## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS 89 JEFFERSON BOULEVARD WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND 02888

IN RE: Petition of PPL Corporation, PPL Rhode Island:

Holdings, LLC, National Grid USA and The

Narragansett Electric Company for Authority

To Transfer Ownership of The Narragansett

: Docket No. D-21-09

Electric Company to PPL Rhode Island

Holdings, LLC and Related Approvals

## **ORDER**

(In response to the NRG Retail Companies' Motion for Reconsideration)

The Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers Whereas: ("Division") previously issued an Order in the instant docket, specifically, Order No. 24109, issued on August 19, 2021. That previously issued Order is inextricably linked with this Order, and accordingly shall be adopted as the introduction to this Order and, by necessity, incorporated by reference. As the travel of this docket is lengthy and complicated, the Division will skip all discussion of this travel in the instant Order, relying instead on the incorporation of the above-identified Order as a comprehensive prologue, thereby permitting the Division to limit its focus to the outstanding motion.

Whereas: On August 30, 2021, the NRG Retail Companies filed a Motion for Reconsideration of Order No. 24109, wherein the NRG Retail Companies request that the Division reconsider its decision denying the NRG Retail Companies' intervention in the above-captioned proceeding.

Whereas: In support of their Motion, the NRG Retail Companies essentially offer a restatement of the arguments made previously in their motion to intervene and during oral arguments on July 15, 2021. Chief among the arguments in support of intervention is that the "General Assembly has specifically determined that electric competition is in the public interest."

Whereas: The NRG Retail Companies further request that if their Motion for Reconsideration is denied, that "the Division hold this proceeding in abeyance so that it may seek interlocutory review of the Order denying its intervention."<sup>2</sup>

Whereas: The Division has considered the NRG Retail Companies' request for reconsideration and finds insufficient justification to reverse its previous decision denying the NRG Retail Companies' intervention in this docket. Further, in view of the complexity and time sensitivity of the instant proceeding, the Division must deny the NRG Retail Companies' request to stay all proceedings in this docket to facilitate an interlocutory appeal.

Now, therefore, it is

## (24179) ORDERED:

- 1. That Order No. 24109 is incorporated by reference.
- 2. That the NRG Retail Companies' August 30, 2021 Motion for Reconsideration, is hereby denied.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Motion for Reconsideration, pp. 3-5.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Id., p. 6.

3. That the NRG Retail Companies' accompanying request for a stay of these proceedings is denied.

Dated and Effective at Warwick, Rhode Island on September 8, 2021.

Division of Public Utilities and Carriers

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Administrator