

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC CO.
D/B/A NATIONAL GRID'S 2018-2020 ENERGY : DOCKET NO. 4684
EFFICIENCY AND SYSTEM RELIABILITY
PROCUREMENT PLAN

NOTICE OF TECHNICAL RECORD SESSIONS

Pursuant to the provisions of the RI Gen. Laws §§39-1-1 and 42-46-6, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct Two Technical Sessions on **Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 10:00 A.M.** in Hearing Room A and **at 1:00 P.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.

In this docket, on April 27, 2017, the PUC approved performance based Energy Efficiency Savings Targets for The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid's (National Grid) electric and gas energy efficiency procurement and programs for the period 2018 – 2020 as recommended by the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC) pursuant to R.I. General Laws § 39-1-27.7.1. The approved energy savings targets are intended to ensure that National Grid's efficiency procurement and programs generate savings to customers by investing in significant quantities of efficiency resources that are lower cost than supply. The PUC also approved modifications to the Least Cost Procurement (LCP) Standards (R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1-27.7) which will provide National Grid guidance with utility planning, cost-effectiveness assessment, and program design and implementation strategy when the Company files its annual plans over the same three-year period 2018 - 2020.

Pursuant to the approved LCP Standards, National Grid submitted its Three-Year Plan for Energy Efficiency and System Reliability Procurement Plan (Plan) on August 30, 2017. At the technical sessions, National Grid will give presentations regarding certain aspects of National Grid's 2018-2020 Plan.

Record Session @ 10 A.M. Presentations by National Grid (Courtney Lane) and Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers consultant Tim Woolf, Synapse Energy regarding Rhode Island Benefit Cost Test (RI Test), including but not limited to:

- updates to the RI Test that will be implemented in 2018, and the results of that implementation;
- updates regarding new methodologies for estimating costs and benefits; and
- any significant changes to existing methodologies for estimating costs and benefits.

Record Session @ 1 PM, Presentation by National Grid (Courtney Lane, Stefan Nagy, Mackay Miller and Laura Rodormer) regarding beneficial electrification of heating programs, including but not limited to:

- how the benefits and costs of these technologies are calculated;
- how the benefits and costs of fuel switching will be calculated if a program to promote fuel switching is included in the Three-Year Plan;

- Any concepts or design options regarding beneficial electrification of heating programs for implementation outside of the Three-Year Plan.

National Grid's Plan is available for examination at the PUC's office. The docket can also be accessed at <http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4684page.html>. Reference is also made to Chapters 42-35 and 39-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
September 8, 2017