

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID'S 2016 RENEWABLE ENERGY GROWTH PROGRAM TARIFF
AND RULE CHANGES AND PROPOSED SOLARWISE PROGRAM – DOCKET 4589-A

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-3-11, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on **Wednesday, February 3, 2016 @ 10:00 A.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, Rhode Island.

In this docket, the PUC will examine the propriety of National Grid's proposal to implement updates to program documents for the second year of the Rhode Island Renewable Energy Growth Program (RE Growth Program). The proposal is submitted pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-26.6 et seq. The RE Growth Program is designed to finance the development, construction, and operation of 160 megawatts (MW) of renewable energy distributed generation (DG) projects in the State of Rhode Island over a five-year period using performance-based incentives. Under the RE Growth Program, developers and customers with eligible renewable distributed generation projects will have the opportunity to enroll in the program and receive compensation pursuant to the RE Growth Program tariffs, as approved by the PUC. For the second year of the RE Growth Program, National Grid is proposing minor revisions to the Company's Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules and Tariffs. In addition to the updated Tariffs and Rules, National Grid proposes a new program, SolarWise, which is a new offering in the RE Growth Program that will link energy efficiency savings with increased performance based incentives to encourage customers to pursue solar energy.

The proposal may be examined at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed at www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4589page.html. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws. The PUC is accessible to the handicapped.

Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's office at 780-2107, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
January 22, 2015