

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
ENERGY FACILITY SITING
BOARD**

IN RE: THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY'S APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE TO MOBILIZE AND OPERATE A LIQUIFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG) VAPORIZATION FACILITY AT OLD MILL LANE – DOCKET NO. SB-2021-04

NOTICE OF FINAL HEARINGS

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws Chapters 42-98 and 42-35, and Rule 1.12 of its Rules of Practice and Procedure (Rules), the Energy Facility Siting Board (Board) will conduct final hearings regarding the above-captioned matter on **Tuesday, April 23, 2024, Wednesday, April 24, 2024, and Tuesday, April 30, 2024, beginning at 10:00 AM in Hearing Room A of the Public Utilities Commission office building, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.** Pursuant to Rules 1.8.A and 1.18.C, the hearing will continue from day to day, time to time, and place to place, as required.

The Narragansett Electric Company (“Narragansett” or the “Company”) seasonally mobilizes and operates a liquified natural gas (“LNG”) vaporization facility at property located on Old Mill Lane in Portsmouth, pursuant to temporary emergency waivers from the licensing requirement of the Energy Facility Siting Act. The LNG vaporization facility consists of portable equipment that is mobilized during the winter season to perform peak-shaving for the natural gas distribution system.

In an application filed with the Board on May 19, 2021, Narragansett sought the approval of the Board to mobilize and operate the LNG vaporization facility without need of further waivers while developing a long-term solution to the natural gas capacity constraint and vulnerability challenges facing Aquidneck Island. Following a Preliminary Hearing held in August 2021, the Board granted Narragansett its requested waiver extension for the 2021/2022 winter with the condition that the Company file a supplemental application by April 4, 2022, setting forth its preferred long-term solution.

On April 1, 2022, Narragansett filed a supplemental application with the Board identifying the LNG vaporization facility at Old Mill Lane as its preferred long-term solution and seeking a full license for the facility. The Board has consolidated the Company's original application with its supplemental application in Docket No. SB-2021-04.

As specified in its Preliminary Order 156, the Board designated ten state agencies, local agencies, and political subdivisions of the state to provide the Board with advisory opinions in this matter. The purpose of the hearing is not to rehear the evidence that was presented in hearings before designated agencies, but rather to provide the opportunity to address -- in a single forum, and from a consolidated, statewide prospective -- the issues reviewed and the recommendations made in the proceedings before the designated agencies.

All of the materials filed in this proceeding are on file and available for public review at the Board office located within the Public Utilities Commission office building at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. They are also available online at: https://ripuc.ri.gov/efsb/2021_SB_04.html.

The Public Utilities Commission office building is accessible to the handicapped. Requests for interpreter services for the hearing impaired must be made to the Coordinator at 89 Jefferson

Boulevard, Warwick, 401-780-2108, Kristen.L.Masse@puc.ri.gov at least 72 hours in advance of the hearing. The hearing will be streamed live to the public and archived via the internet at: <https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqOyXw296dg>.

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