

1. Move to formally accept the Stakeholder Report. (MC, MG 3-0)
2. Move to adopt the goals set forth in Section 1.3 of the stakeholder report, the rate design principles listed in Section 3.1 of the stakeholder report, and the Rhode Island Benefit-Cost Framework, recognizing that further work needs to be done on the Framework.

A guidance document is an agency statement of general applicability and future effect that sets forth a policy on a statutory, regulatory or technical issue. So in the context of this item, the guidance document will provide direction on how the PUC will apply the principles set forth in R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26.6-24(b).

Once adopted, direct staff to prepare a guidance document for public comment that includes those pieces.

Once the guidance document has been drafted, it will be made public for comments.
(MC, MG 3-0)

3. Move to require National Grid to submit, within the upcoming electric rate case, a re-examination of the design of the low income rate in accordance with the rate design principles and goals adopted by the PUC earlier today and which will be contained in the Guidance Document. In doing so, National Grid shall refer to the low income/customer protections listed in Section 3.4 of the Report.

While this docket relates only to electric rate design, specifically, National Grid should also review the design of its two low income rates in the gas case. This is not meant to suggest the rates should have an identical design, but a fresh review should be conducted nonetheless.

(MC, MG 3-0)

4. (a statement for PUC consensus rather than a motion) Additionally, related to Section 3.4 of the Report, the PUC directs staff to collect and report on data relative the points listed in Section 3.4 as part of the PUC's report to the General Assembly on low income energy programs which is due in November 2018. – Agreed to by consensus
5. Move to request the Division to develop methodologies needed to populate the missing information in the Benefit-Cost Framework, and submit these proposed methodologies to the PUC in this docket. The first step should be based on currently deployed technologies. (MC, MG 3-0)
6. Move to request the Division file a report on a set of functionalities that are desirable on the electric system to achieve a better accounting and allocation of costs and benefits that would support the consensus goals in Section 1.3 of the Report. Where possible, the study should also identify candidate technologies needed to achieve these functionalities. (MC, MG 3-0)

7. Move to request the Division investigate the level of benefits that have been achieved through various programs and the cost of these programs, including identifying how National Grid currently recovers costs and receives incentives to execute these programs. We believe the review should consider not just direct payments to National Grid from a program, but how one program may make it easier to earn money in other activities.
(MC, MG 3-0)