

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

**PASCOAG UTILITY DISTRICT** :  
**TARIFF ADVICE** : **DOCKET NO. 4738**

**ORDER**

On September 20, 2017, Pascoag Utility District (Pascoag or District) filed a tariff advice with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission or PUC) proposing a new rate for municipal facilities that have very low usage. The new tariff, RIPUC No. 201, would be titled Municipal Low Capacity Factor Rate. The stated reason for the proposed rate is to provide relief from the 11-month ratcheted demand charge that certain municipal facilities are required to pay despite the fact that they have very low usage and their usage does not coincide with Pascoag’s annual or seasonal peak demand. Pascoag represented that the charges for this rate would be very similar to its Large Commercial and Industrial Rate, RIPUC No. 407, except the actual kW demand for the customers during the billing period would be applied with no 11-month ratcheted look-back. Pascoag maintains that by eliminating the 11-month ratcheted demand charge, the tariff will provide relief for its low usage municipal facility customers. It will also provide reciprocity to the Town of Burrillville (Town) for Pascoag’s not having to pay property or excise taxes or other payments-in-lieu-of taxes. Pascoag estimates the rate will result in lost revenue of approximately \$1100. There will be no impact to customers if the new rate is approved, however, because Pascoag does not intend to reallocate that revenue at the present time.

The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (Division) filed a memorandum addressing the tariff advice filing on November 8, 2017. The memorandum represented that the Division has no objection to Pascoag’s proposed tariff.

At an Open Meeting on December 20, 2017, the Commission unanimously approved Pascoag's proposed tariff, finding it to be fair and reasonable and providing a level of reciprocity of public benefit to the Town.

Accordingly, it is hereby

(23305) ORDERED:

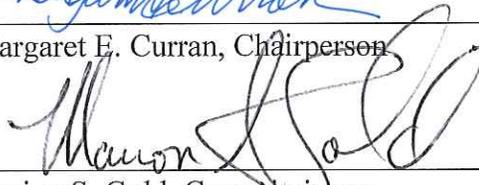
Pascoag Utility District's proposed new rate, RIPUC No. 201, is approved.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON DECEMBER 20, 2017  
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION. WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED OCTOBER  
20, 2018.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



Margaret E. Curran, Chairperson



Marion S. Gold, Commissioner



Abigail Anthony, Commissioner

**NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL:** Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within seven days from the date of the order, petition the Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or order.