

August 28, 2025

**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND HAND DELIVERY**

Stephanie De La Rosa, Commission Clerk  
Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission  
89 Jefferson Boulevard  
Warwick, RI 02888

**RE: Docket No. 25-08-GE – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy PUC’s Inquiry Into Rhode Island Energy’s Billing Systems Practices and Performance Request For Proposals (“RFP”) For Consulting Services for the Evaluation of Billing Systems  
Rhode Island Energy’s Updated RFP Summary and New Recommendation**

Dear Ms. De La Rosa:

On behalf of Rhode Island Energy,<sup>1</sup> I have attached for filing with the Public Utilities Commission (the “Commission”) in the above-referenced docket the following documents in accordance with the Commission’s Order No. 25352 issued on May 16, 2025 (the “Order”) and the Commission’s Open Meeting discussion on August 19, 2025:

1. The Company’s Updated Evaluation of Bid Proposals and New Bidder Recommendation for Billing System Evaluation (Attachment 1); and
2. The Company’s Updated Bid Evaluation Spreadsheet (Attachment 2).

The Company released the RFP on June 11, 2025, with a deadline for responses due within thirty days from issuance. As required by the Order, the Company evaluated the bid proposals and on July 21, 2025, submitted the confidential bid responses to the Commission, along with the initial evaluation results and recommended selection for review and a decision by the Commission. At an Open Meeting on July 24, 2025, the Commission discussed the submissions and voted to approve the Company’s recommended selection of Ernst & Young LLP (“EY”). During the contract negotiation phase, EY informed the Company that it was no longer able to do the work and withdrew from the RFP process. The Company proceeded with reevaluating the remaining bidders, and is submitting its updated evaluation summary and results, along with a new recommended selection for the Commission’s review and approval.

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<sup>1</sup> The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (“Rhode Island Energy” or the “Company”).

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The Company seeks protection from public disclosure of certain highly sensitive and proprietary bid information contained in its updated evaluation of the bid proposals, and renews its July 21, 2025 request for protection from public disclosure of certain highly sensitive and proprietary bid information that the bidders provided to the Company as part of their respective bid submissions and information provided to the Commission by the Company as part of its initial evaluation. In compliance with 810-RICR-00-00-1-1.3(H)(3) (“Rule 1.3(H)(3)”) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure and R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-2(4)(B), the Company has provided the Commission with one (1) complete, unredacted copy of the confidential documents in a sealed envelope marked “**Contains Privileged Information – Do Not Release.**” In accordance with 810-RICR-00-00-1.3(H)(2), the Company respectfully requests that the Commission treat the information contained in this filing as confidential on a preliminary basis. The Company is in the process of preparing a public, redacted version of its original filing and this filing for posting on the Commission’s website in the above-referenced docket at which time the Company will file a Motion for Protective Treatment of Confidential Information in accordance with Rule 1.3(H) and R.I. Gen. Laws § 38-2-2(4)(B).

Thank you for your attention to this filing. Please contact me at 401-316-7429 if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,



Jennifer Brooks Hutchinson

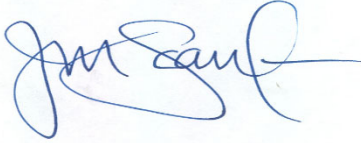
Attachments

cc: Docket No. 25-08-GE Service List

Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that a copy of the cover letter and any materials accompanying this certificate was electronically transmitted to the individuals listed below.

The paper copies of this filing are being hand delivered to the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission and to the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers.



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Joanne M. Scanlon

August 28, 2025  
Date

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