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

RE: Docket 4290 - Henry Shelton Act

LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation Response to PUC Data Requests – Set 1

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of National Grid,¹ I have enclosed the Company's responses to the Public Utilities Commission's First Set of Data Requests issued in the above-referenced docket.²

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

Enclosure

cc: Docket 4290 Service List

John Bell Leo Wold, Esq.

¹ The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or the Company).

² The Company will deliver to the Commission five hard copies of this transmittal.

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Proposed LIHEAP Enhancement Charge
For Calendar Year 2021
Responses to the Commission's First Set of Data Requests
Issued on November 20, 2020

PUC 1-1

Request:

Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated by the current surcharge in 2020 using the most recent actuals in the calculation with estimates as necessary for October 2020 through December 2020. Include supporting calculations (explain any assumptions). Please present both a combined total as well as electric and gas separately

Response:

The projected annual revenue from the 2020 LIHEAP Enhancement surcharge is just under \$7.5 million at \$7,479,519 based on actual amounts through October 2020 and estimates for November and December 2020. This amount consists of electric-related revenue of \$4.9 million and gas-related revenue of \$2.6 million.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-1 for the supporting documentation.

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The Narragansett Electric Company CY 2020 Estimated LIHEAP Revenue at \$0.80

		Forecasted		Forecasted		
		Electric Bills	Electric Revenue	Gas Bills	Gas Revenue	Total Revenue
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
(1)	Jan-2020		\$429,461		\$234,620	\$664,081
(2)	Feb-2020		\$392,872		\$210,025	\$602,898
(3)	Mar-2020		\$402,643		\$217,566	\$620,209
(4)	Apr-2020		\$396,586		\$212,679	\$609,266
(5)	May-2020		\$426,219		\$232,446	\$658,665
(6)	Jun-2020		\$401,420		\$214,564	\$615,984
(7)	Jul-2020		\$392,481		\$209,733	\$602,214
(8)	Aug-2020		\$429,299		\$233,213	\$662,512
(9)	Sep-2020		\$382,971		\$202,707	\$585,679
(10)	Oct-2020		\$404,415		\$214,847	\$619,262
(11)	Nov-2020	505,311	\$404,249	269,700	\$215,760	\$620,009
(12)	Dec-2020	501,966	\$401,573	271,460	\$217,168	\$618,741
(13)	Total		\$4,864,190		\$2,615,329	\$7,479,519

⁽a) Per Company Forecast

⁽b) Lines (1) - (10) per Company Reports; Lines (11) - (12) Column (a) x \$0.80

⁽c) Per Company Forecast

⁽d) Lines (1) - (10) per Company Reports; Lines (11) - (12) Column (c) x \$0.80

⁽e) Column (b) + Column (d)

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Request:

Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated in 2021 if the surcharge is set at 81¢. Please present both a combined total as well as electric and gas separately.

Response:

If the LIHEAP Enhancement surcharge is set at 81¢, the projected revenue in 2021 is approximately \$7.58 million. This total consists of \$4.92 million of electric-related revenue and \$2.66 million of gas-related related revenue.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-2 for the supporting calculation.

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The Narragansett Electric Company CY 2021 Estimated LIHEAP Charge at Illustrative Charge (\$0.81)

		Forecasted Electric Bills (a)	Forecasted Gas Bills (b)	Total Forecasted Bills (c)	
(1)	Jan-2021	505,359	273,318	778,677	
(2)	Feb-2021	505,433	274,200	779,633	
(3)	Mar-2021	505,530	274,768	780,298	
(4)	Apr-2021	505,642	275,008	780,650	
(5)	May-2021	505,763	274,887	780,650	
(6)	Jun-2021	505,889	274,188	780,077	
(7)	Jul-2021	506,016	273,136	779,152	
(8)	Aug-2021	506,145	272,819	778,964	
(9)	Sep-2021	506,273	272,809	779,082	
(10)	Oct-2021	506,402	272,873	779,275	
(11)	Nov-2021	506,534	274,193	780,727	
(12)	Dec-2021	503,322	276,437	779,759	
(13)	Total	6,068,308	3,288,636	9,356,944	
(14)	Rate	\$0.81	\$0.81		
(15)	Projected Revenue	\$4,915,329	\$2,663,795	\$7,579,124	

- (a) Per Company Forecast
- (b) Per Company Forecast
- (c) Column (a) + Column (b)
- (13) Sum of lines (1) through (12)
- (14) Illustrative Charge (\$0.81)
- (15) Line (13) x Line (14)

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Request:

What factor in 2021 will generate as close as possible to, but not less than, \$6,500,000 and what factor will generate as close as possible to, but not greater than, \$7,500,000?

Response:

The factor needed in 2021 to generate as close as possible to, but not less than, \$6,500,000 is \$0.70. The factor needed in 2021 to generate as close as possible to, but no greater than, \$7,500,000 is \$0.80.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-3 for the supporting calculations.

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The Narragansett Electric Company CY 2021 Estimated LIHEAP Charge Based on \$6.5M and \$7.5M

		Forecasted Electric Bills (a)	Forecasted Gas Bills (b)	Total Forecasted Bills (c)	Estimated Surcharge (d)	Estimated Revenue (e)
(1)	Jan-2021	505,359	273,318	778,677		
(2)	Feb-2021	505,433	274,200	779,633		
(3)	Mar-2021	505,530	274,768	780,298		
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(12)	Dec-2021	503,322	<u>276,437</u>	<u>779,759</u>		
(13)	Total	6,068,308	3,288,636	9,356,944		
(14)	Charge Based on \$6.5M	\$6,500,000		9,356,944	\$0.70	\$6,549,861
(15)	Charge Based on \$7.5M	\$7,500,000		9,356,944	\$0.80	\$7,485,555

- (a) Per Company Forecast
- (b) Per Company Forecast
- (c) Column (a) + Column (b)
- (13) Sum of lines (1) through (12)
- (14)(a) per Data Request
- (14) (c) Line (13), Column (c)
- (14) (d) Column (a) divided by Column (c), truncated to 2 demial places plus \$0.01 to ensure charge is designed to recover \$6,500,000 based on forecasted number of bills
- (14)(e) Column (c) x Column (d) representing revene proof of Estimated Surcharge at Total Forecasted Bills
- (15)(a) per Data Request
- (15) (c) Line (13), Column (c)
- (15) (d) Column (a) divided by Column (c), truncated to 2 demial places
- (15)(e) Column (c) x Column (d) representing revene proof of Estimated Surcharge at Total Forecasted Bills