

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Date: 10/5/2020

Memorandum Reflecting Motions Made and Votes Taken on National Grid's FY 2020 Electric Infrastructure, Safety and Reliability Plan Reconciliation (Docket No. 4915)

On August 3, 2020, National Grid filed with the Public Utilities Commission (PUC or Commission) its proposed FY 2020 Electric Infrastructure, Safety and Reliability Plan Reconciliation. Pursuant to the approved ISR Plan and the ISR Provision, RIPUC No. 2199, after the end of the ISR Plan year, which runs from April 1 through March 31, National Grid must file annually, by August 1 of each year, the proposed CapEx Reconciling Factors and Operation and Maintenance (O&M) Reconciling Factor that will become effective for the 12 months beginning October 1. The CapEx Reconciling Factors recover or refund the difference between the reconciliation of actual billed revenue generated from the CapEx Factors and the actual revenue requirement based on actual cumulative ISR capital investment for the applicable plan year. Similarly, the annual O&M Reconciling Factor recovers or refunds the difference between the reconciliation of actual billed revenue from the O&M Factor and actual Inspection and Maintenance program expense and actual Vegetation Management program expense for the ISR Plan year.

In this docket, the PUC previously approved an Electric ISR factor, which went into effect on April 1, 2019. As explained in the Company's filing, for the FY 2020 Electric ISR reconciliation, the Company has an updated revenue requirement of \$22,371,835. This is an increase of \$4,804,078 from the projected FY 2020 Electric ISR revenue requirement of \$17,567,757, previously approved by the PUC in this docket.

On September 22, 2020, the PUC conducted an evidentiary hearing.

At an Open Meeting held on September 29, 2020, the PUC considered the evidence and the following motions and votes were made:

1. Chairman Gerwatowski moved to disallow the revenue requirement associated with \$1,641,674 of inventory in the Transformers & Related Equipment budget category. The Company was directed to make a compliance filing, with appropriate schedules, showing how the revenue requirement was removed from the calculation of the cost that builds the rate that is going into effect. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. Vote 3-0.
2. Chairman Gerwatowski moved to approve, subject to the removal of the revenue requirement associated with the prior motion, the PAF as proposed, subject to further review relating to issues associated with repairs to streetlights. The PUC left open the issue of repairs to streetlights and is not making any decisions as to the recovery or appropriateness of those costs. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. Vote 3-0.

This Memorandum reflects the motions made and the votes taken at Open Meeting. A written order, to which an appeal may be taken pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, will be issued by the Commission at a later date.