STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY:

D/B/A NATIONAL GRID'S 2018-2020 ENERGY : DOCKET NO. 4684

EFFICIENCY AND SYSTEM RELIABILITY

PROCUREMENT PLAN :

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of the RI Gen. Laws §§39-1-1, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on **Wednesday**, **October 25**, **2017 at 9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required.

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 this hearing the PUC will examine the propriety of National Grid's 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 October 18, 2017