Dear LIPA Board,

Your very own Adoptions Analysis states that municipalization would result in: “Savings of $65 to $75 million per year compared to PSEG LI contract. Municipal Management is financially feasible and an attractive alternative to the single-source service provider model. This savings can be used for adaptation measures, and investing in clean energy production, and lowering rates.” As specialist in the climate field and life time resident of the island, I believe it is imperative that these bold actions be taken in a swift and timely manner.

To properly represent the public, LIPA’s board must include better representation of critical local stakeholders, from resilience experts to community and environmental advocates. Planning and operations must be informed by robust public participation processes and partnerships with universities and local organizations. I appreciate the ability to provide comments but we need to have a more robust way of engaging to ensure a climate friendly energy future. One way to begin doing this is to end your contract with PSEG-LI closing decades of failed public-private partnerships in LI that have put profit over people.

Thank you