

March 19, 2012

#### VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

RE: Docket 4308 - Tariff Advice Filing for Approval of Long-Term Contracting For Renewable Energy Recovery Provision and to Amend R.I.P.U.C. No. 2036, Transmission Service Cost Adjustment Provision; and Application for Approval of Long-Term Contracting for Renewable Energy Recovery Factor Responses to Commission Data Requests – Set 3

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed are National Grid's<sup>1</sup> responses to the Commission's Third Set of Data Requests in the above-captioned proceeding.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me at (401) 784-7288.

Very truly yours,

Jennifer Brooks Hutchinson

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**Enclosures** 

Cc:

Docket 4308 Service List Steve Scialabba, Division Jon Hagopian, Esq.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid" or the "Company").

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I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and / or any materials accompanying this certificate has been electronically transmitted, sent via U.S. mail or hand-delivered to the individuals listed below.

Joanne M. Scanlon

March 19, 2012

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#### Commission 3-1

# Request:

Referencing National Grid's Response to Division Data Request 1-6, including the public version of bills received from Hinckley, Allen & Snyder, LLP, please explain why the Invoice Dates listed in the response do not exactly match those invoices produced.

# Response:

The Invoice Dates for the Hinckley, Allen & Snyder, LLP ("HAS") legal invoices listed in the Company's response to Division Data Request 1-6 reflect the dates the Company received the legal invoice, which in some instances differed from the HAS invoice dates. The updated table below provides a list of the HAS invoices, including the invoice number and the corresponding invoice date, along with the total amount paid by the Company on the invoice.

Matter Name: TNEC/Deepwater Appeal

Matter Number: 052217

Firm: Hinckley Allen & Snyder LLP

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Total \$
843849	9/21/2010	\$1,965.80
845810	10/12/2010	\$3,402.45
848837	11/9/2010	\$10,705.05
852472	12/14/2010	\$4,544.82
856641	1/28/2011	\$20,694.32
858256	2/11/2011	\$23,931.94 <sup>1</sup>
861596	3/14/2011	\$4,770.30
862087	3/17/2011	\$1,541.25
865163	4/20/2011	\$12,054.76
875963	8/11/2011	$$10,882.80^{2}$
876554	8/17/2011	\$3,741.19
876759	8/22/2011	$$763.02^{3}$
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\$98,997.70

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Invoice total reflects a fee adjustment of \$186.00 and an expense adjustment of \$0.02.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Invoice total reflects a fee adjustment of \$0.03.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Invoice total reflects a fee adjustment of \$0.01.

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Matter Name: TNEC/Deepwater PPA Procedural Matters

Matter Number: 052216

Firm: Hinckley Allen & Snyder LLP

Firm Name	Invoice Number	Date Received	Total \$
Hinckley Allen & Snyder LLP	841401	8/31/2010	\$37,001.75 <sup>4</sup>
Hinckley Allen & Snyder LLP	843847	9/21/2010	\$1,158.44 <sup>5</sup>
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\$38,160.19

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Invoice total reflects a fee adjustment of \$252.00 and an expense adjustment of \$0.02. <sup>5</sup> Invoice total reflects a fee adjustment of \$340.20 and an expense adjustment of \$3.76.

## Commission 3-2

### Request:

Referencing National Grid's Response to Division Data Request 1-6, including the public version of bills received from Hinckley, Allen & Snyder LLP, please explain why the Invoice Total \$ listed in the response do not exactly match those invoices produced.

#### Response:

The Hinckley, Allen & Snyder, LLP ("HAS") invoice totals listed in the Company's response to Division Data Request 1-6 reflect certain adjustments made by the Company to the original HAS invoice amounts. See the Company's response to Commission 3-1 for an explanation of these invoice adjustments.

#### Commission 3-3

### Request:

Referencing National Grid's Response to Division Data Request 1-6, including the public version of bills received from Hinckley Allen & Snyder LLP, please explain why the entries listed on the invoice dated February 11, 2011 are all listed twice.

### Response:

The total amount of time and dollar amount billed on the February 11, 2011 invoice is accurate. The duplicate entries resulted from an internal error in the processing of the bill. National Grid and Deepwater Wind Block Island, LLC (Block Island") jointly engaged Hinckley, Allen & Snyder, LLP ("HAS") to perform the work on this matter. The time entered by HAS attorneys was split in the billing system and allocated to both National Grid and Deepwater. During the processing of the February 11, 2011 invoice, the attorney time was inadvertently split into quarters instead of halves. When the invoices were produced with double entries (representing the two quarters attributable to each client), the decision was made not to create new invoices to eliminate the double entries because the total hours and dollars on the invoices was correct.

#### Commission 3-4

### Request:

Referencing National Grid's Response to Division Data Request 1-6, including the public version of bills received from Hinckley Allen & Snyder LLP, please explain why the Invoice dated March 17, 2011 contains two entries identical in description but transposed in time to those listed on an August 31, 2010 Invoice in a separate matter.

### Response:

The entries on the March 17, 2011 invoice represent time spent during the time period otherwise covered by the August 31, 2010 invoice. The time billed on the March 17, 2011 invoice was not captured and billed until March 17, 2011 because the attorney performing the work originally billed the time to a different National Grid matter. HAS later billed the time to the correct matter reflected in the March invoice and removed those charges from the other matter.