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## Resolution 31-2014 Opposition of Orange & Rockland Rate Increase

Whereas, Orange & Rockland Utilities, Inc., (hereinafter "O & R") as a subsidiary of an investor-owned company, must demonstrate profitability to its shareholder; and

Whereas, O&R must very occasionally request from the Public Service Commission (hereinafter "PSC" rate increase in order to sustain said profitability in light of increasing government fees, increasing property taxes, expanding services, inflation, and other variables; and Whereas, the Town of Deerpark Town Board believes that a 6% increase to electric delivery and an 18% increase natural gas delivery is excessive given the financial hardship that many of Deerpark's taxpayers presently face; and

Whereas, the Town of Deerpark Town Board believes that O&R can meet its financial responsibility to its shareholders with a far lower rate increase.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Town of Deerpark Town Board to oppose the O&R rate increase as it presently stands and urges the PSC to limit any increase to a more reasonable and sensitive level; and be it further

**Be It Resolved,** that a copy of the resolution will be sent to the Secretary of NYS Public Service Commission, Assemblyman Karl Brabenec, Senator John Bonacic, and the President of Orange County Association of Towns/Cities/Villages.

Date:	<u>December 31, 2014</u>
Moved by:	Art Trovei 2 <sup>nd</sup> by <u>David Dean</u>
<u>Vote: 3-0</u>	Councilman: Art Trovei Councilman: David Dean Supervisor: Gary Spears
<u>Absent:</u> Ken Sm	nith
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IN WITI	NESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Town of
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	Florence T. Santini, Town Clerk