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December 28, 2017

Re: DOCKET NO. 4770, IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a

NATIONAL GRID - ELECTRIC AND GAS DISTRIBUTION RATE FILING

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter, please find an original plus nine (9) copies of the Department of the Navy's Notice of Appearance of Counsel and Motion to Intervene.

Please call me at (757) 322-4119 if you have any questions or concerns regarding this filing. Thank you for your assistance.

Very truly yours,

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

d/b/a NATIONAL GRID - ELECTRIC AND GAS

DOCKET NO. 4770

DISTRIBUTION RATE FILING

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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE OF COUNSEL

Pursuant to Rule 1.4 of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, please enter my appearance on behalf of the Department of the Navy, filing on behalf of the Federal Executive Agencies.

Dated: December 28, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

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IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL GRID – ELECTRIC AND GAS DISTRIBUTION RATE FILING

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MOTION TO INTERVENE

Pursuant to Rule 1.13 of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure ("Rules"), the Department of the Navy ("DON"), on behalf of the Federal Executive Agencies, moves, by counsel, to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this motion, the DON states as follows:

- 1. On November 27, 2017, National Grid filed an application with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission ("PUC") for authority to implement an increase in electric and gas base distribution rates pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws §§ 39-3-10 and 39-3-11.
- 2. Rule 1.13(b) permits any person claiming "an interest of such nature that intervention is necessary or appropriate to submit a motion to intervene in any proceeding before the [PUC]." Section 1.13(b)(1) of the PUC Rules provides that such an interest may be "[a]n interest which may be directly affected and which is not adequately represented by existing parties and as to which movants may be bound by the Commission's action in the proceeding."
- 3. The DON has a justiciable interest that may be adversely affected by the outcome of this case. The DON maintains an installation within the State of Rhode Island that is served by National Grid. This installation, Naval Station Newport, provides facilities and infrastructure for approximately fifty (50) tenant commands and

activities. As a large customer of National Grid with a strategic and vital interest in securing reliable, affordable gas and electricity, the matters which are the subject of this docket could have a substantial impact on DON accounts.

- 4. There are no other means available whereby the DON's interests may be protected. It is necessary and appropriate to grant the DON's motion to intervene because the DON has a direct and significant interest in this proceeding that is not represented by the existing parties and it is likely that the DON's positions will be different from those endorsed by any other party.
- 5. The DON has participated in several rate cases in the past that involved National Grid.
- 6. Rule 1.13(e) provides that where there is no objection to intervention, a properly filed and served motion to intervene shall be granted.

WHEREFORE, based on the reasons stated herein, the DON respectfully requests that the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission grant this motion and allow the DON to intervene in this matter.

It is respectfully requested that all pleadings and other documents issued in this proceeding be served on counsel for the DON and the two other individuals listed below, and that the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's official service list be modified to reflect the same:

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Dated: December 26, 2017

Respectfully submitted, THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

By Counsel,

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Department of the Navy
Filing on Behalf of the

Federal Executive Agencies

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

RI PUC Docket No. 4770

I hereby certify on this 28th day of December, 2017, I mailed this original Motion to Intervene and nine (9) copies to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, and sent a true copy of the document by electronic mail to the parties on the service list, as of December 28, 2017, for Docket No. 4770.

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