

KEEGAN WERLIN LLP

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

99 HIGH STREET, Suite 2900

BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02110

(617) 951-1400

TELECOPIER:

(617) 951-1354

July 25, 2024

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

Re: Docket No. 24-28-NG – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy
Petition for Waiver or Other Relief from Annual Gas Reclassification Process
Notice of Withdrawal of Petition

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (the “Company”), enclosed for filing is the Company’s Notice of Withdrawal of the Petition for Waiver or Other Relief from Annual Gas Reclassification Process in the above-referenced matter. The Company makes this filing in accordance with 810-RICR-00-00-1.12(C) of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission’s (“Commission”) Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



Robert J. Humm

Enclosure

cc: Docket No. 24-28-NG Service List

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a)	
Rhode Island Energy’s Petition for Waiver or)	Docket No. 24-28-NG
Other Relief from Annual Gas Rate)	
Reclassification Process)	
)	

**NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
D/B/A RHODE ISLAND ENERGY’S PETITION FOR WAIVER OR OTHER RELIEF
FROM ANNUAL GAS RATE RECLASSIFICATION PROCESS**

The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (the “Company”) submits this Notice of Withdrawal of the Company’s Petition for Waiver or Other Relief from the Annual Gas Rate Reclassification Process (the “Petition”), which commenced the opening of the above-captioned docket. The Company makes this filing in accordance with 810-RICR-00-00-1.12(C) (“Rule 1.12(C)”) of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission’s (“Commission”) Rules of Practice and Procedure, which states:

A participant desiring to withdraw an application or petition filed with the Commission may file a notice of withdrawal with the Clerk. Such notice shall state the reasons for the withdrawal and conform to the requirements of this rule and §§ 1.6 and 1.8 of this Part. A certificate shall accompany every notice showing service on all participants. Unless otherwise ordered by the Commission for good cause, such notice shall, twenty (20) days after the filing thereof, be deemed to have effected the withdrawal of the application or petition, including amendments, if any; provided, however, that this paragraph shall not be construed as effecting without express permission of the Commission, withdrawal of any application or petition in any proceeding in which a hearing has been held or convened.

The Company filed the Petition with the Commission on June 26, 2024, requesting that the Commission grant its request for a waiver or other relief from the annual gas rate reclassification process. The Company’s gas tariff imposes the following requirement on the Company:

Annually in August, the Company will review the gas consumption of each non-residential firm customer account for the just ended September through August period to determine if any customer account qualifies for a different rate class. If any such customer account does qualify for a different rate class based on this billing information, then commencing with the September billing month, that customer account will be billed under that new rate class.

RIPUC NG-GAS No. 101, Section 1, Schedule A, Section 7.0, Sheet 8 (“Gas Tariff”). This requirement is referred to as the annual gas rate reclassification process, or “re-rate” process.

The relief requested in the Petition was based on the timing of the final cutover of the information technology (“IT”) system, from National Grid USA’s (“National Grid”) IT system to PPL Corporation’s systems, on August 19, 2024. Subsequent to the filing of the Petition and the Company’s responses to the first set of data requests issued by the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (“Division”), National Grid committed to assist the Company with the rate reclassification process for the first two bill batches (Bill Cycles 1 through 10) through August 16, 2024.

Without this commitment from National Grid, the Company could not complete the rate reclassification process in August 2024, for the reasons set forth in the Petition and the Company’s responses to the Division’s first set of data requests. Now, with National Grid’s commitment to assist the Company as noted above, the Company will be able to complete the rate reclassification process in August 2024 and no longer requires a waiver or other relief from its requirements under the Gas Tariff.

To date, the Commission has not held or convened a hearing, nor taken any other formal action, with respect to the Petition in this proceeding. The information provided in the Petition and the Company’s responses to the Division’s data requests are now moot.

Wherefore, for the foregoing reasons and pursuant to Rule 1.12(C), the Company submits this notice of withdrawal of the Petition in the above-captioned docket.

Respectfully submitted,

**THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC
COMPANY D/B/A RHODE ISLAND
ENERGY**

By its attorneys,



Celia B. O'Brien, Esq.
Associate General Counsel
PPL Services Corporation
280 Melrose Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02907
(401) 578-2700
cobrien@pplweb.com



Robert J. Humm, Esq.
Keegan Werlin LLP
99 High Street, Suite 2900
Boston, Massachusetts 02110
(617) 951-1400
rhummm@keeganwerlin.com

Dated: July 25, 2024

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on July 25, 2024, I sent a true copy of this document by electronic mail to all participants on the Docket No. 24-28-NG service list.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'RH', is positioned above a horizontal line.

Robert J. Humm, Esq.