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**DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

December 5, 2018

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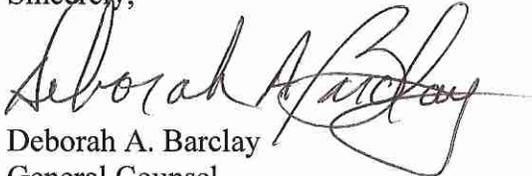
**Re: Docket 4290 - Department of Human Services Proposed LIHEAP Enhancement  
Charge for Calendar Year 2019  
Responses to PUC Data Requests – Set 2**

Dear Ms. Massaro,

Enclosed please find ten (10) copies of the RI Department of Human Services responses to the Second Set of Data Requests issued by the Public Utilities Commission in the above referenced matter.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, please contact me at 401-461-6816.

Sincerely,

  
Deborah A. Barclay  
General Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Docket 4290 Service List



## RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

### Responses to Data Requests:

IN RE: DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES :  
PROPOSED LIHEAP ENHANCEMENT : DOCKET 4290  
CHARGE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2019

### COMMISSION'S SECOND SET OF DATA REQUESTS DIRECTED TO DHS

Issued November 20, 2018

(Please respond by December 3, 2018 if possible)

#### Request 2-1

R.I. Gen Laws §39-1-27.12(c)(3) provides: "A minimum of five percent (5%) shall be allocated to provide assistance to customers who are seeking LIHEAP certification for the sole purpose of entering into an arrearage plan as defined in § [39-2-1\(d\)\(2\)](#) between April 15 and September 30 of each year. Such customers must be a homeless family or individual transitioning from a shelter into housing and who have provided documentation acceptable to the department of human services. Any funds remaining at the end of the fiscal year shall be available for the upcoming winter season."

Please provide documentation as to:

- a) The amount allocated to provide assistance to customers who were seeking LIHEAP certification for the sole purpose of entering into an arrearage plan between April 15 and September 30.
- b) The amount of funding granted to this subset of customers.
- c) The amount of funding carried over that will be available for this subset of customers for the upcoming winter season.
- d) If no funds were allocated to the subset of customers discussed above, please explain why.

#### RI Department of Human Services Responses to Data Request:

**No requests for funds were received for this subset of customers, and so no funds were distributed.**

**The department will contact the RI Coalition for the Homeless to understand why this provision is not being used and to ascertain how more people might benefit from it.**

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and any materials accompanying this certificate was electronically transmitted to the individuals listed below.

The paper copies of this filing are being hand-delivered to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and to the Rhode Island Division of Utilities and Carriers.

  
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 Frederick J. Sneesby

December 5, 2018  
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**Docket No. 4290 – Office of Energy Resources – LIHEAP Enhancement Charge Filing  
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