## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC CO. D/B/A NATIONAL GRID'S 2021-2023 THREE YEAR ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM PLAN & 2021 ANNUAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM PLAN - DOCKET NO. 5076

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §39-3-11, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on **Monday, December 7, 2020** @ **9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Blvd., Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and from time to time as required. The hearing will be streamed live at <a href="http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg">http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg</a>.

At this hearing, the PUC will examine the propriety of The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid's (National Grid) proposed 2021-2023 Three-Year Energy Efficiency Program Plan and 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Program Plan (collectively, the Combined Plan). The Combined Plan is submitted pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws 39-1-27.7(c) and the Least Cost Procurement Standards as approved by the PUC in Docket No. 5015. The Combined Plan is a settlement between National Grid, the Office of Energy Resources (OER), the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers, (Division), the Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC), Acadia Center, and the Green Energy Consumers Alliance (collectively, the Settlement Parties). The Combined Plan proposes budgets to implement electric and natural gas energy efficiency programs to Rhode Island energy consumers. The Combined Plan is funded through the legislatively mandated Energy Efficiency Plan (EEP) charge that is collected from National Grid's electric and gas customers. The Settlement Parties seek approval of the Combined Plan.

The Three-Year Energy Efficiency Program Plan provides an implementation plan that includes illustrative and provisional ranges of budgets, associated potential resulting system benefits charges and savings goals for the three years of implementation. It will guide the development of subsequent annual plans.

The proposed 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Program Plan budget for the electric programs is approximately \$122.3 million. National Grid proposes an Energy Efficiency Program (EEP) charge of \$0.01323 per kWh for all customers receiving Last Resort Service for effect January 1, 2021. The proposed 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Program Plan budget for the gas programs is approximately \$38.6 million. National Grid proposes an Energy Efficiency Program (EEP) charge of \$1.011 per dekatherm for residential gas customers and \$0.704 per dekatherm for commercial and industrial gas customers for effect January 1, 2021. The proposed EEP charge for electric and gas which will be collected through a fully reconciling funding mechanism, represents no change from the EPP charge currently in effect resulting in no rate impact on customers.

The filing may be examined at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed at <a href="http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/5076page.html">http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventsactions/docket/5076page.html</a>. Reference is made to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35.

The PUC is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's office at 780-2107, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk November 27, 2020