## RHODE ISLAND DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: NOVEMBER 8, 2017

TO: LULY MASSARO COMMISSION CLERK

FROM: STEVE SCIALABBA

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SUBJECT: DOCKET 4738, PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT TARIFF ADVICE FILING.

On September 20, 2017 the Pascoag Utility District (Pascoag) submitted a tariff advice filing seeking approval for a new tariff for low use municipal (Burrillville) facilities with low load factors (less than 10%) and whose peak load is not coincident with Pascoag's annual or seasonal peak. Low use municipal customers on this rate will avoid the 11 month demand ratchet that is presently in the Commercial and Industrial rate. Approval of the rate will result in a small amount of revenue loss to Pascoag until the rates are changed in the next base rate proceeding. According to Pascoag, the town has operated a generator at the ball field in order to avoid the ratcheted demand structure, thus that revenue is currently not being realized by Pascoag as a result. Actual lost revenue resulting from approval of the tariff was identified as \$1,100 by Pascoag.

The Division has discussed this proposal with Pascoag and reviewed the additional information supplied in response to data requests. Based on information provided to the Division, there are three town accounts, including the ball field, which would qualify for the new tariff. All three accounts have very low annual consumption, relative to other customers in the current C&I tariff. Pascoag further indicated that it pays no property taxes or payments in lieu of taxes to the town of Burrillville.

After review, the Division has no objection to the tariff filing of Pascoag.