

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

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID'S PROPOSED CONTACT VOLTAGE PROGRAM  
DOCKET NO. 4237

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to R.I.G.L. §§39-1-1 and 39-3-11, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") will conduct a hearing on **September 24, 2012 @ 9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A of the Public Utilities Commission, located at 89 Jefferson Blvd, Warwick, R.I.

In this docket, the Commission will examine the propriety of a filing by Narragansett Electric d/b/a National Grid seeking approval of Proposed Contact Voltage Program ("CVP") filed pursuant to recently enacted CVP Statute, R.I.G.L. §39-2-25. The proposed CVP implements procedures for the detection of contact voltage on publicly accessible surfaces, designates contact voltage risks areas, establishes voltage levels for testing, maintenance and repair, establishes a schedule to conduct surveys of the Company's assets and facilities in designated contact voltage risk areas, and establishes contact voltage reporting requirements. The CVP statute provides that the costs of the Company's CVP be recovered through of a fully reconciling mechanism to be filed annually. Thus, National Grid proposes to reconcile and recover the CVP costs through rates. Approval of National Grid's CVP will not set or amend existing retail rates at this time; however, it may have an effect on the retail rates that are ultimately filed for the period commencing October 1, 2013.

The proposal may be examined at the Commission's office and at the office of National Grid, 280 Melrose Street, Providence, RI. The filing can also be accessed under the Commission's Docket Menu at [www.ripuc.org](http://www.ripuc.org), Docket No. 4237. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the RI General Laws.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
September 14, 2012