## **State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations**

## **Public Utilities Commission**

## Minutes of Open Meeting Held July 27, 2017

Attendees: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Herbert DeSimone, Commissioner Marion Gold, Margaret Hogan, Sharon Colby Camara, Alan Nault, Todd Bianco, and Luly Massaro.

Chairperson Curran called the Open Meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC). A quorum was present.

Approval of the Minutes of Open Meeting held on June 22, 2017 and July 6, 2017 – Commissioner Gold moved to accept the minutes. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.** 

**4550** – **Pawtucket Water Supply Board** – Pawtucket Water Supply Board submitted on July 12, 2017 compliance tariffs pursuant to PUC's Open Meeting Decision on July 6, 2017. The compliance tariffs reflect the downward adjustment to rate case expense of \$13,061 from Pawtucket Water's FY2018 revenue requirements. After review, Commissioner DeSimone moved to approve Pawtucket Water's compliance filing as submitted. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.** 

**4688** – **Block Island Power Company (BIPCo)** – The PUC reviewed the record and discussed BIPCo's Request for Declaratory Judgment submitted on February 1, 2017. BIPCo's Petition seeks a ruling that the PUC issue a judgment declaring that interconnection costs and the standby transformer costs must be socialized by National Grid to all Rhode Island electric ratepayers and should not be imposed solely on BIPCo and its ratepayers. After deliberation, Chairperson Curran moved to declare that interconnection costs and standby transformer costs should not be socialized by National Grid's, and should be solely imposed on BIPCo and its ratepayers. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion. Commissioner DeSimone dissented. **Vote 2-1.** 

**4672** – **The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid** – National Grid filed on June 23, 2017 a compliance report seeking approval of Certificates of Eligibility (COEs) for eight commercial-scale and large scale projects selected in the Company's First 2017 Open Enrollment under the Renewable Energy Growth Program. Noting that the projects all came under the ceiling price costs, Commissioner Gold moved to approve the COE's for the eight projects selected by National Grid. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.** 

A transcript of the PUC's July 27, 2017 open meeting discussion relating Block Island Power Company's Docket No. 4688 is available at the office of the Commission Clerk.

The Open Meeting adjourned at 11:00 A.M.