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## VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL

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

RE: Docket 4790 - Net Metering Provision, RIPUC No. 2207

<u>Motion to Intervene By The Coalition for Community Solar Access and Request to Amend the Procedural Schedule</u>

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Pursuant to Rule 1.13 of the Public Utilities Commission's (PUC) Rules and Regulations, National Grid<sup>1</sup> is filing this letter to respond to the Motion to Intervene by The Coalition for Community Solar Access (CCSA) in the above-referenced proceeding.

National Grid notes that the tariff issue relating to an amendment to the community remote net metering provision of the Company's Net Metering Provision, RIPUC No. 2207, to which CCSA has proposed certain revisions in their Motion to Intervene and accompanying Position Statement, is beyond the scope of the procedural schedule that the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) established in this docket. That schedule states that "[t]he scope of this docket is to determine whether the tariff changes properly reflect the legislative amendments in Public Law 2017, chapter 188." National Grid does not object to amending the procedural schedule to include this discreet tariff issue, which relates specifically to an extension of the twenty-four month deadline extension for community remote net metering systems, and does not object to CCSA's participation in this docket for this limited purpose. In deciding whether to grant CCSA's intervention in this proceeding, National Grid requests that the PUC limit the scope of CCSA's participation to this purpose pursuant to the PUC's discretion under Rule 1.13(d).

If the PUC grants CCSA's intervention in this docket, the Company proposes the following amendments to the existing procedural schedule to facilitate the filing of additional tariff revisions:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or the Company).

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3/2/18: Intervention Deadline

3/29/18: National Grid Filing of Revised Tariff Language

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4/9/18: Division/Intervenor Memorandum Deadline 4/19/18: National Grid Rebuttal Memorandum Deadline

The Company has consulted with counsel for the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, the Office of Energy Resources, and CCSA, and they have each indicated their concurrence with the proposed procedural schedule.<sup>2</sup>

Thank you for your attention to this filing. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter at 401-784-7288.

Very truly yours,

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Jennifer Brooks Hutchinson

## Enclosures

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Although CCSA indicated concurrence with the proposed procedural schedule, they declined to otherwise address the Company's approach to their Motion to Intervene.

## Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and any materials accompanying this certificate was electronically transmitted to the individuals listed below.

The paper copies of this filing are being hand delivered to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and to the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.

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