

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND  
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN RE: PROPOSAL TO CHANGE RATE ACCOUNTING :  
AND ISSUE BILL CREDITS RELATING TO A :  
COMMITMENT TO HOLD CUSTOMERS : DOCKET NO. 25-33-GE  
HARMLESS FROM AN ACQUISITION-RELATED :  
INCREASE IN RATES :**

**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION’S FOURTH SET OF DATA REQUESTS  
DIRECTED TO RHODE ISLAND ENERGY (Rhode Island Energy or Company)**

**(Issued October 15, 2025  
Due October 29, 2025)**

- 4-1. In the Company’s Supplemental Responses to the Commission’s Second Set of Data Requests, the responses identify lead times to design, build and test new factors to provide credits based on per kWh or per therm usage. Please identify by name and title the individual at PPL who has substantial knowledge and experience designing, building, and testing factors and performing programming and coding changes in the company’s billing system and is capable of explaining in reasonable detail at an evidentiary hearing why it would take several months to create a new rate factor that credits customers based on kWh or therms. Please also provide a reasonable description of that person’s experience with respect to such billing system matters.
- 4-2. According to the Company’s most recent tariff number 2095, the Distribution Charge for rate classes A-16 and A-60 is \$0.04580 (see Tariff No. 2095, Sheet 2 of 3, Lines A-16 & A-60). Hypothetically, if the Commission ordered the company to reduce that distribution charge for classes A-16 & A-60 by a specified amount per kWh, how many days would be needed to effectuate the change and issue a bill that incorporated the updated rate?
- 4-3. Please provide a sample electric bill for a typical A-16 customer using 500 kWh per month, showing how the Company would credit residential customers under the Company’s current proposal, including any bill messages that the Company intends to include on the bill.
- 4-4. This question is requesting a schedule from the Company that illustrates a hypothetical alternative that delivers monthly bill credits to electric distribution residential customers, using a different funding mechanism to deliver those credits (as in interim measure in order to provide more time for the Commission to review the Company’s proposal that changes the Hold Harmless accounting, evaluate its impacts, and provide time for the Company to modify its billing system). In responding to this inquiry, please assume the following:

- a. The Commission orders the Company to implement monthly fixed credits on the electric bills of residential customers for the months of January through March 2026 that delivers credits valued at \$23.54 per month per residential account, issued on electric bills in the same manner as currently proposed by the Company.
- b. The Commission authorizes the Company to create a regulatory asset equal to the total credits issued, plus interest accrued on the outstanding aggregate balance equal to the Company's weighted average cost of capital (WACC).
- c. The Commission directs the Company to track the aggregate balance to a separate account, as occurs with other costs relating to rates that have reconciliation provisions.
- d. The average number of residential customers for the months of January to March 2026 is 453,729 (calculated from customer counts provided in response to PUC 2-2, page 1 of 1).
- e. The total amount of the residential credits issued January to March 2026 is \$32,042,342 (i.e., the average residential customer count for the months of January to March of 453,729 times monthly electric residential credit per customer of \$23.54 times 3 months from D-21-09 – Rhode Island Energy Calculations of Net Present Value – Attachment 1, page 1 of 9).
- f. The Commission directs the Company to amortize the balance of the resulting regulatory asset over 10 years.
- g. In the Company's annual Retail Rate Filing in the first quarter of 2026, the Commission authorizes the Company to commence recovery of the estimated balance of the credits, subject to full reconciliation annually, effective April 1, 2026.
- h. The Commission defers any final decision relating to changing the manner through which the Company meets its Hold Harmless obligation (i.e., through lump sum payment(s), including the manner of crediting customers on bills) for review and consideration in the company's upcoming base distribution rate case or separately within the current docket.

Assuming a regulatory asset of \$32,042,342 and the 10-year amortization referenced above that commences as of April 1, 2026, please provide an amortization table containing the following for each of the 10 years:

- a. Beginning Balance;
- b. Annual WACC cost;
- c. Annual Revenue Requirement, broken down between principal and interest at the WACC;
- d. Cumulative Revenue Requirement, broken down between principal and interest at the WACC;
- e. Ending Balance.