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

RE: Docket No. 24-05-GE - Rhode Island Energy Petition For Approval To Create Regulatory Assets For Waived Electronic Transaction Fees <u>Responses to Division Data Requests – Set 1</u>

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of Rhode Island Energy,¹ enclosed are the Company's responses to the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers' First Set of Data Requests in the above-referenced matter.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at 401-316-7429.

Very truly yours,

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Jennifer Brooks Hutchinson

Enclosure

cc: Docket No. 24-05-GE Service List

¹ The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy ("Rhode Island Energy" or the "Company").

Division 1-1

Request:

Referring to Briggs/Currie Testimony, Page 9, Line 1, please provide the journal entries to record the regulatory asset (i) for the cumulative costs, and (ii) for the ongoing costs.

Response:

If the Company's proposal was approved, the journal entries to record the regulatory assets for cumulative costs (through January of 2024 as reported on Schedule A) would be as summarized in the table below.

Business Segment	Account	Account Description	Amount	
Electric	182.3	Other Regulatory Assets	\$3,208,384	
Electric	903	Customer Records and Collection Expenses	(\$3,105,822)	
Electric	419	Interest and Dividend Income	(\$102,562)	
Gas	182.3	Other Regulatory Assets	\$1,530,910	
Gas	903	Customer Records and Collection Expenses	(\$1,482,056)	
Gas	419	Interest and Dividend Income	(\$48,853)	

Ongoing costs would be recorded monthly. This would be based on the actual costs incurred in that month along with incremental interest on the cumulative balance to date. The table below provides a summary of a monthly entry using the January 2024 activity as reported in Schedule A as a proxy for future monthly costs.

Business Segment	Account	Account Description	Amount
Electric	182.3	Other Regulatory Assets	\$106,982
Electric	903	Customer Records and Collection Expenses	(\$99,469)
Electric	419	Interest and Dividend Income	(\$7,513)
Gas	182.3	Other Regulatory Assets	\$51,172
Gas	903	Customer Records and Collection Expenses	(\$47,587)
Gas	419 Interest and Dividend Income		(\$3,585)

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Division 1-2

Request:

Referring to Briggs/Currie Testimony, Page 8, Lines 1-4, with regard to waived Electronic Transaction Fees incurred from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023, is it the Company's intent to restate previous Earnings Reports to recognize that the costs charged to expense in that time frame will be recovered prospectively, or will the Company treat the credit to expenses for that time frame as income in the 2024 Earnings Report?

Response:

The Company intends to only include in the 2024 Earnings Report the amount of revenue to be recovered related to 2024 expenses. The Company would restate the previous earnings reports for the applicable expenses that are approved for recovery for those periods.

Division 1-3

Request:

Please explain how the Company intends to treat the waived Electronic Transaction Fees in 2023 in its 2023 Earnings Reports.

Response:

If the PUC were to approve recovery of the 2023 waived Electronic Transaction Fees through a regulatory asset, the Company intends to include in its 2023 Earnings Report the portion of the waived electronic transaction fees for 2023 as revenue in the 2023 Earnings Report. If the 2023 Earnings Report is filed before an approval for recovery of the 2023 waived fees, the original filed Earnings Report would not include the revenue and the Company would subsequently restate the 2023 Earnings Report once approval is received.

Division 1-4

Request:

Referring to Briggs/Currie Testimony, please provide Schedule A in Excel format.

Response:

Please see Attachment DIV 1-4 for the Excel version of Schedule A to the Briggs/Currie Testimony.

				Bala	nce	Balance Subje	ect to Interest		Inter	rest
	Amount of Speedpay Fees	Electric	Gas	Electric	Gas	Electric	Gas	Interest Rate 1/	Electric	Gas
Jul-20	\$79,677.00	\$54,180.36	\$25,496.64	\$54,180.36	\$25,496.64	\$27,090.18	\$12,748.32	2.14%	\$48.31	\$22.73
Aug-20	\$83,220.05	\$56,589.63	\$26,630.42	\$110,769.99	\$52,127.06	\$82,475.18	\$38,811.85	2.14%	\$147.08	\$69.21
Sep-20	\$88,199.84	\$59,975.89	\$28,223.95	\$170,745.88	\$80,351.01	\$140,757.94	\$66,239.04	2.14%	\$251.02	\$118.13
Oct-20	\$92,560.75	\$62,941.31	\$29,619.44	\$233,687.19	\$109,970.45	\$202,216.54	\$95,160.73	2.14%	\$360.62	\$169.70
Nov-20	\$85,904.47	\$58,415.04	\$27,489.43	\$292,102.23	\$137,459.88	\$262,894.71	\$123,715.17	2.14%	\$468.83	\$220.63
Dec-20	\$90,918.01	\$61,824.25	\$29,093.76	\$353,926.48	\$166,553.64	\$323,014.36	\$152,006.76	2.14%	\$576.04	\$271.08
Jan-21	\$99,686.22	\$67,786.63	\$31,899.59	\$421,713.11	\$198,453.23	\$387,819.80	\$182,503.44	2.14%	\$691.61	\$325.46
eb-21	\$96,750.40	\$65,790.27	\$30,960.13	\$487,503.38	\$229,413.36	\$454,608.25	\$213,933.30	2.14%	\$810.72	\$381.51
/lar-21	\$119,353.60	\$80,730.78	\$38,622.82	\$568,234.16	\$268,036.18	\$527,868.77	\$248,724.77	0.89%	\$391.50	\$184.47
Apr-21	\$95,206.85	\$64,397.91	\$30,808.94	\$632,632.07	\$298,845.12	\$600,433.12	\$283,440.65	0.89%	\$445.32	\$210.22
lay-21	\$97,365.75	\$65,858.19	\$31,507.56	\$698,490.26	\$330,352.68	\$665,561.17	\$314,598.90	0.89%	\$493.62	\$233.33
un-21	\$106,548.81	\$72,069.62	\$34,479.19	\$770,559.88	\$364,831.87	\$734,525.07	\$347,592.27	0.89%	\$544.77	\$257.80
Jul-21	\$96,120.80	\$65,016.11	\$31,104.69	\$835,575.99	\$395,936.56	\$803,067.93	\$380,384.22	0.89%	\$595.61	\$282.12
ug-21	\$95,888.20	\$64,858.78	\$31,029.42	\$900,434.77	\$426,965.98	\$868,005.38	\$411,451.27	0.89%	\$643.77	\$305.16
ep-21	\$86,011.56	\$58,178.22	\$27,833.34	\$958,612.99	\$454,799.32	\$929,523.88	\$440,882.65	0.89%	\$689.40	\$326.99
Oct-21	\$90,640.93	\$61,309.53	\$29,331.40	\$1,019,922.51	\$484,130.73	\$989,267.75	\$469,465.03	0.89%	\$733.71	\$348.19
ov-21	\$89,355.29	\$60,439.92	\$28,915.37	\$1,080,362.43	\$513,046.10	\$1,050,142.47	\$498,588.42	0.89%	\$778.86	\$369.79
ec-21	\$87,260.27	\$59,022.85	\$28,237.42	\$1,139,385.28	\$541,283.52	\$1,109,873.85	\$527,164.81	0.89%	\$823.16	\$390.98
an-22	\$92,894.81	\$62,834.05	\$30,060.76	\$1,202,219.32	\$571,344.29	\$1,170,802.30	\$556,313.91	0.89%	\$868.35	\$412.60
eb-22	\$91,948.67	\$62,194.08	\$29,754.59	\$1,264,413.40	\$601,098.88	\$1,233,316.36	\$586,221.58	0.89%	\$914.71	\$434.78
/lar-22	\$105,714.02	\$71,504.96	\$34,209.06	\$1,335,918.37	\$635,307.93	\$1,300,165.89	\$618,203.40	1.45%	\$1,571.03	\$747.00
Apr-22	\$94,287.62	\$63,776.15	\$30,511.47	\$1,399,694.51	\$665,819.41	\$1,367,806.44	\$650,563.67	1.45%	\$1,652.77	\$786.10
lay-22	\$99,593.53	\$67,365.06	\$32,228.47	\$1,467,059.58	\$698,047.87	\$1,433,377.05	\$681,933.64	1.45%	\$1,732.00	\$824.00
un-22	\$97,066.00	\$65,655.44	\$31,410.56	\$1,532,715.02	\$729,458.43	\$1,499,887.30	\$713,753.15	1.45%	\$1,812.36	\$862.45
Jul-22	\$95,827.86	\$64,817.96	\$31,009.90	\$1,597,532.98	\$760,468.33	\$1,565,124.00	\$744,963.38	1.45%	\$1,891.19	\$900.16
ug-22	\$105,476.09	\$71,344.03	\$34,132.06	\$1,668,877.01	\$794,600.39	\$1,633,205.00	\$777,534.36	1.45%	\$1,973.46	\$939.52
ep-22	\$101,615.22	\$68,732.53	\$32,882.69	\$1,737,609.55	\$827,483.07	\$1,703,243.28	\$811,041.73	1.45%	\$2,058.09	\$980.01
ov-22	\$123,052.01	\$83,232.38	\$39,819.63	\$1,820,841.93	\$867,302.70	\$1,779,225.74	\$847,392.89	1.45%	\$2,149.90	\$1,023.93
ec-22	\$109,244.40	\$73,892.91	\$35,351.49	\$1,894,734.84	\$902,654.19	\$1,857,788.38	\$884,978.45	1.45%	\$2,244.83	\$1,069.35
an-23	\$102,307.46	\$69,200.77	\$33,106.69	\$1,963,935.60	\$935,760.89	\$1,929,335.22	\$919,207.54	1.45%	\$2,331.28	\$1,110.71
eb-23	\$132,091.24	\$89,346.51	\$42,744.73	\$2,053,282.12	\$978,505.61	\$2,008,608.86	\$957,133.25	1.45%	\$2,427.07	\$1,156.54
/lar-23	\$127,682.65	\$86,364.54	\$41,318.11	\$2,139,646.66	\$1,019,823.72	\$2,096,464.39	\$999,164.66	2.95%	\$5,153.81	\$2 <i>,</i> 456.28
Apr-23	\$142,367.42	\$96,297.32	\$46,070.10	\$2,235,943.99	\$1,065,893.81	\$2,187,795.33	\$1,042,858.76	2.95%	\$5,378.33	\$2 <i>,</i> 563.69
1ay-23	\$124,181.36	\$83,996.27	\$40,185.09	\$2,319,940.26	\$1,106,078.90	\$2,277,942.12	\$1,085,986.36	2.95%	\$5,599.94	\$2,669.72
lun-23	\$146,702.73	\$99,229.73	\$47,473.00	\$2,419,169.99	\$1,153,551.90	\$2,369,555.12	\$1,129,815.40	2.95%	\$5,825.16	\$2,777.46
Jul-23	\$141,101.21	\$95,440.86	\$45,660.35	\$2,514,610.84	\$1,199,212.26	\$2,466,890.41	\$1,176,382.08	2.95%	\$6,064.44	\$2 <i>,</i> 891.94
Aug-23	\$140,245.08	\$94,861.77	\$45,383.31	\$2,609,472.62	\$1,244,595.56	\$2,562,041.73	\$1,221,903.91	2.95%	\$6,298.35	\$3 <i>,</i> 003.85
Sep-23	\$145,981.75	\$98,742.06	\$47,239.69	\$2,708,214.67	\$1,291,835.26	\$2,658,843.64	\$1,268,215.41	2.95%	\$6,536.32	\$3,117.70
Oct-23	\$144,989.74	\$98,071.06	\$46,918.68	\$2,806,285.73	\$1,338,753.94	\$2,757,250.20	\$1,315,294.60	2.95%	\$6,778.24	\$3,233.43
lov-23	\$150,579.34	\$101,851.87	\$48,727.47	\$2,908,137.60	\$1,387,481.41	\$2,857,211.66	\$1,363,117.68	2.95%	\$7,023.98	\$3,351.00
Dec-23	\$145,203.19	\$98,215.44	\$46,987.75	\$3,006,353.03	\$1,434,469.17	\$2,957,245.32	\$1,410,975.29	2.95%	\$7,269.89	\$3 <i>,</i> 468.65
Jan-24	\$147,055.74	\$99,468.50	\$47,587.24	\$3,105,821.54	\$1,482,056.40	\$3,056,087.29	\$1,458,262.78	2.95%	\$7,512.88	\$3,584.90
		\$3,105,821.54	\$1,482,056.40	1/ Interest is calcu	lated at the custom	ner deposit rate		-	\$102,562.32	\$48,853.26
otal	\$4,587,877.94		\$4,587,877.94			Initial Regulatory			Electric \$3,208,383.85	Gas \$1,530,909.66

The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy RIPUC Docket No. 24-05-EL Attachment DIV 1-4 Page 1 of 1

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