

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

April 1, 2016

Re: PUC Docket No. 4600 – Request for participation on the stakeholder committee

Dear Luly:

Energy Consumers Alliance of New England (ECANE) d/b/a People's Power & Light in Rhode Island submits this request for membership on the stakeholder committee to be formed for PUC Docket No. 4600. People's Power & Light is a private, non-profit 501(c)3 organization based in Providence whose mission is to make energy affordable and environmentally sustainable.

The purpose of the docket as stated in the March 18, 2016 *Notice of Commencement of Docket and Invitation for Stakeholder Participation* is to develop a report that will guide the PUC's review of National Grid's rate structure in future proceedings. Per this notice, membership is available to entities who will be significantly affected by the proposed regulation and whose interests will not be adequately represented by any person or entity specified in the notice.

We submit the following in accordance with the Notice referenced above.

- 1. People's Power & Light (PP&L) is applying for membership on the stakeholder committee.
- 2. Program Coordinator Kat Burnham and Executive Director Larry Chretien are authorized to represent PP&L on the stakeholder committee.
- 3. This request for membership is our written commitment that PP&L represented by Kat Burnham and supported by Larry Chretien will actively participate in good faith in the development of recommendations on issues under consideration in the docket.
- 4. People's Power & Light is a 501c3 private nonprofit as part of the Energy Consumers Alliance of New England (ECANE). We conduct business across the state of Rhode Island. Our sister organization Mass Energy is active in similar dockets in Massachusetts. PP&L is an active participant in the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency Collaborative and on the Executive Committee of the Environment Council of Rhode Island.

Our organization is focused on serving energy consumers. We advocate for consumers and the environment on local and statewide energy issues, and offer energy-related assistance and programming on heating oil, green power, and energy efficiency. Our focus in recent years has been to work towards achieving deep greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions in the most economically smart ways possible. As part of ECANE, PP&L actively encourages and assists all

of our more than 7,500 members and the general public to become more energy efficient, and to help increase demand for community scale renewable resources. PP&L also works closely with key stakeholders throughout Rhode Island such as municipal officials, environmental groups, local energy committees, and consumer advocates.

We are confident that each of these reasons meets the requirements for participation in the stakeholder committee and for this reason, People's Power & Light, respectfully seeks approval of its application for membership on the stakeholder committee for docket 4600.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Regards,

Larry Chretien
Executive Director

Kat Burnham Program Coordinator

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