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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Boulevard Warwick, RI 02888

RE: Dockets 5165 & 5180 - 2021 Distribution Adjustment Clause and Gas Cost Recovery Responses to Record Requests

Dear Ms. Massaro:

I have enclosed National Grid's<sup>1</sup> responses to the record requests that were issued at the Public Utilities Commission's Evidentiary Hearing on October 13, 2021, in the above-referenced dockets.<sup>2</sup>

This transmittal contains the Company's response to Record Request 1. Record Requests 2 and 3 are pending.

Thank you for your attention to this filing. If you have any questions, please contact me at 781-907-2121.

Very truly yours,

Raquel J. Webster

### **Enclosures**

cc: Docket 5165 & 5180 Service Lists Leo Wold, Esq. Al Mancini, Division John Bell, Division

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Per communication from Commission counsel on October 4, 2021, the Company is submitting an electronic version of this filing followed by six (6) hard copies filed with the Clerk within 24 hours of the electronic filing.

The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid RIPUC Docket Nos. 5165 & 5180

In Re: 2021 Distribution Adjustment Charge Filing and 2021 Gas Cost Recovery Filing Responses to Record Requests Issued at the Commission's Evidentiary Hearing on October 13, 2021

## Record Request No. 1

## Request:

What is the anticipated increase in gas low income discount enrollment as a result of auto enrollment as a result of auto enrollment? Based on this answer, please recreate RMS 13, page 2 of 2.

## Response:

Please see Attachment RR-1 for an illustrative calculation of the estimated low-income discount, which the Company updated to reflect the impact of the initial low income auto-enrollment. The resulting increase in the estimated gas low income discount is approximately \$1.6 million as compared to the estimate calculated in Schedule RMS-13 Second Supplemental.

#### Narragansett Gas Calculation of Estimated Gas Low Income Discount

		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)
	Rate 11	Rate Year <u>Units</u>	Rate	Charges	Adjustment	Rate	Charges	Adjusted Rate Yr Units	<u>Charges</u>
(1) (2)	Customer Charge LIHEAP Enhancement Surcharge	7,627 7,627	\$14.00 \$0.80	\$106,778 \$6,102	4,872 4,872	\$14.00 \$0.80	\$68,208 \$3,898	12,499 12,499	\$174,986 \$10,000
(3) (4) (5)	Distribution Charge Peak DAC Energy Efficiency Program Charge	127,239 127,239 127,239	\$0.6145 \$0.1048 \$0.0871	\$78,188 \$13,335 <u>\$11,083</u>	81,278 81,278 81,278	\$0.6145 \$0.1048 \$0.0871	\$49,945 \$8,518 \$7,079	208,517 208,517 208,517	\$128,133 \$21,853 <u>\$18,162</u>
(6)	Total Delivery Service Charges			\$215,486			\$137,648		\$353,134
(7)	Commodity Charge	127,239	\$0.5413	<u>\$68,874</u>	81,278	\$0.5413	<u>\$43,996</u>	208,517	\$112,870
(8)	Total			\$284,360			\$181,644		\$466,004
(9)	Low Income Discount Percentage			<u>25%</u>			<u>25%</u>		
(10)	Low Income Discount			\$71,090			\$45,411		\$116,501
	Rate 13	Rate Year <u>Units</u>	Rate	Charges	Adjustment	Rate	<u>Charges</u>	Adjusted Rate Yr Units	Total <u>Charges</u>
(11) (12)	Customer Charge LIHEAP Enhancement Surcharge	232,743 232,743	\$14.00 \$0.80	\$3,258,402 \$186,194	52,056 52,056	\$14.00 \$0.80	\$728,784 \$41,645	284,799 284,799	\$3,987,186 \$227,839
(13) (14) (15) (16)	Distribution Charge Peak Distribution Charge Off Peak DAC Energy Efficiency Program Charge	13,700,219 2,976,231 16,676,450 16,676,450	\$0.5933 \$0.5317 \$0.1663 \$0.0871	\$8,128,340 \$1,582,462 \$2,773,294 <u>\$1,452,519</u>	3,064,232 665,673 3,729,905 3,729,905	\$0.5933 \$0.5317 \$0.1663 \$0.0871	\$1,818,009 \$353,938 \$620,283 <u>\$324,875</u>	16,764,452 3,641,903 20,406,355 20,406,355	\$9,946,349 \$1,936,400 \$3,393,577 <u>\$1,777,394</u>
(17)	Total Delivery Service Charges			\$17,381,211			\$3,887,534		\$21,268,745
(18)	Commodity Charge	16,676,450	\$0.6137	\$10,234,337	3,729,905	\$0.6137	\$2,289,043	20,406,355	\$12,523,380
(19)	Total			\$27,615,548			\$6,176,577		\$33,792,125
(20)	Low Income Discount Percentage			<u>25%</u>			<u>25%</u>		
(21)	Low Income Discount			\$6,903,887			\$1,544,144		\$8,448,031
(22)	Total Low Income Discount			\$6,974,977			\$1,589,555		\$8,564,532

<sup>(</sup>a) Column (a): Company Forecast

<sup>(</sup>b), (e) Lines (1), (3), (11), (13), (14): RIPUC NG-GAS No. 101, Section 4, Schedule B & Schedule D

Lines (2), (12): Approved LIHEAP surcharge effective January 1, 2021 per Docket 4290

Lines (4), (15): Proposed DAC factor effective November 1, 2021 per Docket 5165

Lines (5), (16): Approved EE factor effective January 1, 2021 per Docket 5076
Lines (7), (18): Proposed GCR factor effective November 1, 2021 per Docket 5180

Column (a) x Column (b)

<sup>(</sup>d) Lines (1), (11): Number of Customers Auto-Enrolled x 12

Column (d) x Column (e)

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Joanne M. Scanlon

October 22, 2021

Date

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