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Luly Massaro Clerk Public Utilities Commission 89 Jefferson Blvd. Warwick, RI 02888

Re: Docket No. 22-07-GE - Clarification

Dear Ms. Massaro,

The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division") writes to provide clarification to the position letter it filed on September 7, 2022, in the above cited docket. Upon further review of our stated position, it has become apparent that the last sentence of the letter could be construed as the Division taking a position relative to how the funds at issue should be distributed. This was not the position that the Division intended to convey. To be clear, the Division takes no position regarding the terms of the private settlement. In fact, the Division's position is that the Public Utilities Commission has no jurisdiction over the matter. Reference at the end of letter was merely intended to be a recitation of what the parties to the private settlement agreement had initially proposed. The Division's position of "no jurisdiction" is consistent with its position in the Arrearage Forgiveness Docket, 22-08-GE, a matter which also derives from the terms of the same private settlement agreement.

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¹ The letter concludes by stating, "Rhode Island Energy, therefore, should issue the entire promised credit to Rhode Island Energy customers forthwith pursuant to the terms of the agreement." *Division Position Letter*, 9/7/22.

Respectfully submitted,

Division of Public Utilities and Carriers

/s/ Christy Hetherington

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