

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: RENEWABLE ENERGY GROWTH PROGRAM FOR YEAR 2020 PROPOSALS BY  
THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL AND THE RHODE  
ISLAND DISTRIBUTED GENERATION BOARD - DOCKET NO. 4983

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1 as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct hearing on **Tuesday, February 4, 2020 @ 9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter on **Thursday, February 6, 2020 @ 9:30 A.M.** as required. The hearings will be streamed live at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg>.

At this hearing, the PUC will examine the propriety of proposals submitted by The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid and the Rhode Island Distributed Generation Board (DG Board) for the 2020 Renewable Energy Growth Program (RE Growth) pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 39-26.6-1 et seq. The RE Growth Program is designed to finance the development, construction, and operation of renewable-energy distributed-generation projects using performance-based incentives. Under the RE Growth Program, developers and customers with eligible renewable distributed generation projects will have the opportunity to enroll in the program and receive compensation pursuant to the RE Growth Program tariffs, as approved by the PUC.

The first proposal, submitted by the DG Board, is a Report recommending ceiling prices, renewable energy growth classes and capacity targets for the 2020 RE Growth Program year. The DG Board defines eligible renewable energy growth classes by technology and size (kilowatt or megawatt capacity). The DG Board recommends classes and eligible system sizes for solar, solar – community remote, wind, community remote – wind, anaerobic digestion and small scale hydropower. The DG Board recommends annual target allocations for each renewable energy growth class. For the 2020 Renewable Energy Growth Program year, the Board recommends a total of 46,488 MW of nameplate capacity be awarded for fixed price and competitively bid projects

The second proposal submitted by The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid, proposes modifications to the Company's RE Growth Program Tariffs and Solicitation and Enrollment Process Rules. Specifically, National Grid proposes the following revisions to the tariffs and rules: 1) proposed Solar Carport Incentive which includes a definition for solar carport facilities, verification requirements for such facilities, and a calculation of the adder for any enrolled project with a portion of its solar capacity on a qualified carport structure, 2) proposed consumer disclosure forms and requirements to be submitted by all Small Solar customers during the application process, and 3) change several minor modifications to the tariff.

The proposals may be examined at the PUC's office. The filings can also be accessed at <http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/4983page.html>. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

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Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk  
January 24, 2020