

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

STATUS REPORT OF THE CITY OF EAST PROVIDENCE

The City of East Providence (“East Providence”) respectfully submits this Status Report to the Rhode Island Energy Facility Siting Board (the “Board”) in response to the Board’s request that the parties file updated reports on the status of the E-183 Underground Relocation Project (the “Project”) route by September 25, 2015.

In accordance therewith, East Providence states that the following events have taken place since July 17, 2015:

1. On July 22, 2015, East Providence, Providence, the Attorney General, and National Grid attended a conference held at the offices of Robinson & Cole LLP regarding the underground route for the E-183 transmission line.
2. In the Addendum to the Peer Review Report previously filed, the firm of Haley & Aldrich (“H&A”) proposed alternatives with regard to the underground route for the transmission line that would reduce the risk factors associated with the Project. Those risk factors were understood by East Providence to be risk factors related to cost and not constructability of the Project.
3. During the conference held on July 22nd, National Grid took the position that the alternatives relating to the underground transmission line route, as suggested by H&A, could not

be pursued. In turn, National Grid took the position that the "risk" cited by H&A reflected risk related to constructability.

4. On September 14, 2015, National Grid held a meeting to review the report prepared by National Grid's consultant, Power Engineers in response to the Haley & Aldrich Addendum to the Peer Review Report. That conference was attended by the Cities of East Providence, Providence and the Attorney General's Office. There were a number of issues discussed at the meeting with regard to alignment and the route.

5. At the conclusion of that September 14, 2015 meeting, East Providence and Providence discussed getting the two cities together on or before the week of September 28, 2015, to discuss the route issues that have been reviewed to-date to be able to issue decisions on route and alignment issues.

Respectfully submitted,
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certified that on this 25th day of September, 2015, I filed and serve this document through the e-mail to the following parties:

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