

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN RE: BLOCK ISLAND UTILITY DISTRICT'S LAST RESORT SERVICE
PROCUREMENT PLAN AND ANNUAL RATE RECALCULATION
– DOCKET NO. 23-43-EL**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Utilities Commission (PUC) gives notice that it will conduct a public hearing on **Friday, December 15, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.** at the PUC's office, Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing will be streamed live at <https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqQyXw296dg>. The hearing may continue thereafter from time to time as required.

Public comments will be taken at this hearing. People interested in providing public comments may participate in person at the PUC's office or in a Zoom meeting through the internet or by calling in, preferably 5-10 minutes prior to the hearing. To participate, click this link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86268061831> and you will be given instructions to enter the meeting by internet. You will be prompted to enter a name and an email address to enter the meeting. If you choose to participate by telephone, you may dial 929-205-6099 and enter meeting number 862 6806 1831 followed by the # symbol when prompted. (The Zoom link will close at the expiration of the public comment period.). If you are not interested in providing public comment, please watch the live stream at the address in the first paragraph. You will be able to observe the hearing and hear others' public comment.

In this docket, the PUC will examine the Block Island Utility District (BIUD) 1) proposed energy procurement plan to obtain competitively priced wholesale power supply to meet its Last Resort Service, also known as Power Supply Service requirements and 2) BIUD's proposed rate changes arising out of the twelve-month reconciliation period of Company's tariff adjustment provisions for the Last Resort and Transmission Rate. The requested effective date for the new rates is January 1, 2024. The impact of the proposal on a residential customer using 500 kwh of electricity per month during the months of November through April is an increase of \$7.77 per month from \$145.85 to \$153.62; for the months of May, June, September and October, an increase of \$7.77 per month from \$172.35 to \$180.12; and for the months of July and August, an increase of \$7.77 per month from \$243.60 to \$251.37.

The proposal is available for examination at the PUC's office. The dockets can also be accessed at <https://ripuc.ri.gov/Docket-23-43-EL>. Reference is also made to Chapters 42-35 and 39-1 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 780-2107, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
December 1, 2023