

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING :  
THE ACCEPTANCE OF CREDIT CARDS BY :  
UTILITY COMPANIES – NATIONAL GRID FILING : DOCKET NO. 3569  
TO AMEND THE OPTIONAL TELEPHONE AND :  
WEB PAGE PAYMENT PROVISION AND THE :  
OPTIONAL CREDIT CARD PROVISION :

ORDER

On December 30, 2013, The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid) filed with the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) updated gas and electric tariffs to reflect reduced fees charged directly to customers from a third-party vendor responsible for processing credit card transactions. Gas tariff RIPUC NG-GAS, No. 101B and electric tariff R.I.P.U.C. No. 2041 each reflect a reduction for residential customers from \$2.25 to \$2.00 per transaction and for non-residential customers, a reduction from \$7.95 to \$6.95 per transaction. The effective date of the reduced fees was January 1, 2014. National Grid requested that the PUC find good cause existed to allow the tariff to go into effect with less than thirty days' notice.

At an Open Meeting held on January 16, 2014, the PUC reviewed National Grid's filing and approved the tariff. The PUC finds that because these are costs charged by an unregulated third-party vendor, the charges are reflected in National Grid' tariffs for the purpose of customer notification, and there is a reduction for all affected customers, good cause exists under R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-3-12 to allow the tariff to go into effect with less than thirty days' notice.

Accordingly, it is hereby

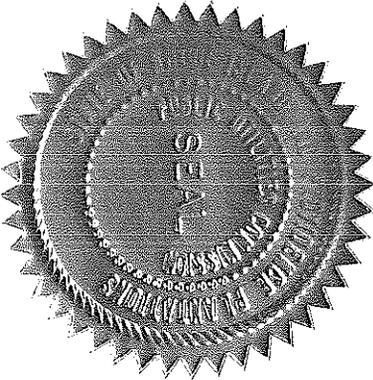
(21406) ORDERED:

1. The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Tariff R.I.P.U.C. No. 2041 is hereby approved.

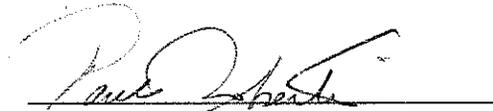
2. The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Tariff RIPUC NG-GAS, No. 101B, Section 7, Schedule C, Sheets 1 and 2, Fourth Revised (Gas) is hereby approved.

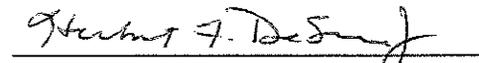
EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION ON JANUARY 16, 2013. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED MARCH 26, 2014.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



  
Margaret E. Curran, Chairperson

  
Paul J. Roberti, Commissioner

  
Herbert F. DeSimone, Jr., Commissioner

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL: Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within seven days from the date of the order, petition the Rhode Island Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or order.