

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: REVIEW OF AMENDED POWER :
PURCHASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN :
NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY : DOCKET NO. 4185
D/B/A NATIONAL GRID AND DEEPWATER :
WIND BLOCK ISLAND, LLC PURSUANT TO :
R.I. GEN. LAWS § 39-26.1-7 :

**NOTICE OF FILING, INTERVENTION DEADLINE, PRELIMINARY PROCEDURAL
SCHEDULE, ADMINISTRATIVE NOTICE, AND STANDARDS FOR FILINGS**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Rhode Island General Laws §§ 39-1 et seq., 39-3 et seq., and 39-26.1-7, as amended by 2010 R.I. Pub. Laws 31 and 32 (Senate Bill 2819 Sub A as amended and House Bill 8083 Sub A as amended), the Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) hereby gives notice that it expects an amended Power Purchase Agreement entered into between Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (“National Grid”) and Deepwater Wind Block Island, LLC (“Deepwater”) to be filed **on or about June 30, 2010** (“Amended PPA”).

In this docket, the Commission will examine the Amended PPA pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.1-7. In this filing, the Commission is required to review the Amended PPA and issue an order approving or rejecting it within forty-five (45) days of filing. If approved, various costs under the contract will be recovered from ratepayers of National Grid and Block Island Power Company in accordance with future Commission decisions under R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.1 et seq. and R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-3-11.

Parties to Commission Docket No. 4111 may intervene as a matter of right under R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.1-7(b) but are requested to give the Commission notice of such intent through the party’s attorney along with a representation of whether the party is expecting to sponsor a witness. The Commission shall allow other interventions on an expedited basis, provided the movant complies with the standards set forth in Commission Rule of Practice and Procedure 1.13. **The deadline for filing Motions to Intervene is July 6, 2010 or three business days following the filing date, whichever is later.**

R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.1-7(c)(iv) requires the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation (“EDC”) and the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (“DEM”) to file certain advisory opinions with the Commission within twenty (20) days of the filing. The Commission reserves the right to request the advisory agency to provide a witness to respond to questions regarding the advisory opinion.

In this docket, the Commission gives notice pursuant to Commission Rule of Practice and Procedure 1.22(c) that it will take Administrative Notice of all documents and testimony in Docket No. 4111. Any objections shall be filed by **July 6, 2010 or three business days after the filing date** and shall include the specific documents or testimony to which the objection is being made.

The following represents a **preliminary** procedural schedule, subject to change in the event the Amended PPA is filed after June 30, 2010:

- July 6, 2010 Notices of Intervention by parties to Docket No. 4111
- July 6, 2010 Motions to Intervene for new parties
- July 8, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. Objections or stipulations by former Docket No. 4111 parties to Motions to Intervene
- July 9, 2010 Open Meeting at a time to be determined to rule on Motions to Intervene and any objections to Administrative Notice
- July 15, 2010 Filing of Direct Testimony by parties to Docket No. 4111
- July 20, 2010 Filing of Direct Testimony by new parties and EDC; Filing of Advisory Opinions by EDC and DEM.
- July 22, 2010 (Tentative) Public Comment hearings in New Shoreham and Warwick (final date and time to be noticed separately)
- July 26-28, 2010 (Tentative) Evidentiary Hearings for the purposes of taking Rebuttal Testimony at Commission's offices (final dates and times to be noticed separately)
- August 2-4, 2010 (Tentative) Evidentiary Hearings for purposes of conducting Cross-Examination of witnesses (final dates and times to be noticed separately)
- August 11, 2010 (Tentative) Open Meeting Decision (date and time to be noticed separately)
- August 16, 2010 (Tentative) Issuance of Written Decision

An original and 12 copies of all documents shall be filed with Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk, 89 Jefferson Blvd, Warwick, Rhode Island 02888 and all copies shall be double sided and three-hole punched where practical. All copies of color documents shall be provided in color. Upon filing hard copies with the Commission parties to the Docket shall also provide electronic copies to the service list maintained by Ms. Massaro as posted on the Commission's website. All hard copies shall be filed by 4:00 p.m. on the date of filing unless otherwise noted. Any filing made after 4:00 p.m. will be considered untimely and subject to Commission ruling.

A Pre-hearing conference will be scheduled as soon as practicable after the Commission rules on Motions to Intervene to finalize the schedule and address outstanding procedural issues.

Once filed, the filing may be examined at the Commission's office and at the office of National Grid, 280 Melrose Street, Providence, Rhode Island. The filing can be accessed at www.ripuc.org, under the Commission Docket Menu, Docket No. 4185. The Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure are also available on the Commission's website.

Reference is made to Chapters 42-35, 39-1, 39-3, and 39-26.1 of the Rhode Island General Laws. The Public Utilities Commission is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's office at 941-4500, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
June 24, 2010