

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
ENERGY FACILITY SITINGBOARD**

INRE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC :
COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL GRID :
E-183 115 kV TRANSMISSION : **DOCKET NO. SB-2003-01**
LINE RELOCATION PROJECT :

**ATTORNEY GENERAL’S RESPONSE TO ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD’S
DATA REQUESTS DATED DECEMBER 3, 2014**

1. Please list any coordinated steps that have been taken by the City of Providence, the City of East Providence, the Attorney General (the Parties), and/or National Grid to comply with Section IID and/or other sections of the Settlement Agreement.

Response 1: The Attorney General respectfully submits the following:

IID 1 A general route was selected by the parties. See EP Exhibit 1. The route has not been finalized and thus there is no consent by the parties.

IID 2-3 Not applicable to the Attorney General.

IID 4 A draft Funding Source Report was circulated among the parties on April 5, 2013. See AG Exhibit 1.

The dates in IID are no longer significant due to superseding legislation R.I.G.L. §42-98-1.1 which in part provides for PUC permission to (1) use pro rata share of the refund accruing to East Providence and Providence ratepayers (2) use up to two million dollars (\$2,000,000) of Narragansett Electric Storm Contingency Fund on petition by the attorney general. In addition, the legislation provides for the incremental costs of the project beyond these identified sources to be incurred by East Providence and Providence ratepayers.

IID 5-8 Not applicable to the Attorney General.

2. Please describe in detail, with associated dates, the steps engaged in by Parties to retain a consultant to review the project cost estimates filed by National Grid on October 21, 2014.

Response 2: On or about October 30, 2014, the Attorney General received a list of potential consultants from the Division. This list was then distributed to counsel for the City of East Providence and the City of Providence. An agreement is currently in circulation for execution.

3. Please provide whether an agreement has been executed to retain an independent expert to review the project cost estimates filed by National Grid on October 21, 2014, and if so provide a copy of that agreement.

Response 3: The signature page of the circulating agreement has been signed by the Attorney General and a copy thereof was sent to Grid counsel.

4. Please provide the cost of the agreement described in data request number 3, above and the time table established by such agreement.

Response 4: Please see EP Exhibit 4.

5. Please provide each Parties' timeline for complying with Section IID of the May 25, 2004 Settlement Agreement.

Response 5: Timelines for Section IID of the Settlement Agreement are moot. The Agreement charges the parties to provide the data "on or before March 1, 2005." R.I.G.L. §42-98-1.1 supersedes the directives of the Agreement for funding purposes.

Please see EP Exhibit 5 for a current project schedule.

6. Please provide copies of all quarterly reports prepared in compliance with Docket No. SB-2003-01, Order No. 54. If no reports are available, please commence reporting as required by the Order to the Energy Facility Siting Board forthwith.

Response 6: To date there have been no quarterly reports submitted by the Attorney General.

7. Please provide a detailed update of each of the Parties' activities related to the current matter since October 22, 2014.

Response 7: The Division provided the Attorney General a list of potential consultants which was then distributed to counsel for the Cities of East Providence and Providence.

8. Please describe in detail the steps that each City has taken to acquire property necessary for this project, include the names and titles of any individuals that have participated in such steps.

Response 8: Not applicable to the Attorney General.

9. Please describe any action taken by the City of Providence with respect to the Singh property, including any discussions, meetings, correspondence, etc.

Response 9: Not applicable to the Attorney General.

National Grid – E-183 Underground Project
Funding Sources and Amounts (as of 12/31/2012)

1. RIDOT - \$5,200,000 as follows:
 - a. Contribution from State matching funds - \$2,100,000.
 - b. Contribution from Federal transportation enhancement funds - \$600,000.
 - c. “Safe, Accountable, Flexible and Efficient Transportation Equity Act of 2005” (“SAFETEA”) grant - \$2,500,000.
 - d. RIDOT’s funding commitment as set forth in §§ II-A-1-b and II-A-1-c hereof is subject to, and contingent upon, the continued availability of SAFETEA grant funding from the Federal Highway Administration (“FHWA”). In the event that the SAFETEA grant is not authorized by the FHWA or said funding is rescinded by act of the U.S. Congress prior to disbursement to National Grid, then RIDOT’s obligations under said §§II-A-1-b and II-A-1-c of this Agreement shall be null, void, and of no effect.
2. Providence and East Providence - Share of refunds from National Grid rate settlement in PUC Docket Nos. 2930/3617 - \$5,792,353 pursuant to §42-98-1.1(a) plus interest accrued at the Company’s Allowance for Funds Used during Construction rates through the in-service date of the project.¹
3. Attorney General - Storm Fund Grant (§42-98-1.1(b))² - \$2,000,000.
4. [City of Providence/DEM - Greenway Grant to Providence - \$375,000.]
5. Regional customers - regional contribution - \$1,500,000 as provided in February 6, 2006 letter from ISO-New England.

Total of highlighted numbers is \$17,175,000. Balance to be paid by electric customers in Providence & East Providence as a surcharge on their bills.

April 5, 2013

¹ See In re Narragansett Electric Company Comprehensive Distribution Rate Settlement, Docket No. 3617, Report and Order, pp. 7, n. 17 and 40 (Order #18037, November 9, 2004). Through December, 2012 accrued interest amounts to approximately \$2.3 million.

² The Storm Fund Grant is subject to PUC approval upon petition of the Attorney General as provided in R.I. Gen. Laws §42-98-1.1(b).