STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD

IN RE: The Narragansett Electric Company Notice of Intent to Relocate Transmission Lines in Providence and East Providence (E-183 115kV Transmission Line Relocation Project – A/C I-195 Relocation)

Docket No. SB-2003-01

CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE'S MOTION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER ENFORCING A PROJECT SCHEDULE

The City of East Providence ("East Providence") hereby mores the Rhode Island Energy Facility Siting Board (the "Board") pursuant to Rule 1.17 for the entry of an order embodying a enforceable project schedule.

In support of the Motion, East Providence submits as follows:

- 1. The Board is well aware that this project has dragged for an inexplicable length of time.
- The Board has recently been instrumental in requesting that a project schedule with certain milestones be supplied by the parties.
- 3. The Board established a timeframe for East Providence to take the lead in suggesting project milestones. Well within that timeframe, East Providence provided forms of orders to National Grid that would embody a project schedule. *See* E-mails dated April 16, 2014 and May 2, 2014, attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.
- 4. The parties finally met on May 15, 2014, to try and put together a project schedule. Once again, East Providence took the lead in trying to establish a project schedule. See E-mail dated May 23, 2014 attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.
- 5. The project schedule suggested by East Providence had construction commencing in April of 2016.

6. On May 28, 2014, National Grid then submitted a project schedule to this Board that adopted many of the milestones suggested by East Providence, but had construction commencing in 2017. See E-mail dated May 28, 2014 attached hereto as **Exhibit C**.

7. As a result, East Providence submitted certain comments that would allow for activities to be done in parallel and certain activities to be undertaken out of sequence in an effort to try and accelerate the construction schedule. *See* East Providence's Comments dated June 3, 2014 attached hereto as **Exhibit D**.

8. At this point, East Providence respectfully requests a hearing for the purpose of entering an order that provides for the following: (i) enforceable milestones; and (ii) the concept of pursuing certain portions of the project in parallel or out of sequence in an effort to accelerate the commencement of construction for this project.

City of East Providence

By its Attorney,

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Dated: June 2, 2014

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Exhibit A

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Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 4:25 PM

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Cc: Patricia Lucarelli (Patricia.Lucarelli@puc.ri.gov); 'asouthgate@providenceri.com';

tchapman@cityofeastprov.com; 'jboyle@cityofeastprov.com'

Subject: Narragansett Electric Company Notice of Intent to Relocate Transmission Lines (E-183

115kV Transmission Line Relocation Project

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Dear Peter:

As pursuant to the directive provided by the Board, I have drafted a form of order for discussion purposes now that we received the most recent response to the record request.

We would like to set up a time to meet with you and the appropriate people from Narragansett to review the order and talk about a realistic project schedule in accord with Dave Campilii's testimony.

Please advise as to availability.

W. Mark Russo

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In accord with the Status Conference that came on for hearing before this Board on March 20, 2014, it is hereby ORDERED:

- 1. This Order is entered pursuant to Section III D of the Settlement Agreement and under the authority of R.I. Gen. Laws §42-98-7. Unless defined herein, all capitalized terms have the same meaning as set forth in the Settlement Agreement.
- 2. Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("Narragansett") shall have up and until May 30, 2014, to circulate a proposed Phase II Schedule ("Project Schedule").
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- 4. The Project Schedule shall be constructed such that it shows Project completion within twenty-four (24) months of the entry of this Order per the timeline testified to by Narragansett in this proceeding.
 - 5. The Project Schedule shall include milestone dates for the following:
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- f. Acquiring other easements and rights, including but limited to an underground easement through India Point Park, a landing site in the City of East Providence, a transition station site and associated transmission line easements in the City of East Providence;
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- h. Reviewing construction estimates based upon bid result;
- i. Constructing the Underground Alignment: and
- j. Removing existing overhead lines and structures.
- 6. The City of Providence ("Providence"), the City of East Providence ("East Providence") and the State of Rhode Island Department of Attorney General (the "Attorney General") shall have thirty (30) days from the service of the Project Schedule to have Narragansett's proposed Project Schedule subject to a peer review by an appropriately experienced consultant selected and engaged by the Cities and the Attorney General.
- 7. The Cities and the Attorney General may utilize money set aside for Phase II funding to pay for professional fees and costs incurred in undertaking the peer review of the proposed Project Schedule.
- 8. Within the thirty (30) day period set forth in Paragraph 6 above, the Cities and the Attorney General shall submit a memorandum to this Board setting forth the results and findings of the peer review. Narragansett shall have ten (10) days to submit a reply memorandum.
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- 10. Based upon the evidence submitted, this Board shall establish a binding Project Schedule, pursuant to Section III D of the Settlement Agreement, to be enforced and

implemented under the oversight of this Board for the construction of the Underground

Alignment and the Philipsdale Tap Relocation in an expedited manner to comply with the overall timeframe set forth in Paragraph 4, above.

11.	In the event Narragansett fails to	comply or the Cities move to compel
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to the option	of appointing a Project Manager to	ensure timely adherence to the Project Schedule.
Enter as an O	Order of this Board this day o	f April, 2014:
		Rhode Island Energy Siting Board By its Members;
		Margaret Curran Dated:
		Janet Coit Dated:
		Kevin Flynn Dated:

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Friday, May 02, 2014 11:59 AM

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Patricia Lucarelli (Patricia.Lucarelli@puc.ri.gov)

Subject:

E-183 Transmission Line - SB-2003-001

Attachments:

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To all:

I have incorporated the initial milestone dates that Peter provided. It is now important to get together to try and finalize this order, so that it can be entered with the goal of having a complete project schedule that has enforceable milestone dates as requested by the Board.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you.

W. Mark Russo

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- 6. Narragansett has provided milestone dates up through 5(b) above, which are now enforceable by this Order. Those milestone dates are as follows:
 - a. Engineering consultant bids due April 23, 2014;
 - b. Sign Contract with Underground Engineering Consultant May 19, 2014;
 - c. Complete Field Work, Investigations, Studies and Calculations for Underground Component (Consultant) August 15, 2014;
 - d. Receive Underground Component Cost Estimates (from Consultant) September 1, 2014;
 - e. Receive Cost Estimates for Other Project Components (from internal teams) September 1, 2014; and
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Enter as an Order of this Board this _____ day of May, 2014:

Rhode Island Energy Siting Board
By its Members;

Margaret Curran
Dated:

Kevin Flynn
Dated:

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Exhibit B

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W. Mark Russo, Esq.

Sent:

Friday, May 23, 2014 5:18 PM

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Subject:

E-183 Transmission Line -- Project Schedule

Attachments:

Project Schedule.docx

To all:

Attached is the schedule as pursuant to our most recent meeting.

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• August 15, 2014 – September 30, 2014

- National Grid to receive underground component cost estimates from consultant on or before September 1, 2014.
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- National Grid to present project cost estimates to parties for review on or before September 30, 2014.
- o Municipalities and Attorney General to engage consultant for peer review
- o Municipalities to advance negotiations for acquisition of property rights.

• September 30, 2014 – November 15, 2014

• Attorney General and Municipalities to peer review and approve construction grade estimate and/or peer review and select alternative routes.

• November 15, 2014 – January 1, 2015

Municipalities and National Grid to acquire necessary property rights.

• <u>January 1, 2015 – January 1, 2016</u>

o National Grid to commence and complete project permitting.

• April 15, 2016

o National Grid to commence construction.

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Exhibit C

From:

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Wednesday, May 28, 2014 3:43 PM

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Karen Lyons

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Subject:

RE: E-183 Transmission Line -- Project Schedule

Attachments:

E-183 Project Schedule (5_27_14).DOCX; ATT00001.txt

Karen et al-

I am attaching a revised schedule for your review. A couple of general comments about the major changes. As I mentioned yesterday, the Settlement Agreement imposes the obligation to obtain property rights on the AG and the municipalities. We have revised the language to reflect this. We thought that 45 days (including Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years was too short a time to accomplish this and have extended the time period through April 1 which is still aggressive. We have increased the permitting period because of concern that the project may require an individual Army Corps permit which could take up to a year and a half. Finally we have added a step for award of the EPC contract for the project which will not happen until permitting is completed. I am available to talk this afternoon and tomorrow but I am also our on Friday.

PVL

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Subject: RE: E-183 Transmission Line -- Project Schedule

Peter

I will be out of the office on Thursday and Friday. In an effort to provide the board with a final version of the schedule by Friday, could you email the parties today with any concerns you have with the current version. Thank you

Karen

Karen Lyons, Esq. Special Assistant Attorney General 150 South Main Street Providence, RI 02903 (401) 274-4400 ext. 2403

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- Attorney General and Municipalities to peer review cost estimate if consultant engaged.
- Attorney General and Municipalities to advise National Grid and EFSB whether all support proceeding with underground project.

• November 15, 2014 - April 1, 2015

o Municipalities to acquire necessary property rights.

• April 1, 2015 - October 1, 2016

• National Grid to commence and complete project permitting, subject to agency schedules.

• <u>December 1, 2016</u>

o National Grid to award EPC contract.

• Spring, 2017

o National Grid to commence construction.

Exhibit D

From:

W. Mark Russo, Esq.

Sent:

Tuesday, June 03, 2014 11:00 AM

To:

Patricia Lucarelli (Patricia.Lucarelli@puc.ri.gov)

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Subject:

E-183 Transmission Line SB-2003-001 - East Providence Comments to Project Schedule

Dear Patti:

East Providence's comments to the Project Schedule submitted by National Grid are as follows:

- 1. As a primary comment, it is absolutely critical that the Project Schedule be incorporated into a Board Order, so that the milestone dates are enforceable subject to modification for good cause;
- 2. Under the second bullet "August 15, 2014-September 30, 2014", East Providence would request a bullet that indicates that the "Municipalities may utilize project funds to advance the acquisition of property rights at the discretion of the Municipalities. In this manner, there is the possibility of advancing property right acquisition, so that the permitting and construction can advance out of sequence"; and
- 3. The footnote on page 2 should read that "The Municipalities have discretion to utilize project funds to advance the acquisition of property rights. If the acquisition of the property rights is advanced, the Board may conduct a hearing for good cause to be shown as to why permitting and the commencement of construction cannot be accelerated or undertaken out of sequence."

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