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ATTENTION : Accounts Separation for the Jamaica Public Service Company Limited

Dear Sir/Madam :

The Consumer Advisory Committee on Utilities (CACU), thanks you for the opportunity to contribute to the regulatory consultation process.

The CACU, having considered the purpose of the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM), is in full agreement with the proposed guidelines which sets out the Accounts Separation requirements as outlined in Annex A of the NPRM document.

This highlights in part that “Section 46 of the Electricity Act imposes an obligation on JPS to keep the accounts for its generation, transmission, distribution and supply activities separate and distinct from each other and from the accounts kept by it in respect of any other part of its undertaking or business.”

We are of the view therefore, that it should be left for the regulator along with their accountants and auditors to work out the detailed framework under which the separation of the accounts will be operationalized.

The CACU looks forward to further engagement with the Office of Utilities Regulation (OUR) on this and other matters of regulatory importance.

Sincerely yours,

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