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March 7, 2023

Via Electronic Mail

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

## RE: Docket No. 22-02-EL – Rhode Island Energy's 2023 LRS Procurement Plan

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers ("Division"), please accept for filing the attached memorandum from John Bell, the Division's Chief Accountant, that provides the agency's recommendation regarding the above referenced docket.

Thank you for your attention to this submission.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Christy Hetherington

Christy Hetherington, Esq. Chief of Legal Services Division of Public Utilities and Carriers

Enclosure

cc: 22-02-EL Service List
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- To: Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
- From: John Bell, Chief Accountant Division of Public Utilities & Carriers

Date: March 7, 2023

Re: R.I.P.U.C. Docket No. 22-02-EL Rhode Island Energy's 2023 Last Resort Service Procurement Plan

On May 24, 2022, National Grid, now doing business as Rhode Island Energy ("RIE" or "the Company"), filed its 2023 Last Resort Service Procurement Plan ("Plan") with the Public Utilities Commission ("Commission"). The Company's 2023 Plan did not propose any changes to the previously approved 2021 Plan. As stated in the filing, the proposed 2023 Plan covers procurement transactions in calendar years 2023 and 2024, which includes delivery periods through 2026. The Commission previously allowed the Company to bid the first procurement under the 2023 Plan and the Company will begin the process related to the second procurement this month. As the Commission is aware, the Plan is currently under review and a technical session is scheduled for May. In order to allow the Company to move forward with the scheduled procurements shown on Attachment A of the Plan, the Division recommends that the Commission approve the Plan, subject to further review.