

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET No. 4029

**In re: Issuance of Advisory Opinion to the
Energy Facility Siting Board Regarding
Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National
Grid's Application to Construct and Alter Major
Energy Facilities**

**NOTICE OF INTERVENTION
OF THE TOWN OF
JOHNSTON**

Pursuant to Section 17 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, the Town of Johnston (the "Town") hereby files its Notice of Intervention with the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC"). In support of the Town's Notice of Intervention the Town states the following:

1. The Town is a municipal corporation within the State of Rhode Island.
2. The PUC opened this docket with the purpose of providing an advisory opinion to the Rhode Island Energy Facilities Siting Board (pursuant to the December 19, 2008 Notice of Designation to an Agency to Render an Advisory Opinion) regarding the proposal of Narragansett Electric Company ("Narragansett Electric") to relocate and construct two existing 115 kV transmission lines, construct a new 345kV transmission line, install equipment, reconductor existing transmission lines and relocate short segments of existing transmission lines to accommodate equipment additions in the Town of Johnston, along with municipalities such as Cranston, North Smithfield, Smithfield, Warwick, and West Warwick (the "Project").
3. Pursuant to the Notice of Public Hearing, setting forth a procedural schedule dated January 23, 2009, the Town files its Notice of Intervention as a party at this time in order to adequately represent and protect its interests in this proceeding. The Town is substantially and specifically affected by this proceeding, because said plan will impact not only the Town's Comprehensive Plan, but also economic development and the overall safety and welfare of the citizens of the Johnston community. The Application under review concerns construction of new transmission capacity and upgrading of existing transmission facilities, as referenced in

paragraph 2 above, and in its Application, Narragansett Electric asserts that the Project will improve the reliability and stability of the electrical transmission system in Rhode Island. Because the Project will have great consequences to the Town of Johnston, its economic development, and the well-being of its citizens, The Town should be allowed to intervene as no other party can adequately represent the Town's interests in this regard.

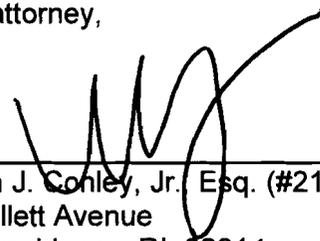
4. This proceeding affects the Town's interests as described above, and the Town's interest in this matter cannot be adequately addressed or represented by any other party. Further, the Town's participation in this proceeding as a party may help ensure the development of a comprehensive record, while affording the Town the opportunity to maximize its ability to fulfill its obligations as noted above.

5. The Town's intention currently is to participate in this proceeding primarily by presentation of testimony or other relevant evidence, or issuing or responding to discovery and by filing briefs and comments, as may be appropriate. The Town requests that copies of all materials filed in this docket be served on the Town as specified in paragraph 6 below.

6. All communications and correspondence for this proceeding should be directed to the undersigned solicitor for the Town of Johnston.

WHEREFORE, the Town of Johnston requests that it be permitted to intervene in these proceedings as a party.

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Dated: February 10, 2009

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that on the 10th day of February, 2009, I have served the foregoing document upon all of the parties of record in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of Section 1.7(d) of the Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Dated at East Providence, Rhode Island.

