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Luly Massaro, Clerk  
Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, RI 02888

Re: Block Island Power Company – Net Metering – Docket No. 4387

Dear Luly:

As you know, this office represents Block Island Power Company (BIPCo).

Enclosed are an original and nine copies of BIPCo's responses to the Commission's 2<sup>nd</sup> set of data requests. Copies have been sent to the service list by electronic mail.

If you have any questions or you need any further information, please do not hesitate to call.

Very truly yours,



Michael R. McElroy

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cc: Service List  
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# Block Island Power Company

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Reply to the Public Utilities Commission 2nd Set of Data Requests re: Block Island Power Company's Net Metering Policy, Docket No. 4387:

2-1 Please provide a copy of three consecutive months of a net metering customer's bill where at least the first month has excess net metering credits recorded. The account number and identifying information should be redacted.

*See attached.*

2-2 If there is no customer account that fits within the above request 2-1, please provide two months of a net metering customer's bill with the account number and identifying information redacted.

*Satisfied at 2-1*

2-3 What charges on the bill are subject to the net metering credit up to 100%?

*The energy and fuel surcharge are subject to the net metering credit up to 100%.*

2-4 What charges on the bill are subject to the excess renewable net metering credits between 100% and 125%?

*The fuel surcharge is the charge subject to the excess renewable net metering credits between 100% and 125%.*

2-5 Please indicate whether any of the renewable net metering systems have produced in excess of the 100% of a customer's annual usage based on the previous three years. For each of these, please indicate whether they have produced in excess of 125%. If the information is not available, please explain why.

*Please see below. It appears that installation #13 and installation #16 produced in excess of 125%. The other installations did not produce in excess of 100%. Please note that many installations, as previously indicated, were registered in 2013, limiting the amount of information available. Usage as defined here is the amount of electricity delivered from BIPCo's distribution system after the power needs of the installation's property are satisfied. The amount of electricity used at the installation site is not measured.*

|    | fy2014used | fy2014pro | fy2013used | fy2013pro | fy2012used | fy2012pro |
|----|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| 1  | 2652       | 683       |            |           |            |           |
| 2  | 5497       | 508       |            |           |            |           |
| 3  | 142        | 0         |            |           |            |           |
| 4  | 5657       | 1375      |            |           |            |           |
| 5  | 8199       | 3953      |            |           |            |           |
| 6  | 2942       | 1980      | 2942       | 2298      | 1187       | 1559      |
| 7  | 1823       | 53        |            |           |            |           |
| 8  | 3148       | 2169      |            |           |            |           |
| 9  | 6097       | 232       |            |           |            |           |
| 10 | 4042       | 1267      |            |           |            |           |
| 11 | 2202       | 1385      | 3068       | 1191      | 2706       | 545       |
| 12 | 3174       | 1722      | 3412       | 1598      | 1981       | 941       |
| 13 | 1336       | 2080      |            |           |            |           |
| 14 | 3177       | 1070      |            |           |            |           |
| 15 | 7712       | 1035      |            |           |            |           |
| 16 | 1840       | 2423      | 456        | 918       |            |           |

2-6 BIPCo has indicated that the current policy has resulted in minimal financial impact on the ratepayers and the utility. Please indicate the point at which BIPCo would need to file a tariff to recover lost revenues resulting from its net metering policy.

*Based on the current year lost revenue from the net-metering program, BIPCo would not have to file for rate relief to address this specific item. The current lost revenue and net metering credit represents less than 1% of BIPCo's electrical sales. However, if the growth in the number of new net-metering customers continues to grow at the same pace as the growth was in FY 2014 it is possible that BIPCo might file for this specific item in calendar year 2016. However, If the cost of the net metering program does not reach a tipping point then it will be addressed in BIPCo's next general rate filing.*

Prepared by: Albert Casazza (1 through 5) and Walter Edge/David Bebyn (6).

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ACCOUNT # \_\_\_\_\_

ID # \_\_\_\_\_

BILLING DATES:

|              |           |           |            |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| FROM         | 5/31/2014 | DATE DUE  | 10/31/2014 |
| TO           | 6/30/2014 | PAST DUE  | (\$88.25)  |
| SERVICE RATE |           | TOTAL DUE | (\$89.51)  |

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TOTAL ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN ABOVE PORTION WITH PAYMENT

ACCOUNT # \_\_\_\_\_ ID # \_\_\_\_\_ DATE DUE: 10/31/2014 SERVICE RATE: \_\_\_\_\_

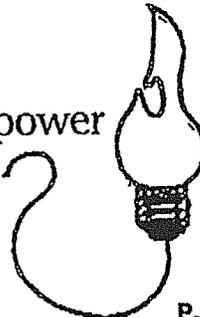
BILLING DATES: FROM: 5/31/2014 TO: 6/30/2014 SERVICE LOCATION: House-J

Prior Read    Present    Mult    Usage

187       187       1       0 kwh x \$0.2399 =

|                  |                  |
|------------------|------------------|
| Misc. Charge     | -13.64           |
| Customer Charge  | 12.38            |
| Energy Charge    | 0.00             |
| Prior Balance    | -88.25           |
| <b>Total Due</b> | <b>(\$89.51)</b> |

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ACCOUNT #

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### BILLING DATES:

|              |           |           |            |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| FROM         | 7/31/2014 | DATE DUE  | 10/31/2014 |
| TO           | 8/31/2014 | PAST DUE  | (\$48.69)  |
| SERVICE RATE |           | TOTAL DUE | (\$52.62)  |

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TOTAL ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_

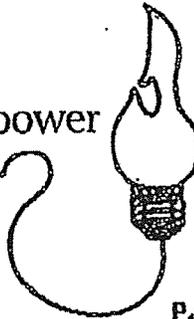
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COUNT #                      ID #                      DATE DUE: 10/31/2014      SERVICE RATE:

BILLING DATES:      FROM: 7/31/2014      TO: 8/31/2014      SERVICE LOCATION: House-J

| <u>Prior Read</u> | <u>Present</u> | <u>Mult</u> | <u>Usage</u>       |                 |           |
|-------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------|
|                   |                |             |                    | Misc. Charge    | -16.31    |
|                   |                |             |                    | Customer Charge | 12.38     |
| 226               | 226            | 1           | 0 kwh x \$0.2399 = | Energy Charge   | 0.00      |
|                   |                |             |                    | Prior Balance   | -48.69    |
|                   |                |             |                    | Total Due       | (\$52.62) |

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Fire: ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
 Rate: R Last: 32369

Net Meter

| Month | Reading    | Consumption | Remarks        |
|-------|------------|-------------|----------------|
| Dec.  |            |             |                |
| Nov.  |            |             | A   B          |
| Oct.  |            |             | KWH            |
| Sept. | 33922/6574 |             | 169 / 277      |
| Aug.  | 33753/6267 |             | 226 / 324      |
| July  | 33527/5943 |             | 285 / 232 = 53 |
| June  | 33292/5711 |             | 187 / 333      |
| May   | 33055/5378 |             | 84 / 353       |
| April | 32911/5625 |             | 98 / 356       |
| March | 32877/4669 |             | 150 / 303      |
| Feb.  | 32727/4366 |             | 155 / 181 = -  |
| Jan.  | 32568/4185 |             | 199 / 164 = 35 |
| Dec.  | 32369/4021 |             | 102            |
| Nov.  | 32245/3919 |             |                |

COMMENTS:

A = PURCHASED FROM BIPCO  
 B = DELIVERED TO BIPCO

FUEL

|           | <u>2012</u> | <u>2013</u> | <u>2014</u> |
|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| JANUARY   | 0.3338      | 0.3367      | 0.3500      |
| FEBRUARY  | 0.3393      | 0.3548      | 0.3276      |
| MARCH     | 0.3657      | 0.3369      | 0.3085      |
| APRIL     | 0.3645      | 0.2871      | 0.3000      |
| MAY       | 0.3115      | 0.3287      | 0.2945      |
| JUNE      | 0.3036      | 0.2778      | 0.2918      |
| JULY      | 0.2750      | 0.3012      | 0.2968      |
| AUGUST    | 0.3007      | 0.3023      | 2.887       |
| SEPTEMBER | 0.3270      | 0.3019      | 2.759       |
| OCTOBER   | 0.3100      | 0.2964      |             |
| NOVEMBER  | 0.3640      | 0.2970      |             |
| DECEMBER  | 0.3087      | 0.2945      |             |

**Docket No. 4387 – Block Island Power Co. – Net Metering Policy  
Service List as of 10/10/14**

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