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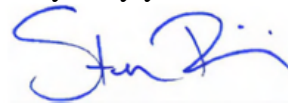
**RE: Docket No. 4290 – Henry Shelton Act
LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation
Responses to PUC Data Requests – Set 1 (Full Set)**

Dear Ms. De La Rosa:

On behalf of The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (the “Company”), I have enclosed the Company’s responses to the Public Utilities Commission’s First Set of Data Requests (Full Set) in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at 401-709-3359.

Very truly yours,



Steven J. Boyajian

Enclosures

cc: Docket 4290 Service List

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d/b/a Rhode Island Energy
RIPUC Docket No. 4290

In Re: Department of Human Services Proposed
LIHEAP Enhancement Charge for Calendar Year 2025
Responses to the Commission's First Set of Data Requests
Issued on October 18, 2024

PUC 1-1

Request:

Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated by the current surcharge in 2024 using the most recent actuals in the calculation with estimates as necessary for November 2024 and December 2024. Include supporting calculations (explain any assumptions). Please present both a combined total as well as electric and gas separately.

Response:

The projected annual revenue generated by the 2024 LIHEAP Enhancement surcharge using nine months of actuals through September¹ 2024 and estimates for October 2024, November 2024 and December 2024 is \$ \$7,546,811. This amount includes electric-related revenue totaling \$4.90 million and gas-related revenue totaling \$2.64 million.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-1 for the supporting documentation.

¹ October 2024 actuals will not be available until November 2024.

The Narragansett Electric Company
CY 2024 Estimated LIHEAP Revenue at \$0.79

		<u>Forecasted Electric Bills</u>	<u>Electric Revenue</u>	<u>Forecasted Gas Bills</u>	<u>Gas Revenue</u>	<u>Total Revenue</u>
		(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
(1)	Jan-2024		\$431,090		\$231,305	\$662,395
(2)	Feb-2024		\$398,409		\$215,216	\$613,624
(3)	Mar-2024		\$411,677		\$221,986	\$633,662
(4)	Apr-2024		\$406,289		\$219,419	\$625,708
(5)	May-2024		\$415,239		\$224,037	\$639,276
(6)	Jun-2024		\$407,582		\$218,834	\$626,416
(7)	Jul-2024		\$406,714		\$215,957	\$622,671
(8)	Aug-2024		\$411,065		\$219,483	\$630,549
(9)	Sep-2024		\$410,242		\$219,610	\$629,851
(10)	Oct-2024	509,495	\$402,501	276,848	\$218,710	\$621,211
(11)	Nov-2024	509,577	\$402,566	277,476	\$219,206	\$621,772
(12)	Dec-2024	505,391	\$399,259	279,010	\$220,418	\$619,677
(13)	Total		\$4,902,632		\$2,644,180	\$7,546,811

- (a) Per Company Forecast
- (b) Lines (1) - (9): per Company Reports. Lines (10) - (12): Column (a) x \$0.79
- (c) Per Company Forecast
- (d) Lines (1) - (9): per Company Reports. Lines (10) - (12): Column (c) x \$0.79
- (e) Column (b) + Column (d)

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PUC 1-2

Request:

Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated in 2025 if the surcharge is set at 81¢. Please present both a combined total as well as electric and gas separately.

Response:

If the LIHEAP Enhancement surcharge is set at 81¢, the projected revenue in 2025 is approximately \$7.69 million. This total includes \$4.96 million of electric-related revenues and \$2.73 million of gas-related related revenue.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-2 for the supporting calculation.

The Narragansett Electric Company
CY 2025 Estimated LIHEAP Charge at Illustrative Charge (\$0.81)

		<u>Forecasted Electric Bills</u> (a)	<u>Forecasted Gas Bills</u> (b)	<u>Total Forecasted Bills</u> (c)
(1)	Jan-2025	509,813	280,503	790,316
(2)	Feb-2025	509,934	281,375	791,309
(3)	Mar-2025	510,046	281,787	791,833
(4)	Apr-2025	510,152	282,014	792,166
(5)	May-2025	510,256	281,780	792,036
(6)	Jun-2025	510,361	281,093	791,454
(7)	Jul-2025	510,467	280,089	790,556
(8)	Aug-2025	510,571	279,739	790,310
(9)	Sep-2025	510,668	279,397	790,065
(10)	Oct-2025	510,762	279,438	790,200
(11)	Nov-2025	510,857	280,045	790,902
(12)	Dec-2025	506,660	281,576	788,236
(13)	Total	6,120,547	3,368,836	9,489,383
(14)	Rate	\$0.81	\$0.81	
(15)	Projected Revenue	\$4,957,643	\$2,728,757	\$7,686,400

(a) Per Company Forecast
(b) Per Company Forecast
(c) Column (a) + Column (b)

(13) Sum of lines (1) through (12)
(14) Illustrative Charge (\$0.81)
(15) Line (13) x Line (14)

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PUC 1-3

Request:

What factor in 2025 will generate as close as possible to, but not less than, \$6,500,000, what factor will generate as close as possible to \$7,000,000, and what factor will generate as close as possible to, but not greater than, \$7,500,000?

Response:

The factor needed in 2025 to generate as close as possible to, but not less than, \$6,500,000 is \$0.69. The factor needed in 2025 to generate as close as possible to \$7,000,000 is \$0.73. The factor needed in 2025 to generate as close as possible to, but not greater than, \$7,500,000 is \$0.79. Please see Attachment PUC 1-3 for the supporting calculations

The Narragansett Electric Company
CY 2025 Estimated LIHEAP Charge Based on \$6.5M, \$7.0M and \$7.5M

		<u>Forecasted Electric Bills</u> (a)	<u>Forecasted Gas Bills</u> (b)	<u>Total Forecasted Bills</u> (c)	<u>Estimated Surcharge</u> (d)	<u>Estimated Revenue</u> (e)
(1)	Jan-2025	509,813	280,503	790,316		
(2)	Feb-2025	509,934	281,375	791,309		
(3)	Mar-2025	510,046	281,787	791,833		
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(12)	Dec-2025	<u>506,660</u>	<u>281,576</u>	<u>788,236</u>		
(13)	Total	6,120,547	3,368,836	9,489,383		
(14)	Charge Based on \$	\$6,500,000		9,489,383	\$0.69	\$6,547,674
(15)	Charge Based on \$	\$7,000,000		9,489,383	\$0.73	\$6,927,250
(16)	Charge Based on \$	\$7,500,000		9,489,383	\$0.79	\$7,496,613

- (a) Per Company Forecast
- (b) Per Company Forecast
- (c) Column (a) + Column (b)
- (13) Sum of lines (1) through (12)
- (14)(a) per Data Request
- (14)(c) Line (13), Column (c)
- (14)(d) Column (a) ÷ Column (c), truncated to 2 decimal places, + \$0.01 in order to generate more than \$6.5M
- (14)(e) Column (c) x Column (d)
- (15)(a) per Data Request
- (15)(c) Line (13), Column (c)
- (15)(d) Column (a) ÷ Column (c), truncated to 2 decimal places, + \$0.01 in order to generate more than \$7.0M
- (15)(e) Column (c) x Column (d)
- (16)(a) per Data Request
- (16)(c) Line (13), Column (c)
- (16)(d) Column (a) ÷ Column (c), truncated to 2 decimal places, + \$0.01 in order to generate more than \$7.5M
- (16)(e) Column (c) x Column (d)

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PUC 1-4

Request:

In the past, the Company reported the number of customers that had received both fuel assistance and emergency payments for both gas and electric. Please provide the same information for the period September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024.

Response:

Please see the chart below for the number of customers that received both fuel assistance and emergency payments for both gas and electric during the requested period.

September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024		
Service	Payment type	Count
Electric	Both Fuel Assistance/Emergency	17
Gas	Both Fuel Assistance/Emergency	171