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 PROVIDENCE

The City of Providence ("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 quarterly reports on the status of the E-183 Underground Relocation Project (the "Project").

In accordance therewith, Providence states that the following events have taken place over the past three months:

- 1. On February 29, 2016, legal counsel met with Amar Singh and his attorney David Campanella to discuss an option for the purchase of his property, which has been designated by National Grid as the landing site for the horizontal directional drill.
- 2. Mr. Singh and his attorney will be working with the City on a document in the relatively near term which would include the following: (a) payment of some sort of option fee, likely predicated on the taxes currently assessed on the property plus whatever carrying fee Mr. Singh is sustaining if the property is mortgaged; (b) a time certain by which the option would need to be exercised; and (c) an agreed-upon price if the City were to acquire the property in fee simple.

3. Legal counsel has had no formal response from National Grid as to whether the company will advance the necessary funds for the acquisition of the Singh property without the necessity of obtaining a Siting Board order.

4. To date, there has been no response to the City's August 5, 2015 letter to Director Peter Alviti of the Rhode Island Department of Transportation ("RIDOT"), seeking confirmation that the judgments of the RIDOT engineers made a decade or more earlier, to the effect that utilization of the I-Way and the Washington Bridge would be inappropriate vehicles for conveying the E-183 transmission lines across the two rivers, remained unchanged. The City also enquired about the suitability of the Point Street Bridge for such a purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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