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MEMORANDUM

To: Docket Nos. 4770 & 4780 Service Lists
From: Cynthia G. Wilson-Frias, Deputy Chief of Legal Services
Date: May 25, 2018
Re: Docket No. 4770 – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Electric and Gas Distribution Rate Filing and Docket No. 4780 – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid Electric and Proposed Power Sector Transformation (PST) Vision and Implementation Plan

REVISED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

Thank you for participating in the rehearing conference. The following represents the schedule and various filing requirements for this docket.

Discovery and responses will be rolling – Parties are asked to group their data requests by topics with the appropriate labeling of the topic. **Please email a Word version in addition to a .pdf.** Electronic data response filings will be made by the respondent to the service list as they come in. At the end of the 21-day period, the respondent should provide Luly with a complete set, sequentially numbered with a cover page – the cover page will be a list of the data requests, each one followed by where the response can be found. An example is attached hereto. The full set of responses can be provided via email no later than 4:00 p.m. on the 21st day if it can be sent as one attachment. If the responses are too voluminous, please provide a cd-rom or flash drive to Luly by noon on the 21st day so she can upload it to the website and send a link by the end of the day to all of the parties.

If there is a question that got an extension, please simply note that in the answer and then follow up with a separate response just for that answer, sequentially numbered from the beginning of that answer. This is the same for true supplemental responses to amend or add additional information.

All testimony should be sequentially numbered in each package. If a party files one witness testimony and supporting attachments per package of materials, each page should be numbered sequentially for that package. If, like National Grid, a party files a book of multiple witness testimony and attachments, please number each entire book sequentially.

Hearings will be streamed and recorded. We will be using the big tvs and, at hearings, plan to have all exhibits uploaded to a laptop so everyone can follow along when references to various documents are made.

The following schedule contains many dates which are for the parties to file documents. If there will be a meeting or hearing, a location is listed.

05/29/2018 – Deadline for submitting CVs, resumes, or witness qualifications of respondents to data requests who did not submit pre-filed testimony in this docket.

05/30/2018 – Availability of witnesses for Settlement hearings emailed to Cindy Wilson-Frias (focus on week of June 12th first)

05/31/2018 – **11:00 AM** – Hearing Room A – Hearing on Parties’ Motions for Protective/Confidential Treatment;

05/31/2018 – **Noon** – Hearing Room A - pre-hearing conference (call-in number will be sent, too)

05/31/2018 – afternoon Hearing Room A available for technology testing

05/31/2018 - Parties to file a general Settlement summary

06/01/2018 – Parties to submit initial exhibit lists to Cindy Wilson-Frias

06/05/2018 – **Noon** - Division and Intervenor Surrebuttal OR Settlement with accompanying settlement testimony (the PUC is requiring settlement testimony).

- A settlement should be accompanied by a chart, similar to the first attachment hereto.
- Surrebuttal should be accompanied by a chart, similar to the second attachment hereto (the date for that chart can be further addressed on 5/31/2018).

06/07/2018 –

9:00 AM (if no settlement) – Opening Statements

11:00 AM (if settlement)– Hearing Room A - Prehearing conference – finalization of exhibit list; scheduling of witnesses; technical and procedural questions (call-in number will be sent, too)

- If a party is planning to reference a specific document during cross-examination, the party shall also have eight (8) hard copies for the PUC and stenographer plus any needed for the other attorneys;
- If a party wishes to use the televisions for reference during the hearing, the party shall have the information either on a flash drive or tablet and shall be responsible for the operation of same – parties should contact the PUC beforehand to schedule a time to test any technology;

*Note – if no settlement, prehearing conference will have to follow public comment hearing (est. 3:30 pm)

06/07/2018 – **1:30 PM** – Hearing Room A – Hearing to receive public comment

06/12/2018 – **9:30 AM** – Hearing Room A – Evidentiary hearings commence¹

06/13-15/2018 - Hearings continue

06/18-22/2018 – Hearings continue

06/25-06/29/2018 – Hearings continue

Hearings will commence at 9:30 AM and run through 12:30 PM for lunch. Hearings will recommence at 1:15 PM and go to 3:15 PM each day.

Briefing schedule will be set after close of hearings

08/09/2018 – Target for decision at an open meeting

08/16/2018 – Target for filing compliance tariffs (Noon)

08/21/2018 – Target for Division and Intervenor comment on compliance tariffs

08/24/2018 – Target for review and ruling on compliance tariffs

08/27/2017 – Suspension runs

09/01/2018 – Effective date of the rates

¹ If the hearings are on a settlement that encompasses Docket 4770 and Docket 4780 issues, this schedule will govern. If the hearings are only on Docket 4770 issues in a litigated proceeding, this schedule will govern and the April 22, 2018 schedule in Docket 4780 will govern that docket. If the hearings are on a partial settlement covering issues in both dockets, this schedule will govern both dockets through the end of hearings.

Attachment 1		
SAMPLE CHART IF THERE IS A SETTLEMENT		
<u>I. Issues</u>	<u>Agreement/Resolution</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
1. Incorrect cell reference on HJS Schedule B-2 resulted in an incorrect allocation of pumping costs allocated to the Base cost category.	Correction made in HJS Rebuttal Schedule B-2.	Corrected error
2. Incorrect "Estimated Systemwide Peaks" on HJS Schedule B-8.	Correction made in HJS Rebuttal Schedule B-8.	Corrected error
3. Demand and Production Data. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Division</u> - all values in the column labeled "Production Peaks" in HJS Schedule B-7 should be based on the average of the corresponding values for FY 2008 through FY2010. • <u>PWFD</u> - these values should be based on the average of the corresponding values for FY 2010 through FY 2012. • <u>Newport</u> - all values in the Production Peaks column of this schedule should be based on the average of the corresponding values for FY 2011 and FY 2012 since the class specific peaking factors developed in HJS Schedule B-8 are based on data from FY 2011 and FY2012. 	The Division and PWFD agree with NWD that all values on Schedule B-7 should be based on FY 2011 and FY 2012.	Accepted Newport Water's position as valid. Matching of time periods for data.

<u>Attachment 2</u>		
<u>SAMPLE CHART IF THERE IS NO SETTLEMENT</u>		
<u>I. Issues Raised by [Name of Party]</u>	<u>[Name of Party] Position</u>	<u>Rationale</u>
Number of FTEs funded. Utility proposed funding for 237 FTEs	Party recommends funding for 235 FTEs, reducing utility's request by \$100,000	Utility has not shown, based on its historical personnel figures, that it has had more than 233 FTEs on the payroll over the past 36 months