

December 5, 2018

**VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL**

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
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**RE: The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid, Tariff Advice Filing to Amend Electric Tariffs:  
RIPUC No. 2184 Low Income Rate A-60 Tariff;  
RIPUC No. 2210 Residential Assistance Provision;  
RIPUC No. 2196 Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service; and  
RIPUC No. 2196-A Line Extension Policy 1, Policy 2, and Policy 3**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Enclosed pursuant to Public Utilities Commission Rules 1.9(c) and (d) are 10 copies of National Grid's<sup>1</sup> filing to amend the following electric tariffs: (1) Low Income Rate A-60 tariff, RIPUC No. 2184; (2) Residential Assistance Provision, RIPUC No. 2210; (3) Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service, RIPUC No. 2196; and (4) Appendix A to the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service (Line Extension Policy 1, Policy 2, and Policy 3), RIPUC No. 2196-A. The updated electric tariffs attached to this filing have been marked to show changes from the existing versions of the tariffs.

**Attachment 1** to this filing contains the redlined version of the amended Low Income Rate A-60 tariff, identified as RIPUC No. 2215. **Attachment 2** contains the redlined version of the Residential Assistance Provision, identified as RIPUC No. 2216. **Attachment 3** contains the redlined version of the amended Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service, identified as RIPUC No. 2217. **Attachment 4** contains the redlined version of the amended Appendix A to the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service, identified as RIPUC No. 2217-A. Finally, **Attachment 5** contains the draft public notice of this filing.

National Grid is making four changes to its electric tariffs. First, with respect to the Low Income Discount implemented through Docket No. 4770 (the 2017 Rate Case), the Company is amending any references to the "Family Independence Program" in its Low Income Rate A-60 tariff (Rate A-60) and Residential Assistance Provision to the "Rhode Island Works Program."

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

Second, the Company is revising the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service to provide customers notice that the Company may contact customers for non-emergency reasons, and that customers may opt out of receiving such non-emergency communications by contacting the Company. Third, the Company is proposing an effective date of January 15, 2019 for the amended tariffs. Finally, the Company is revising the tariff numbers for the amended tariffs. The amendments to Line Extension Policy 1, Policy 2, and Policy 3 simply are to reflect the new effective date and tariff number of the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service. The changes are described in more detail below.

### **Amendments to Low Income Rate A-60 Tariff and Residential Assistance Provision**

The 2017 Rate Case Amended Settlement Agreement approved by the PUC in Docket No. 4770 provides for a new Low Income Discount, which is described in the Rate A-60 tariff at Sheet 2. For customers receiving delivery service on Rate A-60, a total bill discount of 25 percent shall be applied. For customers receiving benefits through Medicaid, General Public Assistance, and/or the Family Independence Program, an additional discount of five percent is applied off of the total amount billed. By this filing, any references to the “Family Independence Program” in the electric tariffs have been replaced with the “Rhode Island Works Program or successor programs.”

The Company proposes this change because the Family Independence Program has been replaced by the Rhode Island Works Program. Specifically, through Title 40, Chapter 5.2 of the Rhode Island General Laws, the General Assembly changed the public assistance program formerly known as the Family Independence Program to provide temporary financial assistance to eligible families with children while requiring the entry or reentry of the adult members of the family into the workplace with necessary supports as quickly as possible. R.I. Gen. Laws § 40-5.2-39 provides that “[a]ny references in the Rhode Island General Laws to the Family Independence Act, Family Independence Program, or Family Independence Program cash assistance or benefits shall be deemed to be applicable and shall be effective in accordance with the Rhode Island Works Program outlined in this chapter.” Accordingly, the Company is replacing any references in the electric tariffs to the “Family Independence Program” with the “Rhode Island Works Program or successor programs.” The change is made in the Rate A-60 tariff in the Availability section on Sheet 1 and in the Low Income Discount section on Sheet 2. The change is also made in the Residential Assistance Provision in the Low Income Bill Discounts section on Sheet 1. The Company is making the same change in the applicable provisions of its gas tariff, RIPUC NG-GAS No. 101.

### **Amendments to Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service**

The Company proposes to add the following language to Section 2 of the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service: “By accepting distribution service from the Company pursuant to the terms of this tariff, a Customer expressly consents to the Company, or anyone working on the Company’s behalf, contacting the Customer regarding issues related to

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distribution service and billing and payment, by any method including telephone, autodialed and prerecorded/artificial voice calls, email, text message, and/or letter. By contacting the Company, a Customer may opt-out of receiving non-emergency communications through certain methods.” As explained earlier, this change provides customers notice that the Company may contact customers for non-emergency reasons, and that customers may opt out of receiving such non-emergency communications by contacting the Company. The Company is making the same change to the applicable provision of its gas tariff, RIPUC NG-GAS No. 101. Several of the Company’s affiliates are in the process of requesting approval to make similar changes to their respective tariffs.

Additionally, the Company is making clean up revisions to Line Extension Policy 1, Policy 2, and Policy 3 to reflect the new effective date and tariff number of the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.

**Effective Date**

The above-referenced amended electric tariff provisions are issued December 5, 2018 with a proposed effective date of January 15, 2019.

Thank you for your attention to this filing. Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter at 401-784-7415.

Very truly yours,



Robert J. Humm

Enclosures

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THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY  
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**AVAILABILITY**

Service under this rate is available only to currently qualified customers for all domestic purposes in an individual private dwelling or an individual apartment, providing such customer meets both of the following criteria:

1. Must be the head of a household or principal wage earner; and
2. Must be presently receiving Supplemental Security Income from the Social Security Administration, be eligible for the low-income home energy assistance program, or one of the following from the appropriate Rhode Island agencies: Medicaid, Food Stamps, General Public Assistance or [the Rhode Island Works Program \(formerly known as Family Independence Program\) or successor programs](#).

It is the responsibility of the customer to annually certify, by forms provided by the Company, the continued compliance with the foregoing provisions.

The Company may under unusual circumstances permit more than one set of living quarters to be served through one meter under this rate, but if so, the kilowatt-hours eligible for the credit described below shall be multiplied by the number of separate living quarters so served.

**MONTHLY CHARGE**

The Monthly Charge will be the sum of the applicable Retail Delivery Service Charges set forth in RIPUC No. 2095, Summary of Retail Delivery Rates.

**RATE ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS**

The charges for delivery service under this rate shall be subject to adjustment pursuant to the following provisions:

- Customer Credit Provision
- Energy Efficiency Programs Provision
- Infrastructure, Safety, and Reliability Provision
- LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Provision
- Long Term Contracting for Renewable Energy Recovery Provision
- Long Term Contracting for Renewable Energy Recovery Reconciliation Provision
- Net Metering Provision
- Pension Adjustment Mechanism Provision
- Performance Incentive Recovery Provision
- Qualifying Facilities Power Purchase Rate
- Renewable Energy Growth Program Cost Recovery Provision
- Revenue Decoupling Mechanism Provision
- Residential Assistance Provision
- Standard Offer Service Adjustment Provision
- Storm Fund Replenishment Provision
- Transition Cost Adjustment Provision
- Transmission Service Cost Adjustment Provision

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**STANDARD OFFER SERVICE**

Any Customer served under this rate who is eligible for Standard Offer Service shall receive such service pursuant to the Standard Offer Service tariff.

**LOW INCOME DISCOUNT**

The Customer's total bill for service as determined based upon the provisions above, in addition to charges for generation service billed under the Complete Billing Service option pursuant to §2.1.1 of the Company's Terms and Conditions for Nonregulated Power Producers in effect from time to time, will be discounted by twenty-five (25) percent. Customers receiving benefits through the following programs will receive an additional discount of five (5) percent, totaling a total bill discount of thirty (30) percent: Medicaid, General Public Assistance, or [the Rhode Island Works Program-Family Independence Program or successor programs](#).

**GROSS EARNINGS TAX**

A Rhode Island Gross Earnings Tax adjustment will be applied to the charges determined above in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws.

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

The Company's Terms and Conditions in effect from time to time, where not inconsistent with any specific provisions hereof, are a part of this rate.

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The rates for Retail Delivery Service contained in all of the Company's rate classes except for the Low Income Rate A-60 ("Rate A-60") are subject to adjustment to reflect a Low Income Discount Recovery Factor ("LIDRF") to recover the cost of bill discounts provided to customers receiving Retail Delivery Service on Rate A-60. In addition, the rates for Retail Delivery Service contained in all of the Company's rate classes are subject to adjustment to reflect an Arrearage Management Adjustment Factor ("AMAF") to recover the cost associated with the operation of the Arrearage Management Program ("AMP"). For billing purposes, the LIDRF and the AMAF shall be included with the distribution kilowatt-hour ("kWh") charge on customers' bills.

**LOW INCOME BILL DISCOUNTS**

On an annual basis, the Company shall estimate the discount to be provided to Rate A-60 customers. The estimated discount will be twenty five (25) percent of the forecasted Rate A-60 monthly billing units multiplied by the Rate A-60 customer charge and the sum of the Retail Delivery Service and semi-annual Standard Offer Service energy rates in effect during the period. For those customers who are receiving benefits through Medicaid, General Public Assistance, and/or the [Rhode Island Works Program \(formerly known as Family Independence Program\) or successor programs](#), the estimated discount will be thirty (30) percent of the forecasted Rate A-60 monthly billing units multiplied by the Rate A-60 customer charge and the sum of the Retail Delivery Service and semi-annual Standard Offer Service energy rates in effect during the period. This estimate of the discount shall be used to determine the amount to be reflected in Retail Delivery Service rates on a prospective basis. The amount shall be divided by the estimated kilowatt-hours to be delivered by the Company to all customers excluding customers on Rate A-60. Such per kWh charge is referred to as the LIDRF.

The revenue billed through the LIDRF shall be subject to reconciliation against the actual bill discounts provided during the twelve month reconciliation period for which the LIDRF is in effect, and any over- or under-recovery of the actual discount provided shall be reflected in a subsequent LIDRF.

For purposes of the above reconciliation, the Company shall accumulate the actual discounts provided to Rate A-60 customers and the revenue billed through the LIDRF and shall accrue interest on the difference between these amounts at the interest rate paid on customer deposits on a monthly basis.

Should any balance remain subsequent to the recovery of the over- or under-recovery balance as described above, the Company shall reflect, as an adjustment in the then-current reconciliation period, the amount of the remaining balance.

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**ARREARAGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-2-1(d)(2), commencing on September 1, 2016, the Company shall implement an AMP pursuant to this tariff provision.

I. Program Eligibility

In order to be considered eligible for enrollment in the AMP, a customer who has been terminated from electric service or is recognized, pursuant to a rule or decision by the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, as being scheduled for actual shut-off of service on a specific date, shall meet all of the following criteria:

- The applicant must be the customer of record, although the customer of record may authorize someone else to communicate with the Company to help enroll the customer of record in the AMP;
- The applicant must be eligible for the federal low-income home energy assistance program (“LIHEAP”);
- The account must be receiving retail delivery service on Rate A-60;
- The customer’s account must have a minimum balance of \$300.00 that is more than 60 days past due;
- If service to the account has been terminated, the customer must make an initial payment of 25% of the total unpaid balance (current and past due), unless otherwise directed by the Public Utilities Commission (“PUC”) as a result of an emergency regulation;
- The customer must agree to a payment plan, as further described in Section III;
- The customer must agree to remain current with payments. “Remaining current” means that the customer:
  - 1) misses no more than two (2) payments in the 12-month term of the payment plan; and
  - 2) pays the amount due under the payment plan in full by the conclusion of the payment plan’s 12-month term;
- The customer must agree to participate in the Company’s Energy Efficiency programs; and
- The customer must apply for other available energy assistance programs, such as fuel assistance and weatherization.

II. Enrollment

To participate, the customer must affirmatively apply to participate in the AMP.

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The Company shall administer the AMP enrollment process in compliance with the eligibility qualifications outlined in Section I. By applying to participate in the AMP, the customer agrees to comply with the terms of the AMP, including the customer's specific payment plan. After a customer has applied to the AMP, the Company shall determine whether the customer has met all of the AMP eligibility criteria set forth in Section I, based on the Company's records. The Company will coordinate with the Community Action Program ("CAP") agencies to validate customer eligibility when appropriate.

### III. Payment Plan

AMP participants shall enroll in a 12-month payment plan, paid in equal monthly installments, that will cover new charges based upon their current estimated annual usage ("Payment Plan").

The current component of the Payment Plan shall be based on the customer's average monthly usage for the previous year less the customer's actual or anticipated fuel assistance commitments, and shall be converted to a fixed monthly payment.

### IV. Arrears Forgiveness

AMP participants will be eligible for forgiveness of their account balance that is past due at the time of the first bill under their Payment Plan, up to an annual maximum of \$1,500. With each payment under the Payment Plan, a portion of the participant's outstanding past due account balance as described above is forgiven in an amount equal to the total past due account balance or \$1,500, whichever is less, divided by 12; provided, however, that the annual arrearage forgiveness amount shall not exceed \$1,500.

If an AMP participant's past due account balance at the time their Payment Plan takes effect exceeds \$1,500, the AMP participant may request an extension of the Payment Plan beyond the initial 12-month term to establish a new Payment Plan to accommodate the additional account balance in excess of \$1,500. To be eligible for an extension, the AMP participant must be current with their Payment Plan at the conclusion of the initial 12-month term. Such AMP participant's Payment Plan will be extended upon the AMP participant's timely request for an extension.

### V. Payment Plan Review

Customers applying to participate in the AMP will be advised that the amount of their required monthly payment under their Payment Plan may change over the lifetime of the Payment Plan.

The Company shall review the Payment Plans of active AMP participants every three months and may adjust the installment payments based on the following:

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- A fuel assistance commitment is made subsequent to enrollment;
- There is a change in fuel assistance, such as a change in the amount, from what was understood at enrollment;
- The customer moves to a new address with a different average monthly usage for the previous year;
- Actual usage patterns differ from what was estimated as annual usage at enrollment; or
- There is a significant change in the Company's rates from what was anticipated at enrollment.

VI. Default

The Company shall consider the AMP participant's billing account in default if either of the following occurs:

- The AMP participant misses more than two (2) payments in the 12-month Payment Plan term; or
- If the amount due under the Payment Plan is not paid in full by the conclusion of the 12-month Payment Plan term.

Upon default, the Company shall terminate an AMP participant from the AMP and the customer's unpaid balance will be due and payable in full. However, any arrearage forgiven under the AMP prior to termination of participation in the AMP will remain forgiven.

Customers shall have the option to opt out of continued participation in the AMP at any time, with the understanding that any unpaid balance will be due and payable in full. Customers who voluntarily opt out of the AMP will receive the same treatment as those customers who default on their Payment Plans under the AMP, as set forth in Section X (Subsequent Eligibility).

VII. Termination

In addition to termination upon default, a customer's participation in the AMP shall terminate if the AMP participant moves outside of the Company's service territory.

If a customer is terminated from AMP participation, the customer's unpaid balance will be due and payable in full. However, any arrearage forgiven under the AMP prior to termination of participation in the AMP will remain forgiven.

VIII. Collection Activity

AMP participants shall not be subject to the Company's normal collections activities while actively participating in the AMP. The Company shall resume normal collections activities if an AMP participant defaults while participating in the AMP or terminates the AMP.

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IX. AMP Billing and Active Plan Noticing

The Company shall remove the amount of an AMP participant's arrears balance up to \$1,500 from the "current amount due" field on certain views of AMP participant accounts in the Company's billing system. However, the arrears balance up to \$1,500 shall remain on the customer's bill.

Customers who are enrolled in the AMP will receive an AMP "Enrollment Letter" outlining the terms and conditions of their participation in the AMP.

Customers in danger of defaulting from the AMP will receive a default letter advising them of the need to make all required payments or risk default, termination from the AMP, and a return to the Company's normal collections activities.

X. Subsequent Eligibility

A customer is eligible for subsequent enrollment in the AMP provided two years have passed since either (a) the date of the customer's successful completion of the AMP, or (b) the date on which the customer's participation in the AMP was terminated as a result of default or because the customer voluntarily opted out of the AMP, so long as a CAP agency has provided a recommendation to allow eligibility notwithstanding the customer's default or voluntary opt out of the AMP. The Company shall review requests for re-enrollment on a case-by-case basis to determine that the foregoing criteria are met.

XI. Reporting Metrics

The Company shall report monthly and annually the metrics below to allow for the evaluation of the effectiveness of the AMP. The monthly and annual reports shall be submitted to the PUC in Docket No. 4290.

- Number of customers enrolled in the program at the end of the reporting period;
- Number of customers added to the program during the reporting period;
- Number of customers terminated from the program (by choice or default) during the reporting period;
- Number of customers who successfully completed the program during the reporting period;
- Total customer payments during the reporting period;
- Total amount to be forgiven for all participating customers at the end of the reporting period;
- Average amount to be forgiven for all participating customers at the end of the reporting period;
- Total amount to be paid under a payment plan for all participating customers at the end of the reporting period;

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- Average arrears balance not yet forgiven of all participating customers at the end of the reporting period;
- Average arrears balance as a percentage of the total balance due for all participating customers at the end of the reporting period;
- Total amount of arrears outstanding for all participants at the end of the reporting period;
- Total amount of forgiveness credits (allowances) given during the reporting period;
- Number of forgiveness credits (allowances) given during the reporting period;
- Average amount of forgiveness credits (allowances) given during the reporting period;
- Number of participants receiving LIHEAP at the end of the reporting period;
- Percentage of participants receiving LIHEAP at the end of the reporting period; and
- Total LIHEAP payments received during the reporting period.

The Company shall also provide a schedule with the number of customers enrolled in the AMP, by month, together with the number of defaults and program terminations.

XII. AMP Cost Recovery

The rates for Retail Delivery Service contained in all the rates of the Company are subject to adjustment to reflect the AMAF designed to recover incremental costs incurred associated with the AMP. Incremental costs include the amount of arrearage forgiven. The recovery of the arrearage amounts forgiven by the Company through the AMP is dependent on the following criteria:

- i. If a customer does not satisfy the conditions of R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-2-1(d)(2), the amount of arrearage forgiven by the Company to that point shall remain forgiven and be written off by the Company. However, the amount of arrearage forgiven by the Company is recoverable in full.
- ii. If a customer does satisfy the conditions of R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-2-1(d)(2), all arrearage amounts forgiven will be treated as bad debt. At the end of each calendar year, the Company will perform a test to determine if the amount of bad debt for the year exceeds the adjusted allowable bad debt from the Company's most recent general rate case. This adjusted allowable bad debt will be calculated using the distribution uncollectible amount determined in the last general rate case, updated for the current calendar year Standard Offer Service, transmission, Renewable Energy Growth, Long Term Contracting for Renewable Energy Recovery, and energy efficiency-related bad debt. Should the actual amount of bad debt incurred by the Company for the year exceed this adjusted allowable bad debt amount, the Company will be entitled to recover, in the following year, all amounts of arrearage forgiven under R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-2-1(d)(2)(xiv) in the prior year in excess of the allowable bad debt. If, however, the amount of the arrearage forgiven under § 39-2-1(d)(2)(xiv) in excess of the adjusted allowable bad debt for a given year is not significant enough to calculate an annual reconciling factor for that year, the

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Company may reflect such amount in its next Revenue Decoupling Mechanism reconciliation filing.

The AMAF shall be a uniform per kilowatt-hour factor based on the estimated kilowatt-hours to be delivered by the Company to its retail delivery customers over a 12-month period. Should any balance remain outstanding subsequent to the recovery of costs associated with the AMP as described above, the Company shall reflect this balance as an adjustment in the subsequent period's AMP recovery.

**ADJUSTMENT TO RATES**

Adjustments to rates pursuant to the Residential Assistance Provision are subject to review and approval by the PUC. Modifications to the factors contained in this Provision shall be made in accordance with a notice filed with the PUC pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-3-11(a) setting forth the amount(s) of the revised factor(s) and the amount(s) of the increase(s) or decrease(s). The notice shall further specify the effective date of such charges.

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## POLICY 1

## LINE EXTENSION POLICY FOR INDIVIDUAL RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS

When an individual residential customer (“Customer”) requests that a distribution line be extended to serve such customer’s home whether over private property, along common way or along a public way, the terms of this policy shall apply. This policy applies only to the installation of electric service by The Narragansett Electric Company (“Company”). The Customer should contact other utilities to determine the utilities’ requirements governing the provision of their service and whether any costs and/or requirements are to be the responsibility of the Customer.

1. Installation of Overhead Distribution Line

The Company will provide a regular overhead 120/240 volts, single phase, three (3) wire service up to a capacity limit of 50 kVA for the Customer. The Company will determine the route of the distribution line in consultation with the Customer.

2. Distance of Overhead Distribution Line Allowed Without Charge

The Company will provide up to two poles and two spans of overhead distribution line needed to serve the Customer plus a service drop (that does not require a carrier pole) to the Customer’s home free of charge.

3. Overhead Line Extension

If more than two poles and two spans of overhead distribution line are required to serve the Customer’s home, the Customer will pay an “Overhead Installation Charge,” as determined below.

The Overhead Installation Charge will be equal to the number of feet of distribution line (beyond two poles and two spans) required to serve the Customer’s home, multiplied by the “Overhead Cost Per Foot” (as defined in section 9 below), plus the applicable tax contribution factor.

When overhead service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. installing (or having others install), owning (individually or jointly) and maintaining (individually or jointly) all poles, primary and secondary wires, transformers, service drops, meters, etc. that, in its opinion are required to provide

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adequate service;

- ii. designating the location of all Company owned equipment, excluding streetlights, and the service entrance and meter location(s); and
- iii. blasting and tree trimming and removal along public ways; the Company may charge the Customer the cost of such blasting and tree trimming and removal if, in the Company's opinion, such cost is excessive; excessive cost shall be defined as the type of work which requires the Company to contract with a third party to remove ledge through blasting or to trim trees for the purposes of clearing the space needed for the line work.

The Customer, at no cost to the Company, shall be responsible for:

- i. blasting and tree trimming and removal on private property, including roadways not accepted as public ways by the municipality, in accordance with the Company's specifications and subject to the Company's inspection.

4. Payment Terms

For Overhead Installation Charges up to \$6,000, the Customer will be required to pay the entire amount before the start of construction. If the Overhead Installation Charge is greater than \$6,000, the Customer will have the option to either pay the entire amount before the start of construction, or pay \$6,000 before the start of construction and pay the amount in excess of \$6,000 under a payment plan. The term of the payment plan will be based on equal payments of at least \$75 per month until the amount in excess of \$6,000 is paid in its entirety. The term of the payment plan is not to exceed a period of five (5) years or sixty (60) months. The amount collected under the payment plan will include interest at the rate of interest applicable to the Company's customer deposit accounts.

5. More Than One Customer

Where overhead service is requested by more than one Customer for the same line, the Overhead Installation Charge will be prorated among those Customers, based on the amount of line attributable to each Customer. The calculation of the Overhead Installation Charge shall allow for a credit equal to the Overhead Cost Per Foot of two poles and two spans for each

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Customer.

6. Customer Added After Initial Construction

If a new Customer (or group of customers) is supplied service from facilities constructed under this policy, and if such service begins within five (5) years from the date of the first payment received by the Company from the original Customer or group of Customers, the Company will require such new Customer(s) to make prorated contribution to payment of the balance of the Overhead Installation Charge. Any contribution received from a new Customer will be used to proportionately reduce the balance owed by the initial Customer(s). In addition, a credit of two poles and two spans per customer will be applied against the remaining balance. However, no refunds will be paid if the credit exceeds the balance.

7. Change of Customer

The Customer must agree, as a condition for the line extension monthly payment terms, that if he/she sells, leases or otherwise transfers control and use of the home to another individual ("New Occupant"), and such New Occupant opens a new account with the Company, the Customer will obtain an agreement from such New Occupant to pay the remaining balance as prescribed in the agreement of the Overhead Installation Charge that would have been owed by the Customer at that location. Otherwise, the Customer will remain personally liable for the balance owed.

The Company reserves the right to place a lien on the property until such time that the obligation is fulfilled.

8. Underground Lines

If the Customer requests an underground distribution line in lieu of the standard overhead line, the Company will give reasonable consideration to the request. If the Company believes that there are technical complications, safety issues, engineering concerns, or other reasonable concerns regarding the feasibility and/or maintenance of an underground system in the given circumstances, the Company may decline to provide underground service.

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If the Company agrees to an underground service, the Company will estimate the cost of providing the underground line to the home, using a predetermined underground cost per foot (“Underground Cost Per Foot”). The Customer will be required to pay an “Underground Charge” equal to:

- i. the Company’s estimated cost of installing the underground line (based on Underground Cost Per Foot); minus
- ii. an amount equal to the Overhead Cost Per Foot of two poles and two spans; plus
- iii. a tax contribution factor based on the value of donated property and/or any cash contribution.

When the above results in a negative number, there shall be no Underground Charge.

The Underground Charge shall be paid by the customer in advance of the Company’s construction (even if it exceeds \$6,000) and is nonrefundable if the line is built.

The Customer will be responsible for removal of ledge, trenching, backfilling in accordance with the Company’s construction standards and/or the “Specifications for Electrical Installations” booklet as published by the Company from time to time, and shall comply with codes and requirements of legally constituted authorities having jurisdiction.

In addition, the Customer will be responsible for:

- i. providing, prior to the start of the Company’s construction, all applicable supporting documents and site plans required for the Company to prepare design drawings and easements, to be provided by the Customer in accordance with Section 14 below, for its facilities to be installed on private property;
- ii. providing and installing all required foundations (except for Company owned street light foundations), handholes, manholes, grounding systems, secondary cable, all conduit including spacers, glue and pulling strings,
- iii. etc. as indicated on the Company’s plan and related construction documents;

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- iv. installing foundations, provided by the Company, for Company-owned street lights;
- v. supplying copies of all invoices, when requested, indicating manufacturer and part number for all such equipment listed above; equipment that is not approved shall not be used without the prior written consent of the Company;
- vi. installing, owning, and maintaining all secondary services and service conduit from the Company's equipment to the designated meter location(s); and
- vii. turning over ownership of the conduit system, excluding the service conduit, to the Company upon inspection and acceptance of the conduit system by the Company.

When underground service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. supplying a list of approved manufacturers and their part numbers for equipment to be supplied by the Customer;
  - ii. designating the location of all Company owned equipment, excluding street lights, and the service entrance and meter location(s);
  - iii. providing Company-owned street light foundations;
  - iv. providing, installing, owning and maintaining the transformer, Company owned street lights, meter and primary cable;
  - v. making all connections to Company equipment; and
  - vi. inspecting the underground conduit system and equipment foundations installed by the Customer, prior to backfilling.
9. Publication of Current Per Foot Costs

The Overhead Costs Per Foot and Underground Costs Per Foot for new construction shall be as calculated by the Company and placed on file with the Public Utilities Commission.

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These costs are included in the attachment to this policy.

10. Tree Trimming

The Customer will be responsible for all necessary tree trimming on private property. Tree trimming along public ways and common ways will remain the responsibility of the Company but may cause additional charges to be billed to the Customer if the type of work requires the Company to contract with a third party to trim trees for the purposes of clearing the space needed for the line work.

11. Line Extension Agreement

The Company will require the Customer to sign a Line Extension Agreement setting forth the terms of this policy and any other terms that the Company deems are reasonably necessary in connection with the installation line to the Customer's home, provided that such terms are not inconsistent with the terms expressed in this policy.

12. Temporary Service

This policy shall not apply to lines constructed for temporary service, unless the Company, in its sole discretion, deems it appropriate in the given circumstances of each case.

13. Winter Moratorium on Underground Construction

From the period of December 15 to April 1, the Company may decline, in its sole discretion, to install any underground facilities.

14. Easements

The Company will, as a condition on the installation of the service, require the Customer to provide the Company with an executed easement (drafted by the Company) for all facilities located on private property. The Customer will provide the easement prior to the start of the Company's construction and at no cost to the Company. In the event that third party rights are required for the Customer's installation, the Customer will be responsible for obtaining all third party rights or crossings at the Customer's expense.

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15. Customer Request to Upgrade Service

When, in the Company's opinion, the Company is required to upgrade its distribution line, or any associated equipment, in order to accommodate a Customer's upgrade of the existing main switch to the Customer's premises, the terms of Policy 3 shall apply.

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The Per Foot Costs referred to in the above policy are as follows:

Underground Cost Per Foot:	\$37.30
Overhead Cost Per Foot:	\$37.68

These costs are effective until the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission is notified in writing of any changes (with a copy of the written notice provided to the Rhode Island Builders Association).

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The following Terms and Conditions where not inconsistent with the rates are a part of all rates. The provisions of these Terms and Conditions apply to all persons, partnerships, corporations or others (the Customer) who obtain local distribution service from The Narragansett Electric Company (the Company) and to companies that are nonregulated power producers, as defined in Rhode Island General Laws. All policies, standards, specifications, and documents referred to herein have been filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (Commission) and Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (Division), and such documents and any revisions have been filed at least 30 days before becoming effective. Compliance by the Customer and nonregulated power producer is a condition precedent to the initial and continuing delivery of electricity by the Company.

#### Service Connection

1. The Company shall furnish on request detailed information on the method and manner of making service connections. Such detailed information may include a copy of the Company's Specifications for Electrical Installations booklet, as may be amended from time to time, a description of the service available, connections necessary between the Company's facilities and the Customer's premises, location and access of service connection facilities and metering equipment, and Customer and Company responsibilities for installation of facilities.

The Customer shall wire to the point designated by the Company, at which point the Company will connect its facilities. In addition, the Customer's facilities shall comply with any reasonable construction and equipment standards required by the Company for safe, reliable, and cost efficient service. For a service meeting Company requirements (which requirements are set forth on the Company's website at [www.nationalgridus/connects](http://www.nationalgridus/connects)), the Company may also permit this connection to be made by a licensed electrician in good standing with the authority having jurisdiction, as required by applicable law, and who is registered with the Company, provided, however, that the Company gives no warranty to the Customer, express or implied, as to the knowledge, training, reliability, honesty, fitness, or performance of any electrician registered with the Company for this purpose, and the Company shall not be liable for any damages or injuries caused by any electrician who may be used for such purpose.

#### Application for Service

2. Application for new service or alteration to an existing service should be made as far in advance as possible to assure time for engineering, ordering of material, and construction. Upon the Company's reasonable request, the Customer shall provide to the Company all data and plans reasonably needed to process this application. [By accepting distribution service from the Company pursuant to the terms of this tariff, a Customer expressly consents to the Company, or anyone working on the Company's behalf, contacting the Customer regarding issues related to distribution service and billing and payment, by any method including telephone, autodialed and prerecorded/artificial voice calls, email, text message, and/or letter. By contacting the Company,](#)

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[a Customer may opt-out of receiving non-emergency communications through certain methods.](#)

### Line Extensions [Overhead (OH) & Underground (UG)]

3. The Company shall construct or install overhead or underground distribution facilities or other equipment determined by the Company to be appropriate under the following policies: Line Extension Policy for Residential Developments, Line Extension Policy for Individual Residential Customers, and Line Extension and Construction Advance Policy for Commercial, Industrial and Existing Residential Customers. Whenever it is necessary to provide service and a Customer requests the Company to extend or install poles, distribution lines or other service equipment to the Customer's home, premises or facility in order to supply service, the Company will furnish the necessary poles, wires, or equipment in accordance with the Company's "Line Extension and Construction Advance Policies" on file with the Commission. Except as provided in the "Policies", all such equipment, poles, and wires shall remain the property of the Company and be maintained by it in accordance with the "Policies". To the extent that any Company property needs to be located on private property, the Company will require the Customer to furnish a permanent easement.

### Attachments

4. Any individual or organization who requests an attachment to distribution facilities, utility poles, or along any span between such poles, shall comply with the Company's specifications and policies governing the type of construction, metering, attachment fees, easements, permissions and electrical inspections required.

### Outside Basic Local Distribution Services

5. Customers requesting the Company to arrange for Customer facility outages or additional maintenance or construction not normally part of basic local distribution service will be notified in a reasonable timely manner by the Company that the customer shall be required to pay the Company's costs of reasonably meeting the request.

### Acquisition of Necessary Permits

6. The Company shall make, or cause to be made, application for any necessary street permits, and shall not be required to supply service until a reasonable time after such permits are granted. The Customer shall obtain or cause to be obtained all permits or certificates, except street permits, necessary to give the Company or its agents' access to the Customer's equipment and to enable its conductors to be connected with the Customer's equipment.

### Service to "Out-Building"

7. The Company shall not be required to install service or meter for a garage, barn or other out-building, so located that it may be supplied with electricity through a service and meter in the main building.

### Customer Furnished Equipment

8. The Customer shall furnish and install upon its premises such service conductors, service equipment, including circuit breaker if used, and meter mounting device as shall conform with specifications issued from time to time by the Company, and the Company will seal such service equipment and meter mounting device, and adjust, set and seal such circuit breaker, and such seals shall not be broken and such adjustments or settings shall not be changed or in any way interfered with by the Customer.

The Customer shall furnish and maintain, at no cost to the Company, the necessary space, housing, fencing, and foundations for all equipment that is installed on its premises in order to supply the Customer with local distribution service, whether such equipment is furnished by the Customer or the Company. Such space, housing, fencing, and foundations shall be in conformity with the Company's specifications and subject to its approval.

### Up-Keep of Customer Equipment

9. The Customer's wiring, piping, apparatus and equipment shall, at all times, conform to the requirements of any legally constituted authorities and to those of the Company, and the Customer shall keep such wiring, piping, apparatus and equipment in proper repair.

### Installation of Meters

10. Meters of either the indoor or outdoor type shall be installed by the Company at locations to be designated by the Company. The Company may at any time change any meter installed by it. The Company may also change the location of any meter or change from an indoor type to an outdoor type, provided that the cost of the change shall be borne by the Company except when such change is pursuant to the provisions of Paragraph 11. Upon the reading of the Company's meter all bills shall be computed. If more than one meter is installed, unless it is installed at the Company's option, the monthly charge for local distribution service delivered through each meter shall be computed separately under the applicable rates.

Unless otherwise determined by the Company, all residential premises shall be equipped with a meter that employs Automatic Meter Reading ("AMR") technology utilizing radio frequency transmitters to allow the Company to obtain meter readings remotely. However, residential customers may choose to "opt-out" by having their AMR meter replaced with a non-AMR meter.

Customers who choose to opt-out will be charged an initial fee of \$27.00 for the removal of the existing AMR electric meter and the installation of the non-AMR electric meter. Customers who choose to opt-out will also be charged a monthly meter reading fee of \$13.00 for the non-AMR electric meter. The meter reading fee is applicable to customers who receive gas and electric service, or receive electric-only service, from the Company. The Company, at its option, may choose to read the non-AMR meter less frequently than once per month. In that case, or if the Company is unable for any reason to read the meter on the regularly scheduled monthly read date, the Company shall make a reasonable estimate of the consumption of electricity during those months when the meter is not read, based on available data, and such estimated bills shall

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be payable as rendered. A customer will not be assessed the initial or monthly fee until after the Company has installed the non-AMR electric meter.

Any opt-out customer who subsequently wishes to have an AMR electric meter re-installed will be charged a “re-installation fee” of \$27.00. The re-installation fee will be charged for the removal of the non-AMR meter and the installation of the AMR meter. Any customer electing re-installation will no longer be assessed the special monthly meter reading fee after the AMR meter has been re-installed.

#### Unauthorized and Unmetered Use

11. Whenever the Company determines that an unauthorized and unmetered use of electricity is being made on the premises of a Customer and is causing a loss of revenue to the Company, the Company may, at the Customer’s expense, make such changes in the location of its meters, appliance and equipment on said premises as will, in the opinion of the Company, prevent such unauthorized and unmetered use from being made.

#### Definition of Month

12. Whenever reference is made to “month” in connection with electricity delivered or payments to be made, it shall mean the period between two successive regular monthly meter readings or estimated meter readings, the second of which occurs in the month to which reference is made. If the Company is unable to read the meter when scheduled, the necessary billing determinants may be estimated. Bills may be rendered on such estimated basis and will be payable as so rendered.

#### Payment Due Date – Interest Charge

13. All bills shall be due and payable upon receipt. Bills rendered to customers, other than individually metered residential customers, on which payment has not been received by the “Please Pay By” date as shown on the bill, shall bear interest, at the rate of 1¼% per month on any unpaid balance, including any outstanding interest charges, from the date of receipt until the date of payment. The “Please Pay By” date corresponds to the next normal bill preparation date. Bills disputed in good faith by a Customer will not be subject to the late payment charge until after the dispute is resolved.

Customer payment responsibilities with their nonregulated power producer will be governed by the particular Customer/nonregulated power producer contract. Payments made through the Company for electricity purchased from a nonregulated power supplier will be applied first to any Narragansett charges or arrearages.

#### Returned Check Fee

14. A \$8.00 Fee shall be charged to the Customer for each check presented to the Company that is not honored by the financial institution. This fee shall be applicable only where the check has been dishonored after being deposited for a second time.

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#### Seasonal Customers

15. Seasonal Customers are those using local distribution services between June 1 and September 30 only, or those using local distribution services principally between June 1 and September 30 and incidentally or intermittently during the rest of the year.

#### Deposit and Security

16. The Company may require a cash deposit or other collateral satisfactory to it as security for prompt payment of the Customer's indebtedness to the Company. The rate of interest shall be adjusted on March 1 annually. The interest rate in effect in any year shall be based on the average rate over the prior calendar year for 10-year constant maturity Treasury Bonds as reported by the Federal Reserve Board.

#### Payments for Line Extensions

17. The Company may require a Customer to pay for all or a portion of the cost of extending or installing poles, distribution lines, or equipment to the Customer's home, premises or facility, consistent with the terms of the Company's "Line Extension and Construction Advance Policies." The Company's line extension policies are included in Appendix A to this tariff.

#### Lighting Service Charge

18. The Company may assess a Lighting Service Charge of \$116.00 for Company services rendered in response to a Customer request in support of Customer equipment where the condition, service or connection is unrelated to the performance of facilities owned by the Company. A Lighting Service Charge per each occurrence will be assessed to the Customer on their subsequent bill.

#### Determining Customer's Demand

19. The demand is the maximum rate of taking electricity. Under ordinary load conditions it will be based upon one or more fifteen-minute peaks as herein defined. A fifteen-minute peak is the average rate of delivery of electricity during any fifteen-minute period as determined by any suitable instrument chosen by the Company. In the case of extremely fluctuating load, however, where the demand based on the average over fifteen minutes does not fairly represent the maximum demand imposed by the Customer, the demand will be based upon the instantaneous peak or the peak for a shorter period than fifteen minutes. Such measurements will be made by any suitable instrument chosen by the Company. The demand which is billed to the Customer is determined according to the terms of the appropriate tariffs approved by the Commission from time to time.

#### Customer Changing Rates

20. The Customer may change from the rate under which he is purchasing electricity to any

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other rate applicable to a class of service which he is receiving. Any change, however, shall not be retroactive, nor reduce, eliminate or modify any contract period, provision or guarantee made in respect to any line extension or other special condition. Nor shall such change cause such service to be billed at any rate for a period less than that specified in such rate except during the first year of electric service to any Customer. A Customer having changed from one rate to another may not again change within twelve months or within any longer contract period specified in the rate under which he is receiving electric service.

#### Discontinuance of Service

21. Subject to the Rules and Regulations of the Commission, the Company shall have the right to discontinue its service upon due notice and to remove its property from the premises in case the Customer fails to pay any bill due the Company for such service, or fails to perform any of its obligations to the Company. For restoration of service after such discontinuance, a reconnection charge of \$32.00 will be made.

#### Right of Access

22. The Company shall have the right of access to the Customer's premises at all reasonable times for the purpose of examining or removing the Company's meters, and other appliances and equipment. During emergency conditions, the Company shall have the right of access to the Customer's premises at all hours of the day to make conditions safe and/or to restore service.

#### Safeguarding Company Equipment

23. The Customer shall not permit access for any purpose whatsoever, except by authorized employees of the Company, to the meter or other appliances and equipment of the Company, or interfere with the same, and shall provide for their safe keeping. In case of loss or damage of the Company's property, the Customer shall pay to the Company the value of such property or the cost of making good the same.

#### Temporary Service

24. A temporary connection is local distribution service which does not continue for a sufficient period to yield the Company adequate revenue at its regular local distribution service rates to justify the expenditures necessary to provide such a connection. The Company may require a Customer requesting a temporary connection to pay the full amount of the estimated cost of installing and removing the requested connection, less estimated salvage value, in advance of the installation of the connection by the Company. In addition, the customer shall pay the applicable regular local distribution service and, if applicable, standard offer service rates.

#### Limitation of Liability for Service Problems

25. The Company shall not be liable for any damage to equipment or facilities using electricity which damage is a result of Service Problems, or any economic losses which are a consequence of Service Problems. For purposes of this paragraph, the term "Service Problems" means any

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service interruption, power outage, voltage or amperage, fluctuations, discontinuance of service, reversal of its service, or irregular service caused by accident, labor difficulties, condition of fuel supply or equipment, federal or state agency order, failure to receive any electricity for which the Company has contracted, or any other causes beyond the Company's immediate control.

However, if the Company is unable for any reason to supply electricity for a continuous period of two days or more, then upon the request of the Customer, the Demand Charge, if any, shall be suspended for the duration of such inability.

The Company shall not be liable for damage to the person or property of the Customer or any other persons resulting from the use of electricity or the presence of the Company's appliances and equipment on the Customer's premises.

#### Limitation on Use of Electricity - Auxiliary & Temporary Local Distribution Service

26. Local distribution service supplied by the Company shall not be used to supplement or relay, or as standby or back up to any other electrical source or service except under the provisions of the Back-Up Service Rate, unless the Customer shall makes such guarantees with respect to the payment for such local distribution service as shall be just and reasonable in each case. Where such local distribution service is supplied, the Customer shall not operate its generation in parallel with the Company's system without the consent of the Company, and then only under such conditions as the Company may specify from time to time.

#### Company Right to Place Facilities on Customer Property

27. The Company has the right to place on a Customer's property facilities to provide and meter electric service to the Customer.

#### Company Right to Request a Guarantee

28. Whenever the estimated expenditures for the services or equipment necessary to deliver electricity to a Customer's premises shall be of such an amount that the income to be derived there at the applicable rates will, in the opinion of the Company, be insufficient to warrant such expenditures, the Company may require a Customer to guarantee a minimum annual payment or commitment for a term of years, or to pay the whole or a part of the cost of such equipment.

#### Fluctuating Load & Harmonic Distortion

29. In certain instances, extreme fluctuating loads or harmonic distortions which are created by a Customer's machinery or equipment may impair service to other Customers. If the fluctuating load or harmonic distortion causes a deterioration of the Company's service to other customers, the Company shall specify a service arrangement that avoids the deterioration and the Customer owning or operating the equipment that causes the fluctuation or distortion shall pay the cost to implement the new service arrangement together with applicable taxes.

#### Customer Tax Liability

30. The Company shall collect taxes imposed by governmental authorities on services provided or products sold by the Company. It shall be the Customer's responsibility to identify and request any exemption from the collection of the tax by filing appropriate documentation with the Company.

#### Customer/Supplier Relationship

31. For electricity supplied by nonregulated power producers, the Company is a local distribution service provider of electricity supplied by others. When such electricity is supplied and delivered to the Company's local distribution supply point, the Company then performs a delivery service for the electricity. Ownership of such electricity lies with either the non-regulated power producer or Customer, as per the specific agreement between the Customer and the nonregulated power producer. In no case shall the Company be liable for loss of electricity.

#### Billing Termination ("Soft-Off")

32. When a customer has requested termination of service and an estimated or actual final meter reading is recorded, and the account is not subject to a shut-off order or request, the Company may choose to utilize a "Soft-Off" termination, defined as the termination of an account by the Company for billing purposes where there is no new customer of record and the actual flow of electricity to the premises is not disconnected.

In the event of a termination of an account for which there is no unbilled consumption, a landlord may initiate an application for service in the landlord's name at that premises by either oral or written request in accordance with Section 2 of this tariff; provided however, that in the event of a termination of an account for which there is any unbilled consumption, a landlord may initiate an application for service in the landlord's name only upon providing the Company with a signed authorization. In addition, where the landlord has previously provided the Company a signed agreement, the Company may record the landlord as the customer of record for that account without further authorization.

When metered consumption at a premises where a Soft Off termination has been implemented exceeds 100 kilowatt-hours in a month, the Company will send notification to the premises indicating that service shall be terminated pursuant to the Commission and Division's rules and regulations governing the termination of service if an account is not established. When metered consumption at the location exceeds an aggregate of 250 kilowatt-hours, service to the location will be terminated; provided however that where such a termination would affect the statutory and/or termination rights of other electric customers at that location, service will be terminated at the Soft Off premises as soon as the Company is able to accomplish the termination so as not to conflict with the rights provided under the Commission and Division's rules and regulations governing the termination of service for the other customers.

#### Paperless Billing & Electronic Payments

33. Customers may elect to receive and pay their bill electronically. Such customers electing to

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receive their bills electronically will receive a paperless billing credit of \$0.37 per account, per billing period.

#### Customer Notice and Right to Appeal

34. Where practicable, the Company will give the Customer reasonable notice of actions taken pursuant to these Terms & Conditions. The Customer shall have the right to appeal, pursuant to the Division's Rules of Practice and Procedure, all action taken by the Company hereunder.

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When an individual residential customer (“Customer”) requests that a distribution line be extended to serve such customer’s home whether over private property, along common way or along a public way, the terms of this policy shall apply. This policy applies only to the installation of electric service by The Narragansett Electric Company (“Company”). The Customer should contact other utilities to determine the utilities’ requirements governing the provision of their service and whether any costs and/or requirements are to be the responsibility of the Customer.

1. Installation of Overhead Distribution Line

The Company will provide a regular overhead 120/240 volts, single phase, three (3) wire service up to a capacity limit of 50 kVA for the Customer. The Company will determine the route of the distribution line in consultation with the Customer.

2. Distance of Overhead Distribution Line Allowed Without Charge

The Company will provide up to two poles and two spans of overhead distribution line needed to serve the Customer plus a service drop (that does not require a carrier pole) to the Customer’s home free of charge.

3. Overhead Line Extension

If more than two poles and two spans of overhead distribution line are required to serve the Customer’s home, the Customer will pay an “Overhead Installation Charge,” as determined below.

The Overhead Installation Charge will be equal to the number of feet of distribution line (beyond two poles and two spans) required to serve the Customer’s home, multiplied by the “Overhead Cost Per Foot” (as defined in section 9 below), plus the applicable tax contribution factor.

When overhead service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. installing (or having others install), owning (individually or jointly) and maintaining (individually or jointly) all poles, primary and secondary wires, transformers, service drops, meters, etc. that, in its opinion are required to provide

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adequate service;

- ii. designating the location of all Company owned equipment, excluding streetlights, and the service entrance and meter location(s); and
- iii. blasting and tree trimming and removal along public ways; the Company may charge the Customer the cost of such blasting and tree trimming and removal if, in the Company's opinion, such cost is excessive; excessive cost shall be defined as the type of work which requires the Company to contract with a third party to remove ledge through blasting or to trim trees for the purposes of clearing the space needed for the line work.

The Customer, at no cost to the Company, shall be responsible for:

- i. blasting and tree trimming and removal on private property, including roadways not accepted as public ways by the municipality, in accordance with the Company's specifications and subject to the Company's inspection.

4. Payment Terms

For Overhead Installation Charges up to \$6,000, the Customer will be required to pay the entire amount before the start of construction. If the Overhead Installation Charge is greater than \$6,000, the Customer will have the option to either pay the entire amount before the start of construction, or pay \$6,000 before the start of construction and pay the amount in excess of \$6,000 under a payment plan. The term of the payment plan will be based on equal payments of at least \$75 per month until the amount in excess of \$6,000 is paid in its entirety. The term of the payment plan is not to exceed a period of five (5) years or sixty (60) months. The amount collected under the payment plan will include interest at the rate of interest applicable to the Company's customer deposit accounts.

5. More Than One Customer

Where overhead service is requested by more than one Customer for the same line, the Overhead Installation Charge will be prorated among those Customers, based on the amount of line attributable to each Customer. The calculation of the Overhead Installation Charge shall allow for a credit equal to the Overhead Cost Per Foot of two poles and two spans for each

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Customer.

6. Customer Added After Initial Construction

If a new Customer (or group of customers) is supplied service from facilities constructed under this policy, and if such service begins within five (5) years from the date of the first payment received by the Company from the original Customer or group of Customers, the Company will require such new Customer(s) to make prorated contribution to payment of the balance of the Overhead Installation Charge. Any contribution received from a new Customer will be used to proportionately reduce the balance owed by the initial Customer(s). In addition, a credit of two poles and two spans per customer will be applied against the remaining balance. However, no refunds will be paid if the credit exceeds the balance.

7. Change of Customer

The Customer must agree, as a condition for the line extension monthly payment terms, that if he/she sells, leases or otherwise transfers control and use of the home to another individual ("New Occupant"), and such New Occupant opens a new account with the Company, the Customer will obtain an agreement from such New Occupant to pay the remaining balance as prescribed in the agreement of the Overhead Installation Charge that would have been owed by the Customer at that location. Otherwise, the Customer will remain personally liable for the balance owed.

The Company reserves the right to place a lien on the property until such time that the obligation is fulfilled.

8. Underground Lines

If the Customer requests an underground distribution line in lieu of the standard overhead line, the Company will give reasonable consideration to the request. If the Company believes that there are technical complications, safety issues, engineering concerns, or other reasonable concerns regarding the feasibility and/or maintenance of an underground system in the given circumstances, the Company may decline to provide underground service.

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If the Company agrees to an underground service, the Company will estimate the cost of providing the underground line to the home, using a predetermined underground cost per foot (“Underground Cost Per Foot”). The Customer will be required to pay an “Underground Charge” equal to:

- i. the Company’s estimated cost of installing the underground line (based on Underground Cost Per Foot); minus
- ii. an amount equal to the Overhead Cost Per Foot of two poles and two spans; plus
- iii. a tax contribution factor based on the value of donated property and/or any cash contribution.

When the above results in a negative number, there shall be no Underground Charge.

The Underground Charge shall be paid by the customer in advance of the Company’s construction (even if it exceeds \$6,000) and is nonrefundable if the line is built.

The Customer will be responsible for removal of ledge, trenching, backfilling in accordance with the Company’s construction standards and/or the “Specifications for Electrical Installations” booklet as published by the Company from time to time, and shall comply with codes and requirements of legally constituted authorities having jurisdiction.

In addition, the Customer will be responsible for:

- i. providing, prior to the start of the Company’s construction, all applicable supporting documents and site plans required for the Company to prepare design drawings and easements, to be provided by the Customer in accordance with Section 14 below, for its facilities to be installed on private property;
- ii. providing and installing all required foundations (except for Company owned street light foundations), handholes, manholes, grounding systems, secondary cable, all conduit including spacers, glue and pulling strings,
- iii. etc. as indicated on the Company’s plan and related construction documents;

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- iv. installing foundations, provided by the Company, for Company-owned street lights;
- v. supplying copies of all invoices, when requested, indicating manufacturer and part number for all such equipment listed above; equipment that is not approved shall not be used without the prior written consent of the Company;
- vi. installing, owning, and maintaining all secondary services and service conduit from the Company's equipment to the designated meter location(s); and
- vii. turning over ownership of the conduit system, excluding the service conduit, to the Company upon inspection and acceptance of the conduit system by the Company.

When underground service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. supplying a list of approved manufacturers and their part numbers for equipment to be supplied by the Customer;
  - ii. designating the location of all Company owned equipment, excluding street lights, and the service entrance and meter location(s);
  - iii. providing Company-owned street light foundations;
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These costs are included in the attachment to this policy.

10. Tree Trimming

The Customer will be responsible for all necessary tree trimming on private property. Tree trimming along public ways and common ways will remain the responsibility of the Company but may cause additional charges to be billed to the Customer if the type of work requires the Company to contract with a third party to trim trees for the purposes of clearing the space needed for the line work.

11. Line Extension Agreement

The Company will require the Customer to sign a Line Extension Agreement setting forth the terms of this policy and any other terms that the Company deems are reasonably necessary in connection with the installation line to the Customer's home, provided that such terms are not inconsistent with the terms expressed in this policy.

12. Temporary Service

This policy shall not apply to lines constructed for temporary service, unless the Company, in its sole discretion, deems it appropriate in the given circumstances of each case.

13. Winter Moratorium on Underground Construction

From the period of December 15 to April 1, the Company may decline, in its sole discretion, to install any underground facilities.

14. Easements

The Company will, as a condition on the installation of the service, require the Customer to provide the Company with an executed easement (drafted by the Company) for all facilities located on private property. The Customer will provide the easement prior to the start of the Company's construction and at no cost to the Company. In the event that third party rights are required for the Customer's installation, the Customer will be responsible for obtaining all third party rights or crossings at the Customer's expense.

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15. Customer Request to Upgrade Service

When, in the Company's opinion, the Company is required to upgrade its distribution line, or any associated equipment, in order to accommodate a Customer's upgrade of the existing main switch to the Customer's premises, the terms of Policy 3 shall apply.

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Underground Cost Per Foot:	\$37.30
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When a developer, contractor, builder or other customer (“Developer”) proposing to construct a residential development or individual homes requests that distribution lines be constructed to serve the development or homes, the terms of this policy shall apply. This policy applies only to the installation of electric service by The Narragansett Electric Company (“Company”). The Developer should contact other utilities to determine the utilities’ requirements governing the provision of their service and whether any costs and/or requirements are to be the responsibility of the Developer.

1. Installation of Overhead Distribution Lines

The Company will provide a regular overhead distribution line to the development or individual homes designed to provide regular residential service to each home proposed in the project. The Company will determine the route of the line in consultation with the Developer. The Developer shall wire to the point designated by the Company, at which point the Company will connect its facilities. In addition, the Developer’s facilities shall comply with the Company’s construction standards and/or the “Specifications for Electrical Installations” booklet as published by the Company from time to time and shall comply with codes and requirements of legally constituted authorities having jurisdiction.

2. Distance of Overhead Distribution Line Allowed Without Charge

The Company will provide 150 feet of overhead distribution line, not including the secondary service drop, per each “house lot” free of charge.

3. Overhead Line Extension

If the number of centerline feet of overhead distribution line required to serve the development (“Required Line Distance”) is greater than the “Allowed Distance” of 150 feet per “House Lot,” then there will be a charge to the Developer for the overhead line extension for the additional feet (“Overhead Installation Charge”). The additional charge shall be paid by the Developer in advance of the Company’s construction.

The Overhead Installation Charge will be equal to the “Overhead Cost Per Foot” times the number of feet in excess of the “Allowed Distance” of 150 feet per House Lot, plus applicable tax contribution factor.

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When overhead service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. installing (or having others install), owning (individually or jointly) and maintaining (individually or jointly) all poles, primary and secondary wires, transformers, service drops, meters, etc. that, in its opinion are required to provide adequate service;
- ii. designating the location of all Company owned equipment, excluding streetlights, and the service entrance and meter location(s); and
- iii. blasting and tree trimming and removal along public ways; the Company may charge the Developer the cost of such blasting and tree trimming and removal if, in the Company's opinion, such cost is excessive; excessive cost shall be defined as the type of work which requires the Company to contract with a third party to remove the ledge through blasting or to trim trees for the purposes of clearing the space needed for the line work.

The Developer, at no cost to the Company, shall be responsible for:

- i. blasting and tree trimming and removal on private property, including roadways not accepted as public ways by the municipality, in accordance with the Company's specifications and subject to the Company's inspection.

The "Overhead Cost Per Foot" will be a predetermined cost per foot as calculated by the Company.

The Overhead Installation Charge is nonrefundable if the line is built.

4. Underground Lines

A Developer may request an underground distribution line in lieu of the regular overhead line. If requested, however, the Company will estimate the cost of providing the underground line to the development using a predetermined underground cost per foot ("Underground Cost Per Foot"). The Developer will be required to pay an "Underground Charge" equal to:

- i. the difference between the estimated underground construction cost (based on

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Underground Cost Per Foot) and the estimated construction cost for a regular overhead line (based on the Overhead Cost Per Foot); plus

- ii. the Overhead Installation Charge, if any, that would have been paid for an overhead line in the development as calculated in Section 3 above; plus
- iii. a tax contribution factor based on the value of donated property and/or any cash contribution.

The Underground Charge shall be paid by the Developer in advance of the Company's construction and is nonrefundable if the line is built.

The Developer will be responsible for removal of ledge, trenching and backfilling in accordance with the Company's construction standards and/or the "Specifications for Electrical Installations" booklet as published by the Company from time to time and shall comply with codes and requirements of legally constituted authorities having jurisdiction. In addition, the Developer will be responsible for:

- i. providing, prior to the start of the Company's construction, all applicable supporting documents required by the Company to prepare design drawings and ensure that the Developer is providing all necessary easements, in accordance with Section 10 below, for the locations of its facilities to be installed on private property;
- ii. providing and installing all required foundations (except for Company-owned street light foundations), handholes, manholes, grounding systems, all conduit including spacers, glue and pulling strings, etc. as indicated on the Company's plan and related construction documents and in accordance with the Company's specifications;
- iii. installing foundations, provided by the Company, for proposed street lighting based on a plan approved, in writing, by a Municipality, which includes agreement by that Municipality to accept responsibility for payment of the lights once the lights are energized;

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- iv. supplying copies of all invoices, when requested, indicating manufacturer and part number for all such equipment listed above; equipment that is not approved shall not be used without the prior written consent of the Company;
- v. installing, owning, and maintaining all secondary services and service conduit from the Company's equipment to each designated meter location; and
- vi. turning over ownership of the conduit system, excluding the service conduit, to the Company upon inspection and acceptance of the conduit system by the Company.

When underground service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. developing the plan to provide underground electric service;
- ii. supplying a list of approved manufacturers and their part numbers for equipment to be supplied by the Developer;
- iii. designating the location of all Company-owned equipment, excluding street lights, and the service entrance and meter location(s);
- iv. providing Company-owned street light foundations;
- v. providing, installing, owning and maintaining all transformers, Company-owned street lights, primary and secondary cable, except services;
- vi. making all connections to Company equipment; and
- vii. inspecting the underground conduit system and equipment foundations installed by the Developer, prior to backfilling.

5. Publication of Current Per Foot Costs

The Overhead Costs Per Foot and Underground Costs Per Foot for new construction shall be as calculated by the Company and placed on file with the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"). These costs are included in the attachment to this policy.

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The Company also will provide such “Overhead and Underground Costs Per Foot” and the method of calculating the applicable tax contribution factor to anyone who inquires.

If the Company changes the Overhead and Underground Cost Per Foot or method of calculating the tax contribution factor, it will notify the Commission in writing and provide a copy of the written notice to the Rhode Island Builders Association, if in existence.

The Company will not increase the Overhead or Underground Costs Per Foot by more than 10% per year without specific approval from the Commission and advance notice to the Rhode Island Builders Association, if in existence.

6. Developer Provides Plans and Documentation

The total number of house lots proposed to be constructed (“House Lots”) will be provided in advance to the Company by the Developer (prior to the Company building the distribution line), along with an electronic copy (in a format acceptable to the Company) of the subdivision plan approved by the planning board in the applicable community.

The Company may require the Developer to provide, in advance, the following:

- i. a copy of the approval of the planning board for the subdivision;
- ii. a copy of all permits and approvals that have been obtained for constructing the development;
- iii. the name and address of the bank or credit union providing financing for the development, including a contact person and phone number;
- iv. a copy of a city/town-approved street light proposal for the development. If installation is requested after construction is completed, the actual, incremental cost of installing the street lights may be borne by the city/town if the tariff does not collect all costs of construction.
- v. a schedule or Developer’s best estimate for the construction of homes in the development; and

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- vi. if requested by the Company, such other reasonable information that may be requested to confirm the viability of the development.

7. Building the Distribution Line in Segments

The Company may, in its own discretion, construct the distribution line in segments, rather than all at once in the proposed development.

8. Line Extension Agreement

The Company will require the Developer to sign a Line Extension Agreement setting forth the terms of this policy and any other terms that the Company deems are reasonably necessary in connection with the installation of a distribution line in the development, provided that such terms are not inconsistent with the terms expressed in this policy.

9. Winter Moratorium on Underground Construction

From the period of December 15 to April 1, the Company may decline, in its sole discretion, to install any underground facilities.

10. Easements

The Company will require the Developer to provide the Company with executed easements (drafted by the Company) for all facilities to reach and serve the development. The Developer will provide the easement prior to the start of the Company's construction and at no cost to the Company. In the event that third party rights are required for the Developer's installation, the Developer will be responsible for obtaining all third party rights or crossings at the Developer's expense.

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The terms of this policy shall apply when a commercial, industrial, or non-residential (a real estate development which is not an approved subdivision of single-family homes) customer (“Customer”) requests that a distribution line and/or other facilities (“New Facilities”) necessary to properly supply electricity to the Customer’s facilities be installed. This policy applies only to the installation of electric service by The Narragansett Electric Company (“Company”). The Customer should contact other utilities to determine the utilities’ requirements governing the provision of their service and whether any costs and/or requirements are to be the responsibility of the Customer.

The terms of this policy shall also apply to an individual residential customer whose upgrade of the existing main switch to his/her premises will, in the Company’s opinion, require the Company to upgrade its distribution line or associated equipment. In applying this policy, the Company will estimate any additional incremental revenue that may be realized as a result of the upgraded service for the purposes of determining whether a Construction Advance is required from the residential customer.

1. Amount of Overhead Distribution Provided without Charge

If the New Facilities being requested by the Customer consists of an overhead, single phase, secondary voltage distribution line extension that does not exceed two poles and two spans of line, the Company will provide the poles and spans of line needed to serve the New Facilities plus a service drop (that does not require a carrier pole) free of charge to the Customer. Otherwise, the costs of all poles and spans of line determined by the Company as needed to serve the New Facilities will be included in the cost component of the Construction Advance Formula described below.

2. Estimated Revenue

Before undertaking the construction of the New Facilities to serve the Customer, the Company will estimate the annual incremental revenue to be derived by the Company under the distribution service rates from the installation of the New Facilities.

3. Construction Advance

The Company will determine the facilities required to meet the distribution service requirements of the Customer. Facilities in excess of those required to meet the distribution

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service requirements of the Customer are outside the scope of this policy and may entail additional payments from the Customer.

In accordance with the formula below (the "Formula"), the Company shall determine whether a payment by the Customer of a Construction Advance shall be required. The Construction Advance shall be paid by the customer in advance of the Company's construction.

$$\text{Construction Advance (A)} = [ C - [ D \times M ] \div K ]$$

where

- A= Construction Advance paid to the Company by the Customer.
- C= The total estimated cost of construction for facilities required exclusively to meet the distribution service requirements of the Customer. This cost includes capital and non-capital costs and the Company's liability for tax required on the value of the material and labor provided by the Customer. Where these new or upgraded facilities are not solely to provide service to the Customer, the Company shall appropriately apportion these costs.
- D= For a single customer, the estimated annual Distribution Revenue derived from the Customer within the first year following the completion of the Company's construction of facilities; or for developments, the estimated additional annual Distribution Revenue derived from those new customers in the development anticipated to be supplied directly with electric service within one year from the commencement of the delivery of electricity to the first customer in the development.
- M= 0.5, the revenue apportionment factor.
- K= The annual carrying charge factor, expressed as a decimal.

Where the calculation of (A) results in a positive number, a Construction Advance in the amount of (A) shall be required from the Customer. Where the calculation of (A) results in a negative number, (A) shall be considered to be zero. Where the calculation of (A) results in a Construction Advance of \$500 or less, the payment of the Construction Advance will be waived.

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The Company shall exercise good faith in making each estimate and determination required above.

Any revenues from Transmission Service, the Non-Bypassable Transition Charge, Standard Offer Service rates, the Energy Efficiency Program Charge, the Long Term Contracting for Renewable Energy Recovery Factor, and the Net Metering Charge shall be excluded from this calculation.

The Construction Advance in the formula shall be further adjusted to include a tax contribution factor on the cash value of the Construction Advance, excluding the value of the tax contribution on any donated property received from the Customer. This tax contribution factor shall be paid in full by the Customer prior to the start of construction.

4. Refund

Whenever the Company collects a Construction Advance from the Customer, the Customer has the option to request the Company to perform a one-time recalculation of the Construction Advance payment using actual construction costs and actual Distribution Revenue to determine if a refund of all or a portion of the original payment is warranted. The request for the one-time review may be made at any time between twelve and thirty-six (36) months after commencement of the delivery of electricity.

To determine the refund, the Formula shall be modified as follows:

C= The actual cost of construction. If the actual cost of construction exceeds the estimate, then the estimated cost of construction shall be used. This cost includes capital and non-capital costs and the Company's liability for tax required on the value of the material and labor provided by the Customer. Where these new or upgraded facilities are not solely to provide service to the Customer, the Company shall appropriately apportion these costs.

D= The actual annual Distribution Revenue for the most recent twelve months.

M= 0.5, the revenue apportionment factor.

K= The annual carrying charge factor, expressed as a decimal.

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If a lower or negative (A) results from applying the Formula as so modified, and if, in the Company's opinion, a risk does not exist regarding either a future reduction in the level of the Customer's usage or the collectability of the Customer's account, then the Company shall refund a portion of or the entire calculated Construction Advance, or the full cost of construction, without interest. In no case shall the amount refunded exceed the original Construction Advance (A); nor shall the review result in additional payments from the Customer.

If a refund is made, the Company will refund the appropriate portion of any tax contribution factor at the current tax rate.

5. Overhead Line Extension

When overhead service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. installing (or having others install), owning (individually or jointly) and maintaining (individually or jointly) all poles, primary and secondary wires, transformers, service drops, meters, etc. that, in its opinion are required to provide adequate service;
- ii. designating the location of all Company owned equipment, excluding streetlights, and the service entrance and meter location(s); and
- iii. blasting and tree trimming and removal along public ways; the Company may charge the Customer the cost of such blasting and tree trimming and removal if, in the Company's opinion, such cost is excessive; excessive cost shall be defined as the type of work which requires the Company to contract with a third party to remove ledge through blasting or to trim trees for the purposes of clearing the space needed for the line work.

The Customer, at no cost to the Company, shall be responsible for:

- i. blasting and tree trimming and removal on private property, including roadways not accepted as public ways by the municipality, in accordance with the Company's specifications and subject to the Company's inspection.

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The Company may, at its discretion, construct the distribution line in segments rather than all at once in the proposed development.

6. Underground Lines

If the Customer requests an underground distribution line in lieu of the standard overhead line, the Company will give reasonable consideration to the request. If the Company believes that there are technical complications, safety issues, engineering concerns, or other reasonable concerns regarding the feasibility and/or maintenance of an underground system in the given circumstances, the Company may decline to provide underground service.

If the Company agrees to underground service, the Customer will be responsible for removal of ledge, trenching and backfilling in accordance with the Company's construction standards and/or the "Specifications for Electrical Installations" booklet as published by the Company from time to time and shall comply with the codes and requirements of legally constituted authorities having jurisdiction.

In addition, the Customer will be responsible for:

- i. providing, prior to the start of the Company's construction, all applicable supporting documents and electronically formatted site plans required for the Company to prepare design drawings and to ensure the Customer is providing all necessary easements, in accordance with Section 8 below, for the locations of the Company's facilities to be installed on private property;
- ii. providing and installing all required foundations (except for Company owned street light foundations), handholes, manholes, grounding systems, secondary cable, all conduit including spacers, glue and pulling strings, etc., as indicated on the Company's plan and related construction documents and in accordance with the Company's specifications;
- iii. Installing foundations, provided by the Company, for Company-owned street lights;

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- iv. supplying copies of all invoices, when requested, indicating manufacturer and part number for all such equipment listed above; equipment that is not approved shall not be used without the prior written consent of the Company;
- v. retaining ownership of transformer foundations and grounding systems, and all secondary cables and conduit on private property, excluding Company-owned street lighting; and
- vi. turning over ownership of the conduit system, excluding the secondary conduit, to the Company upon inspection and acceptance of the conduit system by the Company.

When underground service is requested, the Company shall be responsible for:

- i. developing the plan to provide underground electric service;
- ii. supplying a list of approved manufacturers and their part numbers for equipment to be supplied by the Customer;
- iii. designating the location of all Company-owned equipment, excluding street lights, and the service entrance and meter location(s);
- iv. providing Company-owned street light foundations;
- v. providing, installing, owning and maintaining all transformers, primary cable, related primary equipment, Company-owned street lights, and meters;
- vi. making all connections to Company equipment; and
- vii. inspecting the underground conduit system and equipment foundations installed by the Customer, prior to backfilling.

7. Winter Moratorium on Underground Construction

From December 15 to April 1, the Company may decline, in its sole discretion, to install

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any underground facilities.

8. Easements

The Company will require the Customer to provide the Company a permanent executed easement (drafted by the Company) for all facilities to reach and serve the New Facilities. The Customer will provide the easement prior to the start of the Company's construction and at no cost to the Company. In the event that third party rights are required for the Customer's installation, the Customer will be responsible for obtaining all third party rights or crossings at the Customer's expense.

9. Additional Payment

When, in the Company's opinion, significant engineering is required to determine the method of service or prepare construction estimates, the Company will estimate the cost of such engineering. The Company may charge the Customer this cost before engineering begins. If construction is undertaken, this payment will be applied to any required Construction Advance. If construction is not undertaken, the Company will refund any balance not spent. If no Construction Advance is required, the entire additional advance payment will be refunded.

**Legal Notice**  
**National Grid Tariff Advice Filing To Amend Electric Tariffs**  
**at RIPUC No. 2184, RIPUC No. 2210, RIPUC No. 2196, and RIPUC No. 2196-A**  
**RIPUC Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_**

On December 5, 2018, The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid) submitted to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) its tariff advice filing to amend National Grid's electric tariffs. This filing was made pursuant to PUC Rule 1.9. National Grid proposes the following changes to its electric tariffs. First, with respect to the Low Income Discount implemented through PUC Docket No. 4770, the Company is amending any references to the "Family Independence Program" in its Low Income Rate A-60 tariff, RIPUC No. 2184, and Residential Assistance Provision, RIPUC No. 2210, to the "Rhode Island Works Program." Second, the Company is revising the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service, RIPUC No. 2196, to provide customers notice that the Company may contact customers for non-emergency reasons, and that customers may opt out of receiving such non-emergency communications by contacting the Company. Third, the Company is amending its Line Extension Policy 1, Policy 2, and Policy 3 in RIPUC No. 2196-A to reflect the new effective date and tariff number of the Terms and Conditions for Distribution Service.

National Grid is proposing an effective date of January 15, 2019. The filing has been docketed as RIPUC Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_. A copy of the filing is on file for examination at National Grid, 280 Melrose Street, Providence, Rhode Island and at the office of the Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, Rhode Island or on the Commission's website at \_\_\_\_\_.

National Grid