



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

Rhode Island Division of  
Public Utilities and Carriers  
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June 25, 2013

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

RE: The Narragansett Electric Company, d/b/a National Grid  
Tariff Advice Filing to Amend RIPUC NG-Gas No. 101  
(Modification of General Terms and Conditions, Section 1,  
Schedule A, Part 6.0 – Installation of Meters) – Docket No. 4402

Dear Ms. Massaro:

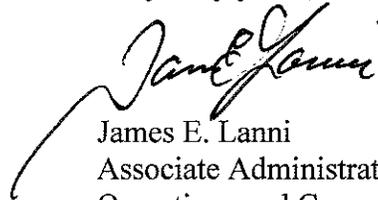
I am writing on behalf of the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (“Division”) in regards to the above-entitled matter. The Division reviewed the initial Tariff Advice Filing to Amend RIPUC NG-GAS No. 101 issued March 21, 2013.

After reviewing the tariff filing, the Division decided to further discuss with National Grid (the “Company”) the language associated with the commercial and industrial provisions of meter installations for existing and prospective customers with back-up natural gas generators. The parties, the Division and the Company, agreed to a further revision of the filed tariff, in which, the utility company would technically review commercial/industrial service accounts with backup generators above the 12 kW thresholds that may not require separate metering because the gas consumption can be measured correctly from a single meter.

Subsequently, National Grid re-filed a revised tariff on June 19, 2013 that sets out for the Company to provide single metering to commercial and industrial customers with back-up generators of more than 12 kW that would be dependent upon a Company’s technical review that confirms one meter can appropriately measure the total customer’s gas consumption.

The important aspect of the Division-requested tariff change is that over two hundred existing residential customers with backup gas generators that are in excess of 12 kW will experience reductions in their monthly gas charges. The monthly billing reduction is a direct result of the residential service provision to eliminate separate metering of auxiliary gas generators that are rarely used except during significant weather events in electric outage situations. The tariff filing removed the second monthly Customer Charge from residential gas accounts that are associated with the separate metering of their back-up generators. The Customer Charges are \$11.70 and \$13.00 a month for low-income residential heating and standard heating/non-heating residential accounts respectively. Based upon the foregoing review, the Division recommends that the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission approve the Company's tariff filing.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James E. Lanni". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

James E. Lanni  
Associate Administrator for  
Operations and Consumer  
Affairs

cc: Service list