

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY'S :
LAST RESORT SERVICE (LRS) : DOCKET NO. 4978
PROCUREMENT PLAN :**

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION'S FIRST SET OF DATA REQUESTS
DIRECTED TO THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS**

**DIVISION RESPONSES
PUC SET 1**

1-1. Request:

In the letter filed with the Commission by Governor Daniel McKee on August 15, 2022, the Governor stated that information provided by the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers indicated that OER's potential plan to transfer \$3.8 million in RGGI funds in early October would result in a \$14 to \$17 monthly bill reduction for low-income customers over the six-month winter electricity rates period. Please submit in a spreadsheet any data provided to the Governor's office referenced in the letter.

Response:

The Division performed a high-level calculation of the potential monthly bill credits based on what we considered a high and low A-60 customer count scenario. The low scenario was based on the A-60 customer count as of May 2022 of 37,820. We considered this to be a low scenario because the June A-60 customer count increased to 39,556 and with the projected slowing economy due to higher interest rates and energy costs we do not foresee the A-60 customer count dropping below the May level during the upcoming winter. Although we did not conduct a technical analysis to develop a high scenario, the use of 45,000 for comparison purposes seemed reasonable given the likely increase in the number of A-60 customers due to the projected slowing economy. The results of our calculation are shown in the below chart. Please note that we rounded the results to the referenced \$14 and \$17 amounts.

Division Calculation Table PUC 1-1:

Calculation of Approximate Monthly Rhode Island Energy Electric A-60 Bill Credits for a Six-Month Period Based on \$3.8 Million of RGGI Funding			
<u>Description</u>	<u>A-60 Customers</u> (1)	<u>Total No. of Bills</u> (2)	<u>Estimated Monthly Credit</u> (3)
May 2022 A-60 Customer Count	37,820	226,920	\$16.75
High Side A-60 Customer Count	45,000	270,000	\$14.07
<u>Notes</u>			
Col 2 = Col. 1 * 6 months			
Col 3 = \$3.8M/Col 2			

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1-2. Request:

If the Division calculated the \$14 to \$17 range, please provide a workbook or response showing the derivation. Please include all supporting information and calculations in your response.

Response:

Please see response to 1-1.

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