

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID'S 2016 STANDARD OFFER : DOCKET NO. 4556
SERVICE PROCUREMENT PLAN AND 2016 RENEWABLE :
ENERGY STANDARD PROCUREMENT PLAN :

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1-27.8 and 39-26-4, the Public Utilities Commission ("PUC") will conduct a public hearing on **Thursday, June 4, 2015 @ 9:30 AM** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.

At this hearing, the PUC will examine the propriety of a filing by National Grid seeking approval of the Company's proposed Procurement Plans to meet its Standard Offer Service ("SOS") and Renewable Energy Standard supply requirements for year 2016. The Company proposes to continue to procure SOS for each of the customer groups consisting of the Industrial Group, Commercial Group and Residential Group. The Procurement Plan includes procurement procedures, pricing options and proposed terms of service for which the SOS will be procured for the customer groups. Approval of National Grid's SOS Procurement Plan will not set or amend existing retail rates; however, it may have a future impact on the retail rates ultimately filed by National Grid in year 2016.

The Renewable Energy Standard ("RES") Procurement Plan includes methods and procedures for obtaining renewable energy resources that satisfy National Grid's RES obligations and compliance with the legislative mandate requiring National Grid to obtain 10% of its energy supply from a mix of new and existing renewable resources for calendar year 2016.

The filing is available for examination at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed under the Commission's Docket Menu at www.ripuc.org, Docket No. 4556. 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
May 22, 2015