

January 15, 2016

VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

RE: Docket 4568 – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Review of Electric Distribution Rate Design Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-24 Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Filing

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of National Grid¹, I enclose ten (10) copies of the Company's Unopposed Motion to Withdraw Filing.

Thank you for your attention to this transmittal. If you have any questions concerning this filing, please contact me at 781-907-2153.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In Re: Review of The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid's Rate Design Pursuant to

Docket No. 4568

R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-24

UNOPPOSED MOTION TO WITHDRAW FILING

Pursuant to Rule 1.15 of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's (PUC) Rules of Practice and Procedure, National Grid¹ hereby submits an Unopposed Motion to Withdraw the Company's filing in this docket without prejudice. In support of this motion, the Company states:

- 1. In this docket, on July 31, 2015, the Company filed with the PUC a revenue-neutral allocated cost of service study for all rate classes and a proposal for new rates for all customers in each rate class pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-24. In its filing, the Company used the distribution revenue requirement and the allocated cost of service that was filed with the compliance filing from its last base rate case (Docket No. 4323).
- 2. The electric distribution rates that are currently in effect were determined by the PUC in Docket No. 4323 to be just and reasonable, reflecting the appropriate cost responsibility and contributions to the operation, maintenance, and investment in the distribution system relied upon by all customers. Such rates need not be revised at this time.
- 3. In addition to the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (the Division), the following parties have been granted intervener status in this proceeding: the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources (OER), Rhode Island Energy Efficiency Resources Management Council (EERMC), Acadia Center (Acadia), Conservation Law Foundation (CLF),

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the Department of the Navy (DON), Energy Development Partners, LLC (EDP), Forbes Street Solar LLC (Forbes), Hecate Energy LLC and CME Energy (Hecate-CME), Narragansett Bay Commission (NBC), Northeast Clean Energy Council (NECEC), The Alliance for Solar Choice (TASC), Wal-Mart Stores East, LP and Sam's East, Inc. (Walmart), and Green Development, LLC d/b/a Wind Energy Development LLC (WED) (OER, EERMC, Acadia, CLF, DON, EDP, Forbes, Hecate-CME, NBC, NECEC, TASC, Walmart, and WED are collectively referred to hereinafter as the Intervening Parties).

- 4. The Company understands that the Division and the Intervening Parties do not support the Company's proposed rates, but have expressed their interest in engaging in further discussions on rate design and distribution cost allocation among rate classes in light of net metering and the changing distribution system that is expected to include more distributed energy resources, including, but not limited to, distributed generation. The Company supports further discussion on these issues. Therefore, the Company desires to withdraw its filing without prejudice.
- 5. Pursuant to PUC Rule of Practice and Procedure 1.15(b), the Company contacted the Division and the Intervening Parties to determine whether any of these entities has an objection to the Company's proposed withdrawal of its filing in this docket. As of the time of the filing of this motion, the Company has received no objection to the Company's withdrawal of its filing.

CONCLUSION

For these reasons, the Company respectfully requests that the PUC grant its unopposed motion to withdraw its filing in this docket without prejudice.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and any materials accompanying this certificate was electronically transmitted to the individuals listed below.

The paper copies of this filing are being hand delivered to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and to the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.

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