

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT	:	
REQUEST TO USE FUNDS FROM	:	DOCKET NO. 4341
THE STORM RESERVE FUND	:	

ORDER

On December 8, 2018, Pascoag Utility District (Pascoag) filed a request seeking Public Utilities Commission (PUC or Commission) approval to use \$19,643.50 from its Storm Reserve Fund for incremental expenses incurred during a rain and wind storm on October 29, 2017.¹ The storm caused trees and wires to come down, resulting in power outages. Pascoag's request is consistent with Section ID of the Settlement Agreement approved by the Commission in Order No. 20977 issued on February 28, 2013.² The Settlement Agreement allowed Pascoag to establish the Storm Reserve Fund, with an annual funding allowance of \$20,000, to be used when Pascoag incurs significant, incremental storm-related costs. The Settlement Agreement provides that qualifying incremental costs must exceed \$4,000 and are subject to a \$2,500 deductible. Pascoag provided documentation of \$22,143.50 in costs for labor, materials, and food. After disbursement, the balance in Pascoag's Storm Fund will be \$65,850.50.

The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (Division) filed a memorandum on January 12, 2018. The Division recommended approval of Pascoag's request.

At an Open Meeting on February 2, 2018, the PUC approved Pascoag's request to use money from its Storm Reserve Fund, finding it appropriate and consistent with the

¹ All filings in this docket are available at the PUC offices located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island or at <http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4341page.html>.

² See PUC Order No. 20977 (Feb. 28, 2013) (Docket No. 4341); [http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4341-Pascoag-Ord20977\(2-28-13\).pdf](http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4341-Pascoag-Ord20977(2-28-13).pdf).

terms of the Settlement Agreement. The Commission recognizes Pascoag's diligent and continued efforts for the benefit of its customers.

Accordingly, it is hereby

(23034) ORDERED:

Pascoag Utility District's request to use \$19,643.50 from its Storm Reserve Fund is hereby approved.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND, FEBRUARY 2, 2018
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED
FEBRUARY 15, 2018.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



Margaret E. Curran, Chairperson

Marion Gold, Commissioner

Abigail Anthony, Commissioner

NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL: Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within seven days from the date of the order, petition the Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or order.