BEFORE THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: INVESTIGATION INTO THE FUTURE OF THE REGULATED GAS DISTRIBUTION BUSINESS IN RHODE ISLAND IN LIGHT OF THE ACT ON CLIMATE DOCKET NO. 22-01-NG

<u>THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND CARRIERS'</u> <u>MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME</u>

The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division") respectfully requests an extension of time of two (2) weeks to file its comments regarding the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") Draft Staff Recommendation for Public Comment on scope for the above cited docket. The Division seeks to file its comments by Friday, October 21st, instead of by the noticed deadline of Friday, October 7th. As grounds herein, the Division represents that it is working diligently to review and analyze the comprehensive, 8-page Draft Staff Recommendation for Public Comment circulated on August 31, 2022, to provide meaningful input and feedback on the questions of scope, purpose and process posed therein. Given the important role that a determination of scope will have on the docket as a whole, the Division seeks this additional time to engage in careful consideration of the proposed recommendations with and among Division staff and a recently retained outside consultant. This additional time will afford the agency adequate time to coordinate internally and finalize its comments prior to submission.

The Division respectfully asks the Commission to grant its Motion for an Extension of Time to file its comments regarding scope in this docket.

Respectfully Submitted, THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES & CARRIERS

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on September 27, 2022, the within Motion for Extension of Time was electronically served upon the service list in Docket No. 22-01-NG.

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