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May 13, 2015

Todd Bianco Siting Board Coordinator Energy Facility Siting Board 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

Re: Docket No. SB-2015-02

In re: The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("TNEC") Notice of Intent to Construct a Loop Line of Less Than 1,000 Feet (Chase Hill Substation Loop Line)

Dear Todd:

I am enclosing for filing an original and five (5) copies of TNEC's responses to the First and Second Sets of Data Requests submitted by the Energy Facility Siting Board in the above referenced matter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing on the enclosed copy of this letter and the response and return them to me. Thank you.

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George W. Watson III

Enclosure

Copy to: Chairperson Margaret E. Curran (via hand delivery)

Janet Coit (via hand delivery) Kevin Flynn (via hand delivery)

Patricia S. Lucarelli, Esq. (via hand delivery)

Service List (via email)

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In re: The Narragansett Electric :

Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

Notice of Intent to Construct a Loop Line

Of Less Than 1,000 Feet (Chase Hill

Substation Loop Line):

ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 1-1</u>: Please provide a description of any community outreach engaged in by National Grid regarding this project.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The Chase Hill Substation went through local zoning proceedings that were eventually appealed to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission. A settlement between the Town of Hopkinton and The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("TNEC") was reached regarding the location and design of the proposed substation. A copy of the Settlement Stipulation dated July 2, 2012 is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>. Before the Settlement Agreement was approved by the Town Council, National Grid presented proposals at the May 7, 2012 and May 21, 2012 Town Council meetings (see Agendas attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>). At the direction of the Town Council, the abutters received notice of the May 7th Town Council meeting and a fact sheet for the proposed substation (the Fact Sheet and Notice are attached hereto as Exhibit C).

One of the conditions of the settlement requires TNEC to "provide periodic updates to the Hopkinton Town Manager as to the progress on design, engineering, permitting and construction of the Substation." Michael Rook, Project Manager, and Paul Stasiuk, National Grid Manager - Community & Customer Management, have met with the Hopkinton Town Manager and Town Planner on several occasions to review the design and engineering for the substation. The next scheduled meeting is May 14, 2015.

In re: The Narragansett Electric :

Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

Notice of Intent to Construct a Loop Line : Of Less Than 1,000 Feet (Chase Hill : Substation Loop Line) :

ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 1-2</u>: Please provide copies of any materials distributed as part of National Grid's community outreach.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The Fact Sheet and Notice (attached as <u>Exhibit C</u>), were provided to the abutters in 2012.

Additional community outreach with the abutters will commence upon confirmation of the final design and the construction schedule. During the construction phase, the project team will provide construction status updates to abutters and municipal officials.

In re: The Narragansett Electric :

Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

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ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 1-3</u>: Please identify how close this construction will occur to a residential area.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: As shown on the map attached as <u>Exhibit D</u>, construction activity for the Loop Line will occur as close as 668 feet from a residential abutter on Ashaway Road and 845 feet from a residence on Chase Hill Road. Residences along Chase Hill Road range from 845 feet to greater than 1,000 feet from the limit of clearing/disturbance for the Loop Line.

As shown on the map attached as <u>Exhibit E</u>, the substation yard will be 736 feet from a residential abutter on Ashaway Road opposite the site driveway, and as far away as 1,444 feet from a residence on Edwards Drive. Residences along Chase Hill Road range from 772 feet to 1257 feet from the substation's fenced yard.

In re: The Narragansett Electric :

Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

Notice of Intent to Construct a Loop Line
Of Less Than 1,000 Feet (Chase Hill
Substation Loop Line):

ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 1-4</u>: Please identify the approximate height of the existing vegetation that will remain as a screen to the four new structures.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The existing forest stands consist of a mix of hardwood species of variable heights, generally maxing out between 60 to 80 feet tall. These forest stands are both on and off of the TNEC property.

For the overall substation project, TNEC will be supplementing the on-site forest stands with approximately 49,000 square feet (±135 shrubs) of evergreen shrub plantings to provide additional vegetative screening between the project activities and abutting residences along Chase Hill Road. Species were selected based upon native status, and suitability for on-site growing conditions.

In re: The Narragansett Electric :

Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

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ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 1-5</u>: Please identify any impact to existing wetlands and how that impact will be mitigated.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: Clearing for the Loop Line will convert 8,760 square feet of forested wetland buffer to shrub habitat southeast of the Loop Line between the existing transmission lines and Ashaway Road.

For the overall substation project, approximately 31,472 square feet of temporary and permanent vegetative clearing within wetlands has been approved by the RIDEM Freshwater Wetlands Program (including Loop Line clearing). Wetland impacts are primarily associated with the driveway for the substation which crosses a wetland between Ashaway Road and the substation site. TNEC incorporated a bridge and retaining walls into the driveway design to minimize wetland impact by spanning much of the wetland and reducing the driveway footprint. Approximately 6,590 square feet (264 native evergreen shrubs) of native shrub plantings were required by RIDEM as mitigation for clearing in wetlands.

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Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

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ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 1-6</u>: Please explain the extent of the tree removal/trimming and identify whether such removal/trimming will have an adverse visual impact on neighbors and/or the environment.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The total tree clearing to accommodate the Loop Line is approximately 74,410 square feet. Clearing limits for the Loop Line will end more than 400 feet from Ashaway Road, and more than 700 feet from the closest residence.

The total area of clearing on-site to accommodate the overall substation project is 177,091 square feet (including Loop Line clearing). As noted in responses to Data Request Nos. 1-4 and 1-5, additional native shrub specimens will be planted within on-site wooded areas between the overall substation project and residences along Chase Hill Road to provide additional screening by supplementing the understory growth.

In re: The Narragansett Electric :

Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

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ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S SECOND SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 2-1</u>: Please state whether or not any residential or commercial property will be affected by the construction of the loop line.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: The construction of the Loop Line will have no impact on neighboring residential or commercial property because the construction area is limited to the parcel that is owned in fee by TNEC.

In re: The Narragansett Electric :

Company d/b/a National Grid : Docket No. SB-2015-2

Notice of Intent to Construct a Loop Line : Of Less Than 1,000 Feet (Chase Hill : Substation Loop Line) :

ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD'S SECOND SET OF DATA REQUESTS TO NATIONAL GRID

<u>DATA REQUEST NO. 2-2</u>: Please identify any impact construction of the loop line will have on the environment or the public health, safety and welfare.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: As is customary with all of TNEC's projects, steps are taken to avoid adverse impacts on the environment or the public health, safety and welfare. To protect the environment, TNEC will implement several measures during construction which will minimize construction impacts. These measures include, but are not limited to, the installation of erosion and sedimentation controls, supervision and inspection of construction activities within resource areas, and minimization of disturbed areas.

TNEC will also incorporate several standard mitigation measures to minimize social resource impacts during construction. Such measures include: locating the substation near an established transmission line ROW; the use of mufflers on all construction equipment; wetting and stabilizing access road surfaces, as necessary; and notifying abutters of planned construction activities.

Finally, TNEC will design, build, and maintain the substation and Loop Line so that the health and safety of the public are protected. This will be accomplished through adherence to all applicable regulations, and industry standards and guidelines established for the protection of the public. Specifically, the project will be designed, built and maintained in accordance with the National Electrical Safety Code. The facilities will be designed in accordance with sound engineering practices using established design codes and guides published by, among others, the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Concrete Institute, and the American National Standards Institute. Following

Response prepared by or under the supervision of Michael Rook, Project Manager

construction, the facility will be clearly marked with warning signs to alert the public of potential hazards.				
For the reasons summarized above, neither the environment nor the public health, safety and welfare will be adversely impacted by the Loop Line construction activities.				
Response prepared by or under the supervision of				

SB-2015-2 The Narragansett Electric Co. – Chase Hill Substation Loop Line Service List as of 4/28/15

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true copy of the within was sent by e-mail to the following on this 13th day of May, 2015.

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EXHIBIT A

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL GRID,

Plaintiff,

V.

THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON; THOMAS: E. BUCK; SYLVIA THOMPSON;

BARBARA CAPALBO; BEVERLY

KENNEY; and WILLIAM FELKNER, in their official capacities as members of the

Hopkinton Town Council,

Defendants.

and : Docket No. 4076

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL GRID,

Plaintiff,

V.

THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON and BRAD: R. WARD, in his official capacity as the Building and Zoning Official of the Town:

of Hopkinton,

Defendants.

SETTLEMENT STIPULATION

I. BACKGROUND

A. The Proposed Substation

1. In order to meet multiple existing and projected feeder, transformer, and distribution supply line loading issues in the Hopkinton, Rhode Island area, The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid") determined that there is a need to install a new 115/12.47 kV substation in Hopkinton (the "Substation").

B. Zoning Amendment

- 2. On March 17, 2009, National Grid applied to the Hopkinton Town Council ("Hopkinton") for an amendment to the Hopkinton Zoning Ordinance (the "Zoning Ordinance") because the Zoning Ordinance did not permit the construction of electric utility facilities such as a substation within Hopkinton in any zoning district. National Grid sought a text amendment to the Zoning Ordinance's District Use Table adding a category ("486-Electric Substation") and a corresponding footnote to the Dimensional Regulations. National Grid's proposal would have made "Electric Substation" use permitted by special-use permit in the RFR-80 zoning district and other zoning districts.
- 3. On July 20, 2009 Hopkinton amended the Zoning Ordinance to include "Electric Substation," but specified that the use would be prohibited in all districts except the Manufacturing zoning district (the "Zoning Amendment"). According to the Zoning Amendment, an Electric Substation must have a 200-foot setback from residential uses, must not cover more than 12% of the property, and must be built on a lot no less than 12 acres.
- 4. On July 24, 2009, National Grid filed a Petition with the Public Utilities Commission (the "PUC") under R.I.G.L. §39-1-30 seeking review and preemption or modification of the Zoning Amendment (the "Petition").
- 5. The PUC docketed the Petition as Docket No. 4076, and held a preliminary hearing in Hopkinton on August 26, 2009 and conducted a site visit on October 20, 2009.

C. Alternative Sites

6. At the request of the PUC, National Grid has examined a number of third-party owned, alternative sites for the Substation that complied with the restrictions in the Zoning Amendment.

- 7. Many of the sites which complied with the Zoning Amendment were occupied by existing facilities and operations. Others were located near the exit 1 and 2 interchanges of Interstate 95. These locations would also require acquisition of a new 200 foot wide right-of-way ("ROW") by purchase or condemnation, in order to construct new transmission tap lines from the existing 115kV transmission line (the "1870 Line") to the site.
- 8. National Grid also examined a number of other sites which, while not complying with the restrictions of the Zoning Amendment, had been suggested by Hopkinton and others.

 These included a site that is owned by National Grid and several sites that are adjacent to or are crossed by the existing 1870 Line ROW.
- 9. Of these, National Grid determined that only the Cook property, on Ashaway Road, Plat 2, Lot 38 (the "Property"), was suitable for the Substation.
 - D. March 2010 Flooding of Westerly Substation
- 10. In March 2010, National Grid's Westerly Substation was flooded and disabled.The disabling of the Westerly Substation caused power outages in both Westerly and Hopkinton.
- 11. Following this flooding incident, National Grid distribution planners studied alternatives for replacing the Westerly Substation. As a result of this analysis, National Grid has determined that the best solution is to install a second transformer at the Substation.

E. Settlement

- 12. National Grid has discussed the potential for locating the Substation on the Property with representatives of the Hopkinton Town Council.
- 13. On May 7, 2012, National Grid presented a summary of its efforts to identify a suitable site for the Substation to the Council at its regular meeting. National Grid also explained its proposal to use the Property as the site for the Substation.

- 14. At its May 7, 2012 meeting, the Council also heard comment and statements about National Grid's proposal from Hopkinton residents.
- 15. At its May 21, 2012 meeting, the Council debated National Grid's proposal and voted unanimously to approve the proposal, subject to the conditions provided herein.
 - 16. The terms of the agreement between Hopkinton and National Grid are as follows.

II. TERMS OF SETTLEMENT

- 1. National Grid may construct the Substation on the Property subject to the following conditions:
 - a. National Grid will use reasonable efforts to locate the Substation towards the rear of the Property, away from Ashaway Road.
 - b. National Grid will locate the Substation so as to maintain a setback of at least fifty (50) feet between the substation fence and the property line along the sides and rear of the Property.
 - c. The footprint of the Substation itself, within the fencing, shall be no greater than approximately one acre.
 - d. National Grid will use reasonable efforts to minimize the clearing of trees on the site in connection with the construction of the Substation, although vegetation will have to be cleared to construct transmission tap lines between the Substation and the existing 115 kV transmission line, the "1870 Line".
 - e. National Grid shall consult with the Hopkinton Planning Board, the town planner, and the abutters to the Property, on the design of screening for the Substation.
 - f. The Substation will have lighting that is illuminated only when personnel are working at the Substation (i.e., it will not be lighted 24/7).
 - g. National Grid shall provide periodic updates to the Hopkinton Town Manager as to the progress on design, engineering, permitting and construction of the Substation.
 - h. National Grid shall make reasonable efforts (i) to use existing transmission poles where possible, and (ii) to minimize large truck traffic where possible.

- 2. In order to allow construction of the Substation on the Property, Hopkinton and National Grid agree that the PUC shall invalidate Hopkinton's July, 2009 zoning amendment only as applied to the Property.
- 3. After the Substation is in service, National Grid shall retire the Ashaway Substation located on Oak Street in Hopkinton and the Hope Valley Substation located on Main Street in Hope Valley.
- 4. As part of the retirement of the Ashaway and Hope Valley Substations, National Grid shall remove the existing equipment on each site.
- 5. Hopkinton will cooperate with National Grid to facilitate National Grid securing the permits, licenses and other approvals required for the Substation.
- 6. In the event that (i) an appeal of, or other challenge to, the settlement of this matter is filed, or (ii) National Grid is unable to obtain all permits or approvals required to construct the Substation at the Property, National Grid shall have the option to nullify and void the Settlement Stipulation upon written notice to Hopkinton.
- 7. In the event the Settlement Stipulation is rendered null and void by paragraph (6), above, National Grid may resume the proceedings before the PUC in this Docket No. 4076.
- 8. If the Settlement Stipulation is not otherwise rendered null and void according to its terms, upon completion of the construction of the Substation on the Property, and fulfillment of the terms of the Settlement Stipulation, the parties shall request that the PUC enter a final order dismissing the case.

III. OTHER MATTERS

- 1. Unless expressly stated herein, the making of this Settlement Stipulation establishes no principles and shall not be deemed to foreclose any party from making any contention in any other proceeding not related to the Substation.
- 2. This Settlement Stipulation is the product of settlement negotiations. The content of those negotiations is privileged and all offers of settlement shall be without prejudice to the position of any party.
- 3. The parties shall file a joint motion with the PUC seeking the PUC's approval of this Settlement Stipulation.
- 4. This Settlement Stipulation is submitted on the condition that it be approved in full by the PUC, and on the further condition that if the PUC does not approve it in its entirety, it shall be deemed withdrawn and shall not constitute a part of the record in any proceeding or used for any purpose.

ASSENTED TO IN FORM AND SUBSTANCE this 2 day of June, 2012:

Town of Hopkinton

By Sylvia K. Thompson,

Council President

The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a

National Grid

Name: Timothy F. Horan

Title: President, Rhode Island

By Its Town Solicitor,

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By its attorneys,

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EXHIBIT B

HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – May 7, 2012 BUSINESS AGENDA

Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833

7:00 P.M. Call to Order – Moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

National Grid Presentation re: Status/Update on Hopkinton Substation location and request for approval.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve Town Council Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2012; Workshop Notes of April 9, 2012; Budget Workshop Notes of February 27, 2012; Set May 21, 2012 as a hearing date for a Special Event Permit filed by Ashaway Pack 1 for a Family Campout at Crandall Field; Set May 21, 2012 as a hearing date for a Special Event Permit filed by Legend's Bar & Grille for Motorcycle Run Fundraiser; Accept the following reports: Finance Director, Chief of Police, Animal Control Official.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC FORUM

TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT

• Ashaway Grange 2012 Community Service Awards

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- Washington County Regional Forum & State House Hearing
- Town Energy Improvements
- Town/Union Contract Negotiations
- TIPS Public Hearing

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion/Vote Re: Resolution to Support Governor Chafee's Municipal Stability Package continued from April 16, 2012.

NEW BUSINESS

Town of Richmond requests re: Chariho Act Revisions:

- 1. Two-year terms for School Committee members and
- 2. Three member representation per Town on School Committee.

South County Tourism Council Award re: Gold & Bronze NATJA Travel Media Competition - Councilor Capalbo.

Award bids:

- 1. Chipseal Overlay
- 2. Winter Sand
- 3. Municipal Waste Removal

Consider scheduling workshop dates throughout spring/summer for a variety of tasks such as Council/Planning Board joint workshop, ordinance review/update, dormant Town Board & Commissions, etc.

PUBLIC FORUM

ADJOURN

If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation by any person, please contact the Town Clerk's Office at 377-7777 (V) or 377-7773 (TDD) at least two (2) business days prior to the meeting.

Posting Details: Town Hall & Police Station Hopkinton Website Secretary of State Website

Posting date: May 4, 2012

HOPKINTON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – May 21, 2012 BUSINESS AGENDA

Town Hall, 1 Town House Road, Hopkinton, RI 02833

7:00 P.M. Call to Order – Moment of silent meditation and a salute to the Flag.

TREE WARDEN APPOINTMENT

Consider appointing Scott E. Ahern as the Town's Tree Warden.

HEARINGS

Render Decision re: National Grid Substation

Discuss/consider National Grid's alternate Hopkinton Substation location presented on May 7, 2012.

MOTION TO SIT AS A LICENSING BOARD

Special Event Permits:

Open a hearing for a Special Event Permit filed by Ashaway Pack 1, Nathaniel Mitkowski, P.O. Box 965, Ashaway, RI 02804 for a Family Campout scheduled for 1:00 PM on June 9 through 10:00 AM on June 10, 2012 at Crandall Field, 188 Main Street, Ashaway sponsored by the Hopkinton Recreation Department, Ashaway Fire Department and Ashaway Ambulance Corp.

Applicant or representative present.

Application complete/consider waivers.

Discussion.

Decision.

Open a hearing for a Special Event Permit filed by Wendy C. Ainsworth for Legend's Bar & Grille, 14 Spring Street, Hope Valley, RI 02832 for a Motorcycle Run Fundraiser to benefit the RI Food Bank in Carolina scheduled for June 3, 2012 from 11:00 AM to approximately 6:00 PM.

Applicant or representative present.

Application complete/consider waivers.

Discussion.

Decision.

MOTION TO ADJOURN AS LICENSING BOARD AND RECONVENE AS COUNCIL

Growth Management Ordinance Amendment

Open a hearing on a proposed amendment to Chapter 159, Section 12 of the Growth Management Ordinance. The proposed amendment would extend the effective date of the current Growth Management Ordinance to December 30, 2022, with Planning Board Review and a recommendation to the Council for its continuance beyond that date, no later than June 30, 2022, introduced and sponsored by Council President Thompson.

Council discussion/public comment.

Motion to continue hearing or close hearing and set date to consider adoption of the ordinance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approve Special Town Council Meeting Minutes of May 9, 2012; FTA Minutes of May 1, 2012; Set June 19, 2012 as the second Town Council Meeting in June to allow attendance at June 18, 2012 Chariho Graduation; Accept the following reports: Town Clerk, Tax Assessor – which includes abatements & supplements.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

PUBLIC FORUM

TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT REPORT

- Status of Senate Bill 2616 & companion House Bill (Dry Lands Bill)
- Thayer House Debt/Revenue
- Waterline Debt/Revenue

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- RI Retirement Security Act of 2011 Seminar
- Collective Bargaining Negotiations
- Town Hall Consolidation Project

OLD BUSINESS

Update on Town Council Workshop schedule.

NEW BUSINESS

Discuss/consider resolution of support re: 2012 Local Farm, Open Space and Recreation Bond Referendum.

Discuss/consider resolution of support re: S-2928.

Consider appointment of alternate Municipal Court Judge.

Consider setting hearing date re: proposed Amendment to Chapter 134, Appendix A. Zoning, Section 27 Signs, introduced & sponsored by Councilor Capalbo.

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Posting Details: Town Hall & Police Station Hopkinton Website Secretary of State Website

Posting date: May 18, 2012

EXHIBIT C



April 24, 2012

Dear Neighbor,

National Grid is proposing to construct a substation on Ashaway Road in Ashaway. The site is located on the southwest side of Ashaway Road (Route 216), south of and adjacent to our existing 115 kV transmission line right of way. The site measures about 16 acres. An aerial view of the area and site is printed on the back of this letter.

The substation will be constructed within a one acre fenced area on the site. We plan to locate it at the rear of the site so that it is generally screened by natural vegetation.

The purpose of the proposed substation is to enable National Grid to continue to provide reliable electric service to its customers in the Hopkinton area.

We are embarking on a series of preliminary activities that include site surveys and investigations. You will periodically observe individuals working in and around this area to obtain information and document conditions. We will make a presentation of our plans to the Hopkinton town council and will provide advanced notice of the date and time of this presentation to you.

Please feel free to call me at 401-784-7991 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Stasiuk

Manager: Community & Customer Management-RI

National Grid 280 Melrose Street Providence, RI 02907 paul.stasiuk@us.ngrid.com



nationalgrid

Meeting Notice

You are invited to attend a presentation by National Grid to the Hopkinton Town Council

regarding National Grid's plans to construct an electric substation on property identified as

Assessors Plat 2, Lot 38. This property is located on the southwest side of Ashaway Road

(Route 216), northwest of the intersection of Chase Hill Road and south of the existing electric

transmission line.

National Grid will make the presentation during the Council's regular meeting, at Town Hall at

7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 7, 2012. As part of its presentation, National Grid will request that

the Town agree with National Grid to settle National Grid's appeal, presently pending before the

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, to allow construction of the substation in the RFR-80

zone.

Questions regarding the May 7 meeting should be directed to Elizabeth Cook-Martin, Hopkinton

Town Clerk at (401) 377-7777.

Questions regarding National Grid's proposal may be directed to Paul Stasiuk, Manager,

Community & Customer Management at (401) 784-7991 or at paul.stasiuk@us.ngrid.com.

April 26, 2012

The Narragansett Electric Company

d/b/a/ NATIONAL GRID

By its attorney,

Peter V. Lacouture, Partner

Robinson & Cole, LLP

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Providence, RI 02903

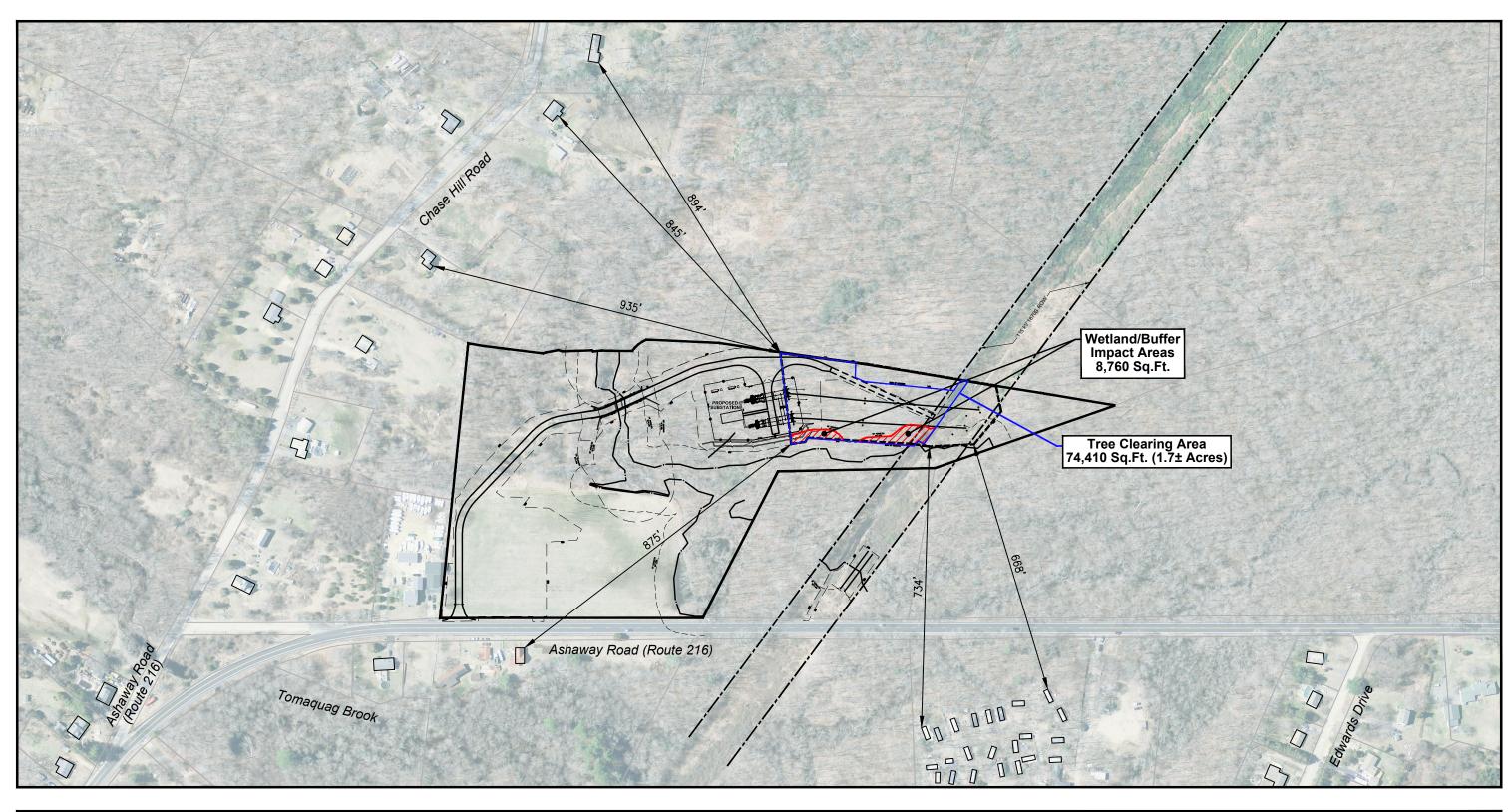
cc: Ms. Elizabeth Cook-Martin, Town Clerk

Patricia A. Buckley, Esq., Town Solicitor

Mr. Paul Stasiuk, National Grid

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EXHIBIT D



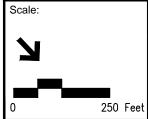
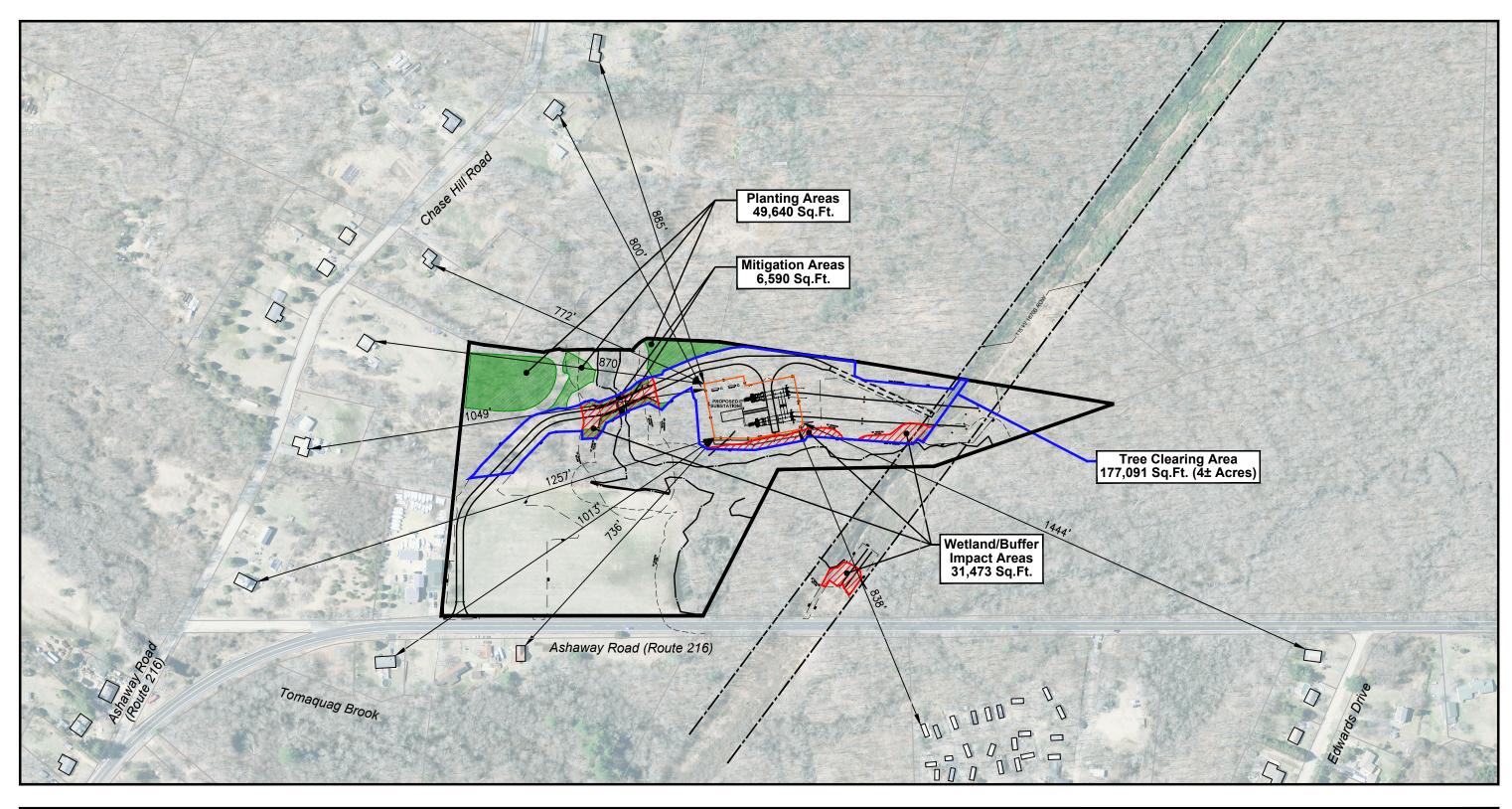


EXHIBIT D CHASE HILL TRANSMISSION LOOP

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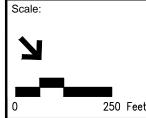


EXHIBIT E CHASE HILL SUBSTATION PROJECT

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