

April 20, 2018

**BY HAND DELIVERY AND ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, RI 02888

**RE: Docket 4783 - Proposed FY 2019 Electric Infrastructure, Safety, Reliability Plan  
Gypsy Moth-Related Damage Report**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Pursuant to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's order at the open meeting on March 20, 2018 in the above-referenced docket, I have enclosed a summary report that details the gypsy moth-related damage in Fiscal Year (FY) 2018. The enclosed summary includes six circuits that the Company selected for the enhanced hazard tree mitigation (EHTM) program in FY 2018. The Company selected these six circuits because those areas had high concentrations of Gypsy Moth infestation. These circuits included 1,170 hazard trees and were in North Kingston, Tiverton, and Tiverton Little Compton. As reflected in the summary, 1,057 hazard trees were removed and 113 hazard trees were trimmed. The scope of removals encompassed approximately 50 miles of overhead distribution lines. The Company identified 307 trees as likely to have been impacted by Gypsy Moth. This number is based on the Company's best assumption based on the tree species, the location of the trees, and the condition of the tree at the time of inspection.

Thank you for your attention to this transmittal. If you have any questions, please contact me at 781-907-2121.

Very truly yours,



Raquel J. Webster

Enclosures

cc: Docket 4783 Service List  
Greg Booth, Division  
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# Hazard Tree and Gypsy Moth Summary

<b>Circuit</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>Date Complete</b>	<b>Tree Crew</b>	<b>Removals</b>	<b>Trims</b>	<b>Miles</b>	<b>Total Trees</b>	<b>Suspected Gypsy Moth Trees</b>
49_56_88F1	North Kingstown-Exeter	5/6/2017	Stanley Tree	132	26	8.80	158	15
49_56_88F5	North Kingstown-Narragansett	7/29/2017	Stanley Tree	160	17	8.57	177	19
49_56_33F2	Tiverton	10/21/2017	Stanley Tree	142	15	5.15	157	15
49_56_33F1	Tiverton	1/13/2018	Stanley Tree	292	16	6.20	308	92
49_56_33F3-33F4	Tiverton-Little Compton (add'l side taps)*	2/3/2018	Stanley Tree	93	8	4.00	101	51
49_56_33F3	Tiverton-Little Compton	3/31/2018	Stanley Tree	238	31	17.59	269	115
			<b>Totals</b>	<b>1057</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>50.31</b>	<b>1170</b>	<b>307</b>

\*side taps on circuits may not typically be addressed by the EHTM program

<b>Avg. Cost/Tree</b>	<b>Suspected Gypsy Moth Trees</b>	<b>Estimated Cost of Removals</b>
\$811.50	307	\$ 249,130.50

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Joanne M. Scanlon

April 20, 2018

Date

**Docket No. 4783 National Grid's Electric Infrastructure, Safety and Reliability Plan FY 2019 - Service List as of 1/8/17**

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