

The Narragansett Electric Company  
d/b/a National Grid  
RIPUC Docket No. 5210  
In Re: Gas Infrastructure, Safety, and Reliability Plan FY2023  
Responses to the Record Requests  
Issued at the Commission's Evidentiary Hearing  
On March 15, 2022

Record Request No. 13

Request:

How many more customers does the Company expect to connect above the 1600 customer connections referred to in PUC 2-22 with the Southern Rhode Island expansion project?

Response:

In the Company's response to PUC 2-22, the Company reported that there are currently 1,599 active customers that have been connected to the gas system since April 1, 2019 in Coventry, Cranston, East Greenwich, Exeter, Kingston, Narragansett, North Kingstown, Richmond, Scituate, South Kingstown, Warwick, West Greenwich, West Kingston, and West Warwick, which were enabled by the Southern RI Gas Expansion Project. This dataset included the date range of 4/1/19 through 1/31/22. In re-running the query for this record request, it was discovered that the count of customers connected to the gas system during this period should be corrected to 1,863.

From February 2, 2022 through March 15, 2022, another 17 customers have been connected to the gas system in those southern RI towns bringing the total through March 15, 2022 to 1,880.

The Southern Rhode Island expansion project has enough remaining capacity to connect the equivalent of approximately 10,000 additional residential heating customers forecasted in the southern RI towns through January 2027.

A summary table is included below: <sup>1</sup>

Row Labels	Count of Billing Accounts by Open Date						Grand Total
	2017*	2018*	2019	2020	2021	2022	
Gas 1012 Res Non Heat		1	16	54	34	2	107
Gas 1101 Res Low Inc Non Heat			1	2			3
Gas 1247 Res Heat	2	7	255	449	631	115	1,459
Gas 1301 Res Low Inc Heat		1	10	14	10		35
Gas 2107 C&I Small		4	65	82	73	17	241
Gas 2221 C&I Medium FT2					1		1
Gas 2237 C&I Medium			8	8	8	1	25
Gas 2321 C&I Large High Load FT2			1				1
Gas 2367 C&I Large High Load			1				1
Gas 3367 C&I Large Low Load				3	2		5
Gas 3496 C&I Extra Large Low Load			1				1
Gas Company Use			1				1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>759</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>1,880</b>

<sup>1</sup> Please note that the 15 billing accounts that were established in 2017 and 2018 did not begin using gas until after April 4, 2019