

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID - TARIFF :
ADVICE FILING TO AMEND : DOCKET NO. 3904
R.I.P.U.C. NO. 1078-A :

COMMISSION DATA REQUESTS DIRECTED TO
NATIONAL GRID
JANUARY 4, 2008

1. Why has NGrid proposed a maximum aggregate amount of net metering of 5MW in proposed Tariff R.I.P.U.C. 2006, Part III.B.(2) where the statute indicates that 5MW is a minimum?
2. How many renewable projects at 25kVA or below are currently served under Tariff R.I.P.U.C. No. 1078-A? What is the aggregate amount of net metering of these projects?
3. How many additional existing projects does NGrid anticipate will qualify for the proposed Tariff RIPUC No. 2006, Part III.B as a result of the eligibility increase from 25kVA to 1 MW? What is the anticipated aggregate amount of net metering for these projects?
4. How many existing projects owned by RI cities/towns or Narragansett Bay Commission ("NBC") does NGrid anticipate will qualify for the proposed Tariff R.I.P.U.C. No. 2006, Part III.B as a result of the 1.65 MW limit? What is the anticipated aggregate amount of net metering for these projects?
5. How does the economic transaction between the customer served under Part III.B of R.I.P.U.C. No. 1078-A and proposed R.I.P.U.C. Tariff 2006 occur (please identify wholesale and retail transactions).
6. How does the economic transaction between NGrid and other third parties occur once NGrid acquires the electricity?
7. Referring to Section III.B (5) of the proposed Tariff R.I.P.U.C. No. 2006, stating "the distribution portion of any renewable credits and the distribution portion of any distribution company delivery charges displaced by renewable energy systems subject to Section III.B shall be aggregated on an annual basis by the Company and recovered from all customers through a uniform per kWh surcharge." How will the Company measure the charges to be collected from all customers? Will those charges also be collected from customers served under the above-referenced Tariff?

8. Please identify other retail rate tariffs, if any, that will be affected by the changes made to R.I.G.L. § 39-26-6(g) and (h). For example, will the exemption for renewable on-site generation listed in R.I.P.U.C. No. 1172 be affected? If so, why and if not, why not?
9. Referring to the Second Amended Stipulation and Settlement in Docket No. 3617 (2004 Distribution Rate Plan), Section 16(B), relating to certain exemptions from backup rates, states that “for purposes of determining whether the [current] 3 MW limit has been met, on-site generation installations 25kVA or smaller that are eligible for net metering shall not be included.” How do the proposed tariff changes affect that section, if at all? If the section is not affected, please explain why not.
10. Referring to Footnote 1 on Sheet 7 of the redlined proposed Tariff R.I.P.U.C. No. 2006, discussing the generation credits, assuming the Tariff is approved for effect February 1, 2008, could the first netting period be 22 months long? Why has the Company proposed this change? What is the effect on a customer served under the proposed Tariff?