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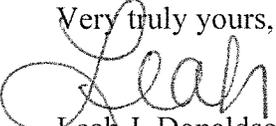
In Re: The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Request For Approval of a Gas Capacity Contract and Cost Recovery Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-31-1 to 9 (Docket No. 4627)

Dear Luly:

Enclosed for filing are an original and 10 copies of Lieutenant Governor Daniel J. McKee's Motion to Intervene in this matter.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Very truly yours,


Leah J. Donaldson

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY :
d/b/a NATIONAL GRID REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF : DOCKET NO. 4627
A GAS CAPACITY CONTRACT AND COST RECOVERY :
PURSUANT TO R.I. GEN. LAWS § 39-31-1 TO 9 :

**MOTION FOR INVENTION OF
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR DANIEL J. McKEE**

Now comes Daniel J. McKee ("McKee"), by his undersigned counsel, and pursuant to the Notice of Pre-Hearing Conference, Intervention Deadline, and Public Comment Hearing from the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") dated July 8, 2016, hereby moves to intervene in this matter.

1. McKee is the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Rhode Island.
2. As the Lieutenant Governor, McKee serves as the Chairperson of the Small Business Advocacy Council pursuant to R.I.G.L. § 42-91-2(a).
3. As set forth in R.I.G.L. § 42-91-3(a): "The purpose of the council shall be to develop those specific and comprehensive recommendations for executive and legislative action as may be necessary and proper to maintain and encourage the continued viability of small businesses in the state."
4. Small businesses are the backbone of the Rhode Island economy. According to the Small Business Profile for Rhode Island published in February of 2013 by the United States Small Business Administration, Office of Advocacy:

"Small businesses significantly impact Rhode Island's economy. They represent 95.9 percent of all employers and employ 55.4 percent of the private-sector labor force. Small businesses are crucial to the fiscal condition of the state and numbered 95,471 in 2010."

5. Unfortunately, however, small businesses are historically under-represented in matters before the Commission. The interests of residential ratepayers are vigorously represented by the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers and the Attorney General. The industrial and large commercial ratepayers in Rhode Island are often represented by The Energy Council of Rhode Island (“TEC-RI”). However, we are unaware of any specific representation of the interests of small businesses in this docket.

6. McKee, acting in his capacities as the Lieutenant Governor and the Chairperson of the Small Business Advocacy Council, respectfully moves to intervene as a full party in this docket.

7. McKee intends to file supporting testimony in this docket from John Farley, a utility ratemaking expert, who is the former Executive Director of TEC-RI.

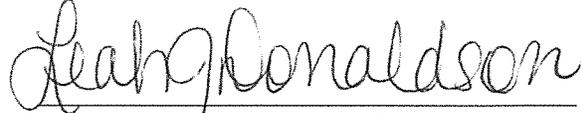
8. Commission Rule 1.13 provides, in pertinent part, that “any person claiming a right to intervene or an interest of such nature that intervention is necessary or appropriate may intervene in any proceeding before the Commission.” The Rule goes on to further state that such a right or an interest may be:

“...an interest which may be directly affected and which is not adequately represented by existing parties and as to which movants may be bound by the Commission’s action in the proceeding. (The following may have such an interest: consumers served by the applicant...)”

9. Rule 1.13 also provides that such right or interest may be “any other interest of such nature that movant’s participation may be in the public interest.”

WHEREFORE, pursuant to Rule 1.13, Lieutenant Governor Daniel J. McKee respectfully moves for intervention as a full party in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
Lieutenant Governor Daniel J. McKee
By his attorneys



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