

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID'S PROPOSED STREETLIGHT METERING PILOT FOR
MUNICIPAL-OWNED STREETLIGHTS - DOCKET NO. 4513

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-1, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on **Wednesday, January 21, 2015 @ 10:00 A.M.** in Hearing Room A of the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.

In this docket, the PUC will examine the propriety of National Grid's proposal to establish a Street Light Metering Pilot Program. The proposed plan, submitted on October 23, 2014, recommends performing a pilot study to review the accuracy and capabilities of various metering technologies available for street lights. National Grid stated that the pilot is intended to evaluate the meter manufacturer's laboratory test results, test performance claims made by meter manufacturers, evaluate technical and communication capabilities of each meter and select successful meter candidates for field testing with communications. National Grid proposed selecting four municipalities to participate in the pilot. The pilot had a proposed timeline of 54 weeks from regulatory approval. The estimated cost of the program ranged from \$1.12 million to approximately \$3.08 million depending on ownership of the luminaires. National Grid proposed recovering the cost of the pilot from all Streetlighting Customers through a surcharge.

The docket containing National Grid's proposal is available for examination at the PUC's office. The docket can also be accessed under the PUC's Docket Menu at www.ripuc.org, Docket No. 4513. 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,
January 9, 2015