

# UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

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RESOLUTION NO.: 69-2023

DATE: October 18, 2023

RESOLUTION OF THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY  
AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY'S ADOPTION OF THE PROVISIONS OF  
CHAPTER 48 (N.J.S.A. 52:14.17.38) WITH RESPECT TO ITS  
PARTICIPATION IN THE NEW JERSEY STATE HEALTH BENEFITS  
PROGRAM.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
Bianka Vargas  
Clerk of the Authority

APPROVED AS TO SUFFICIENCY OF FUNDS  
 YES  NO  NONE REQUIRED  
UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: *Bianka Vargas*

By: *John Cuff*

	PRESENT	ABSENT	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	MOTION	SECOND
<b>Eastman, Treasurer</b>	✓		✓				✓
<b>Figueiredo</b>	✓		✓				
<b>Jackus</b>	✓		✓				
<b>Kahn</b>	✓		✓			✓	
<b>Holder</b>	✓				✓		
<b>McManus, Secretary</b>	✓		✓				
<b>Rachlin</b>	✓		✓				
<b>Scutari, Vice Chairperson</b>	✓		✓				
<b>Szpond, Chairperson</b>	✓		✓				
<b>Alma, Alternate No. 1</b>	✓						
<b>Scott-Bey, Alternate No. 2</b>	✓						

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IN THE NEW JERSEY STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Union County Utilities Authority ("Authority") provides medical health insurance benefits to its employees and certain retirees; and

**WHEREAS**, as set forth in Resolution No.68-2023, based on the recommendations of the Authority's health insurance consultant/broker and the PPI Committee, the Authority has elected to participate in the New Jersey State Health Benefits Program ("SHBP") after determining that it can obtain cost-effective health insurance benefits that are equal to or greater than the coverage currently offered by the Authority's existing health insurance plans, by participating in the SHBP; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the recommendations of the Authority's health insurance consultant/broker and the PPI Committee, the Board of Commissioners wishes to authorize the Authority's adoption of the provisions of Chapter 48 (N.J.S.A. 52:14.17.38) in connection with the Authority's participation in the SHBP, to ensure that applicable retirees receive and/or continue to receive health insurance benefits, including prescription drug and dental coverage, in accordance with the SHBP.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Union County Utilities Authority as follows:

1. The aforesaid recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. The Authority authorizes and incorporates herein, as though fully set forth at length, the attached SHBP resolution and form adopting the provisions of Chapter 48 with respect to the Authority's participation in the SHBP.
3. The Authority's hereby authorizes its SHBP Certifying Officer to execute the attached form referenced in paragraph 2 hereinabove.
4. The Authority further authorizes the Acting Executive Director, with the assistance of counsel as deemed necessary, to take all other steps necessary to ensure the Authority's adoption of the provisions of Chapter 48 and provision of the insurance benefits approved by way of this resolution.
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately, and the insurance coverages authorized herein shall be effective as of February 1, 2024.



State Health Benefits Program (SHBP)  
School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP)  
**RESOLUTION**

To be completed by the employing agency's Certifying Officer.

A resolution to adopt the provisions of Chapter 48 (N.J.S.A. 52:14.17.38) under which a public employer may agree to pay for the SHBP and/or SEHBP coverage of certain retirees.

BE IT RESOLVED

1. The Union County Utility Authority 1790-00  
Corporate Name of Employer SHBP/SEHBP Employer Location Number

hereby elects to adopt the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.38 and adhere to the rules and regulations promulgated by the State Health Benefits Commission and School Employees' Health Benefits Commission to implement the provisions of that law.

2. This resolution affects employees as shown on the attached *Chapter 48 Resolution Addendum*. It is effective on the 1st day of February, 2024.  
Month Year

3. We are aware that adoption of this resolution does not free us of the obligation to pay for post-retirement medical benefits of retirees or employees who qualified for those payments under any *Chapter 88 Resolution* or *Chapter 48 Resolution* adopted previously by this governing body.

4. We agree that this resolution will remain in effect until properly amended or revoked with the SHBP and/or SEHBP. We recognize that while we participate with the SHBP and/or SEHBP, we are responsible for providing the payment for post-retirement medical coverage as listed in the attached *Chapter 48 Resolution Addendum* for all employees who qualify for this coverage while this resolution is in force.

5. We understand that we are required to provide the New Jersey Division of Pensions & Benefits (NJDPB) complete copies of all contracts, ordinances, and resolutions that detail post-retirement medical payment obligations we undertake. We also recognize that we may be required to provide the NJDPB with information needed to carry out the terms of this resolution.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution duly adopted by the:

Union County Utility Authority 732-382-9400  
Corporate Name of Employer Phone Number

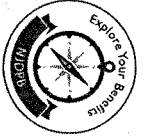
1499 Route 1 Rahway NJ 07065  
Street Address City State Zip Code

Lisa M da Silva Deputy Executive Director LdaSilva@ucua.org  
Print Name Official Title Email Address

Lisa M da Silva 10/19/23  
Signature Date

8 22-2814515  
Number of Employees Employer's State Employer Identification Number (EIN)

Mail Completed Resolution to: **New Jersey Division of Pensions & Benefits  
Health Benefits Bureau  
P.O. Box 299  
Trenton, NJ 08625-0299**  
Email Completed Resolution to: **HBRetired@treas.nj.gov**



State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) and School Employees' Health Benefits Program (SEHBP)  
**CHAPTER 48 RESOLUTION ADDENDUM**

Effective Date of Resolution      /      /      Form to be used for: Medical  Dental  Both

Employer Name Union County Utilities Authority  
Corporate Name for Employer: SHBP/SEHBP Employer Location Number

CLASS OF EMPLOYEES <small>Examples: police officers, clerical workers, bargaining unit (PBA, CWA), nonaligned, or individual(s)</small>	N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.38 Provisions Adopted				Premium Payment Retirees <small>If Yes Show %</small>	Premium Payment Dependents <small>If Yes Show %</small>	Medicare Reimbursement <small>If Yes Show %</small>	Premium Payment Surviving Spouses <small>If Yes Show %</small>	Do Benefits Apply to Current Retirees		If Benefits Do Not Apply To Current Retirees, Give Effective Date
	1) Retired on a Disability Retirement	2) Retired w/25 or + years of service	2a) Number of years service w/employer	3) Retired age 65 + w/25 years service					3a) Number of years service w/employer	4) Retired 62 or older w/15 years or more service w/employer	

Note: An age requirement is not permitted on Provisions 1 or 2; Provisions 3 and 4 already have an age requirement.

     /      /      Date Resolution Submitted  
**Lisa M. daSilva**  
**Deputy Executive Director/**  
**Director of Admin. Services**  
Name of Certifying Officer  
732/382-9400  
Area Code and Phone Number