

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC :
COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL GRID : DOCKET NO. 3617
DISTRIBUTION RATE SETTLEMENT :
REQUEST TO EXTEND CUSTOMER CREDIT :

ORDER

WHEREAS, As part of Commission Order No. 18037, on November 1, 2005, Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (“Company”) began refunding to its distribution customers a net credit estimated at \$22,769,000 (“Customer Credit”), the estimate of customers’ share of excess earnings for the period covering calendar year 2000 through calendar year 2004; and

WHEREAS, On May 2, 2005, the Company filed a reconciliation of its earnings for the period covering calendar year 2000 through calendar year 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Company’s earnings resulted in an additional \$4,869,000 available to distribution customers for refund; and

WHEREAS, the Customer Credit was designed to end on October 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the additional \$4,869,000 is sufficient to extend the Customer Credit through December 31, 2005; and

WHEREAS, the Company requested continuation of the Customer Credit through December 31, 2005, with the exception of distribution customers in the Cities of Providence and East Providence pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-98-1.1, which set aside the Customer Credit for those customers to be used for burying the E-183 transmission line; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2005, the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers submitted a Memorandum in support of the Company's filing; and

WHEREAS, at its Open Meeting held on October 26, 2005, the Commission considered and approved the request; and

WHEREAS, the distribution of any funds remaining after December 31, 2005 will be addressed at a later date.

Accordingly, it is hereby

(18459) ORDERED:

1. Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid's Request to Extend the Customer Credit through December 31, 2005 is hereby approved.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING ON OCTOBER 26, 2006. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED NOVEMBER 18, 2005.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Elia Germani, Chairman

Robert B. Holbrook, Commissioner

Mary E. Bray, Commissioner