



STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

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Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Blvd.
Warwick, R.I. 02888

**In Re: Review Of Power Purchase Agreements-Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39- 26.1 *et seq.*
Docket No. 4764**

Dear Luly,

Please find for filing with the Commission, an original and nine (9) copies the State of Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities & Carriers (Division) redacted Comments, in memorandum form relating to the Clean Energy RFP and corresponding review and consideration of the related power purchase agreements pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39- 26.1 *et seq.* by the Commission in the above entitled docket. The Division has also enclosed its Joint Petition for Protective Treatment of Confidential Information herewith.

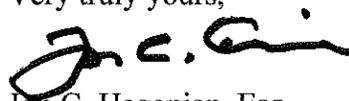
In preparing the within comments, I have attached one or more exhibits which may be redacted and marked confidential as these exhibits set forth either confidential or proprietary information of Levitan & Associates, Inc. (LAI), such as models, forecasts, or personal information, which is or should otherwise be deemed protected from public disclosure. Provided further said exhibits may contain inter alia information provided by National Grid to the Division which is the subject of that certain Confidentiality and Nondisclosure Agreement executed on March 12, 2016 (“NDA”) between National Grid and the Division.

The information and material which are the subject matter of the NDA were similarly the subject matter of National Grid’s Motion for Protective Treatment in the instant action in accordance with Rule 1.2(g) of Public Utilities Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure and R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-2(4)(B). The Division in accordance with the NDA is hereby complying with its obligation to preserve from public disclosure of certain highly sensitive and

proprietary modeling and analysis provided by the Company's third-party consultants, as well as confidential bidder and pricing information. Provided however, the Division hereby reserves all of its rights and is in no way waiving those rights with respect to any of the information set forth in these Comments pursuant to the NDA. Accordingly, the Division has also provided the Commission with one (1) complete, unredacted copy of the Comments in a sealed envelope marked "**Contains Privileged Information – Do Not Release**" and has included redacted copies of these materials for the public filing.

I appreciate your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon G. Hagopian". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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