

October 5, 2012

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

> RE: Docket 4339 - 2012 Distribution Adjustment Charge ("DAC") **Response to Commission 1-11**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed is National Grid's response to Commission 1-11 issued in the above-referenced proceeding.

Please be advised that this transmittal completes the Company's response to the Commission's First Set of Data Requests.

Thank you for your attention to this transmittal. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (401) 784-7685.

Very truly yours,

Thomas R. Teehan

Enclosure

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The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid R.I.P.U.C. Docket No. 4339 2012 Distribution Adjustment Charge Filing Responses to Commission's First Set of Data Requests Issued on September 14, 2012

Commission 1-11

Request:

What is the current funding percentage of the Company's pension plan? Was the Pension shortfall identified previously eliminated?

Response:

The funding percentage for the Narragansett Gas pension plan as of the Company's March 31, 2012 fiscal year end is 81 percent (Plan assets of \$171.5 million divided by the Projected Benefit Obligation of \$211.5 million).

The Company resolved the matters raised by the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (Division) regarding pension and PBOP funding in the Company's 2011 Distribution Adjustment Clause proceeding (Docket No. 4269). Included as Attachment Commission 1-11 is a letter from the Company to the Division expressing its commitment to address the matters raised by the Division, and a description of the process that the Company is following for ongoing funding of the pension and PBOP plans. In addition, as committed to in the letter, the Company made contributions to the plans totaling \$10,415,000 on December 28, 2011. Support for these contributions and all other contributions to the plans made by the Company during the 12 months ended June 30, 2012 were provided as an attachment to the Company's response to request Division 2-3.