STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a NATIONAL GRID GAS INFRASTRUCTURE, SAFETY & RELIABILITY PLAN - DOCKET NO. 5099

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws §39-3-11, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on <u>Thursday, March 11, 2021 @ 9:30 A.M.</u> in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing will be streamed live at http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg.

In this docket, the PUC will examine a filing by The Narragansett Electric d/b/a National Grid (Company) seeking approval of proposed Gas Infrastructure, Safety and Reliability Plan for fiscal year 2022 (ISR Plan). The ISR Plan is submitted pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1-27.7.1 which provides for an annual gas infrastructure, safety and reliability spending plan for each fiscal year and an annual rate reconciliation mechanism that includes a reconcilable allowance for the anticipated capital investments and other spending pursuant to an annual pre-approved budget. The proposed ISR Plan sets forth proposals that the Company has identified as necessary to enhance the safety and reliability of its natural gas distribution system. The Company's ISR Plan proposes capital spending that would account for additional revenues of \$16.764 million that will be collected through implementation of gas ISR factors for the effect April 1, 2021. The impact on an average residential heating customer using 845 therms annually is an annual increase of \$49.12 or 3.7%.

The proposal is available for examination at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed under the PUC's website at http://www.ripuc.ri.gov/eventactions/docket/5099page.html. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

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