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

## IN RE: NATIONAL GRID'S REVISED REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR LONG-TERM CONTRACTS FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS – DOCKET NO. 4316

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I.G.L. § § 39-1, 39-3 and 39-26.1 *et seq*, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") will conduct a public hearing on <u>Wednesday, May</u> <u>30, 2012 @ 9:30 AM.</u> in Hearing Room A of the Commission's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.

At this hearing, the Commission will examine the propriety of a filing by National Grid seeking approval of a Revised Request for Proposal ("RFP") to be used to solicit proposals from renewable energy developers in accordance with the R.I.G.L. § 39-26.1-3 and the Rules and Regulations Governing Long-Term Contracting Standards for Renewable Energy (collectively, the "Regulations"). The Revised RFP includes changes to the timetable and method for bid solicitation and execution of long-term contracts that are filed pursuant to the Regulations. The revisions are intended to incorporate recently enacted Net Metering Provision of the Renewable Energy Standard, R.I.G.L. § 39-26.4-1 *et seq.*, and the Distributed Generation Standard Contracts Act, R.I.G.L. § 39-26-.2-1 *et seq.* 

The filing is available for examination 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. 4316. 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, May 20, 2012