DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MEMORANDUM

TO: LULY MASSARO

CLERK, PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

DATE: 8/9/16

FROM: STEPHEN SCIALABBA DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

SUBJECT: NATIONAL GRID TARIFF ADVICE FILING TO AMEND NET METERING PROVISION RIPUC NO. 2150.

On July 15, 2016, National Grid made a tariff advice filing to amend the Company's Net Metering Provision, RIPUC No. 2150, in order to comport with changes in the law, sections 39-26.4-2 and 39-26.4-3, precipitated by the passage of H 8354, Sub A. As National Grid indicated in its filing letter, the tariff advice makes changes to comport with some, but not all, of the statutory changes. Additional tariff changes associated with the statute's community remote net metering system provisions will be filed in September of 2016. The primary changes filed with the instant tariff advice filing are:

- 1) The definition of "Eligible Net Metering system" has been changed to reflect the statute's provision for third-party financing arrangements.
- 2) The definition of "Eligible Net Metering System site" has been changed to reflect the provision that all energy generated from an Eligible Net Metering System will be considered as consumed at the meter where the Eligible Net Metering System is interconnected for valuation purposes.
- 3) Definitions of "Renewable Net Metering Credit" has been changed to reflect a statutory change in the credit effective *January 1*, 2050.
- 4) The maximum allowable capacity for Eligible Net Metering Systems has been changed to 10 MW (from 5 MW).

I have reviewed the recently passed law and compared it to the tariff filing, and I find that the proposed changes are consistent with the statute and I recommend the Commission's approval of the revised net metering provision tariff, RIPUC No. 2169.