

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

Order

In accord with the Status Conference that came on for hearing before this Board on October 23, 2013 and December 17, 2013, 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 (“National Grid”) shall have up and until September 30, 2014 to perform utility research, engage appropriate engineering support, and undertake the engineering necessary to prepare a construction grade estimate with +/- 10% accuracy (“Construction Grade Estimate”), have the Construction Grade Estimate reviewed and approved by the parties, and commence detailed engineering that would allow National Grid to commence permitting with agencies including the Rhode Island Energy Facility Siting Board, Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, the Rhode Island Coastal Resource Management Council, the United States Army Corp of Engineers and potentially the Cities of Providence and East Providence (collectively, the Construction Grade Estimate and other engineering set forth herein is defined as the “Project Engineering Work”).
3. The Construction Grade Estimate as part of the Project Engineering Work shall be in 2014 dollars for the Underground Alignment and the Philipsdale Tap Relocation.

4. 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 the option of subjecting the Project Engineering Work to appropriate peer review by an appropriately experienced consultant selected and engaged by the Cities and the Attorney General.

5. National Grid may utilize money set aside for Phase II funding and specifically from interest accrued on the Docket 3617 Refund (approximately \$_____M through December, 2013) (“Accrued Interest”) to undertake the Project Engineering Work. In turn, the Cities and the Attorney General may utilize Accrued Interest to pay for the cost incurred in undertaking a peer review of the proposed Project Engineering Work, as well as professional fees incurred to enforce and monitor the terms and conditions of this Order.

6. National Grid shall have the following, reporting obligations relative to the Project Engineering Work:

- a. National Grid shall notify the Board in writing upon engaging an outside engineering consultant to assist in undertaking the Project Engineering Work. The notification shall include the terms and conditions of the engagement, the scope of work and the schedule for the completion of said work.
- b. Thereafter, National Grid shall report the to the Board and the parties in writing every forty-five (45) days.
- c. The Board shall schedule status hearings every ninety (90) days commencing on January __, 2014.

7. On or before January 15, 2014, the Cities shall submit written memorandum to the Board for the purpose of entering an Order to establish enforceable project milestones for

commencing permitting, completing permitting, acquiring drilling/landing sites in the City of Providence, acquiring other easements and rights for the Underground Alignment, soliciting and awarding material and installation bids for the Underground Alignment, commencing construction, and completing construction of the Underground Alignment. In addition, the Cities shall set forth the status of acquiring land rights and/or easements for the Underground Alignment. Finally, the Cities shall set forth in their memorandum, a proposal to require the study and consideration of alternative alignments, so if the Underground Alignment does not go forward, alternative alignments can be immediately pursued towards completion.

Enter as an Order of this Board this _____ day of December, 2013:

Rhode Island Energy Siting Board
By its Members;

Margaret Curran
Dated:

Janet Coit
Dated:

Kevin Flynn
Dated: