

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a RHODE ISLAND ENERGY
GAS INFRASTRUCTURE, SAFETY & RELIABILITY PLAN FY 2024
DOCKET NO. 22-54-NG**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws §39-3-11, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) is conducting a hearing on **March 14, 2023 at 9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing will continue thereafter on **March 15, 2023 at 9:30 A.M.** as required. The hearing will be streamed live at <https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqQyXw296dg>

In this docket, the PUC will examine the propriety of a filing by The Narragansett Electric d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (Company) for approval of proposed Gas Infrastructure, Safety and Reliability Plan for fiscal year 2024 (ISR Plan). The ISR Plan is submitted pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1-27.7.1 which provides for an annual gas infrastructure, safety and reliability spending plan for each fiscal year and an annual rate reconciliation mechanism that includes a reconcilable allowance for the anticipated capital investments and other spending pursuant to an annual pre-approved budget. The ISR Plan sets forth proposals the Company has identified as necessary to sustain and enhance the safety and reliability of its gas distribution system. The Company's Gas ISR Plan for FY 2024 proposes capital spending that reflects an incremental revenue requirement of \$17,844,669 above the FY 2023 ISR Plan which will be collected through the Distribution Adjustment Charge (DAC) effective April 1, 2023. The impact on an average residential heating customer using 845 therms per year is an annual increase of \$51.22, from \$1,726.11 to \$1,777.33 or 3.0%.

The proposal is available for examination at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed under the PUC's website at <https://ripuc.ri.gov/Docket-22-54-NG>. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

The PUC is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's office at 780-2017, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
March 2, 2023