STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS **PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

DOCKET NO. 4226

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID'S PROPOSED 2011 ANNUAL RETAIL RATE FILING AND 2011 RENEWABLE ENERGY CHARGE FILING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of Sections 39-1-1 and 39-3-11 of the General Laws, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") will conduct a public hearing on <u>Tuesday, March</u> 29, 2011 @ 9:30 A.M. in Hearing Room A of the Public Utilities Commission, located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required.

In this docket, the Commission will examine National Grid's proposal to implement rate changes contained in the Company's 2011 Annual Retail Rate Filing and 2011 Renewable Energy Standard ("RES") Charge Filing effective April 1, 2011. The Company's filings propose rate changes that arise out the reconciliation of the Company's Standard Offer Service, transmission expenses pursuant to its Transmission Service Cost Adjustment Provision, the calculation of its transition charge pursuant to its Non-Bypassable Transition Charge Adjustment Provision and calculation of the RES Charge. The tariff provisions provide for the reconciliation and recovery of actual revenues and expenses incurred by the Company for the period January 2010 through December 2010 and estimated revenues and expenses projected to be incurred from April 1, 2011 through March 31, 2012. The combined net impact of the proposed rate changes on a typical residential customer using 500 kWh per month is a decrease of \$2.13 from \$83.09 to \$80.96 or approximately 2.6%. The Commission may approve different rates that may be higher or lower than that proposed by National Grid.

The proposals may be examined at the Commission's office and at the office of the National Grid, 280 Melrose Street, Providence, Rhode Island. The filing can also be accessed under the Commission's Docket Menu at <u>www.ripuc.org</u>, Docket No. 4226. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk March 18, 2011