

May 19, 2006

VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL

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

**RE: The Narragansett Electric Company, d/b/a National Grid
Tariff Advice Filing to Amend R.I.P.U.C. No. 1170,
Basic Residential Rate (A-16)**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

Pursuant to Commission Rule 1.9(c), enclosed please find ten (10) copies of the tariff advice filing of The Narragansett Electric Company, d/b/a National Grid (“National Grid” or the “Company”) to amend the Company’s Basic Residential Rate A-16 for Retail Delivery Service, R.I.P.U.C. No. 1170 (“Rate A-16 tariff”), effective June 1, 2006. The Rate A-16 tariff, marked to show changes from the tariff currently in effect, is contained in this filing, along with a clean copy of the amended document. In addition to the tariff and supporting explanatory information, the Company is enclosing a draft notice that will be published in the *Providence Journal* to notify the public of the filing. The Company will publish this notice after receiving a docket number for this filing from the Commission.

Specifically, National Grid seeks to amend the availability provision of the Rate A-16 tariff to make it clear that service under this rate is available to residential condominium associations for service provided to common areas and facilities, in accordance with Rhode Island Gen. Laws § 39-2-21. The condominium association must provide the Company with documentation of the establishment of a residential condominium and a written statement identifying all buildings or units which are part of the condominium, prior to being placed on this rate. The tariff also makes clear that where a condominium includes space used exclusively for commercial purposes, all electric delivery service provided through the meter serving the commercial space will be charged at the appropriate commercial rate. Electric delivery service provided to Company-owned streetlights will be billed on the appropriate streetlighting tariff.

Attachment 1 to this filing contains the Company’s redlined version of the existing Rate A-16 Tariff, R.I.P.U.C. 1170.

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Attachment 2 contains Narragansett's clean version of the amended Rate A-16 Tariff, R.I.P.U.C. 1199.

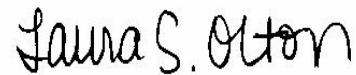
Attachment 3 contains a revised Summary of Rates bill insert, that also clarifies the availability of Rate A-16 for service provided to common areas and facilities of residential condominium associations.

Attachment 4 contains the Company's draft public notice of filing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. The Company is seeking a waiver of the Commission's 30-day notice provision in Rule 1.9(c)(2), since it believes that customers should be aware of the amended availability provision and it should apply as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me at (401) 784-7667.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura S. Olton". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Laura S. Olton

Enclosures

cc: Paul Roberti, Esq.
Tom Ahern, Division
Al Contente, Division

Attachment 1

Proposed Basic Residential Rate A-16
Marked to Show Changes

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY

Basic Residential Rate (A-16)

Retail Delivery Service

R.I.P.U.C. No. 1170

Effective
June 1, 2006

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Monthly Charge As Adjusted

Rates for Retail Delivery Service

<u>Customer Charge per month</u>	\$2.75
<u>Non-Bypassable Transition Charge per kWh</u>	0.575¢
<u>Transmission Charge per kWh</u>	0.436¢
<u>Transmission Adjustment Factor per kWh</u>	0.478¢
<u>Distribution Charge per kWh</u>	3.379¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2006) 3.378¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2007) 3.377¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2008) 3.376¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2009)
<u>Minimum Charge per month</u>	\$2.75
<u>Conservation and Load Management Adjustment per kWh</u>	0.230¢

Rates for Standard Offer Service or Last Resort Service (Optional)

<u>Standard Offer per kWh</u>	per Standard Offer Service tariff
<u>Last Resort per kWh</u>	per Last Resort Service tariff

Tax Note: The rates listed above do not reflect gross earnings tax or sales taxes. However, such taxes, when applicable, will appear on bills sent to customers.

Other Rate Clauses apply as usual.

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
BASIC RESIDENTIAL RATE (A-16)
RETAIL DELIVERY SERVICE

AVAILABILITY

Electric delivery service under this rate is available for all domestic purposes in an individual private dwelling, an individual private apartment or an individual private condominium. Service is also available for farm customers where all electricity is delivered by the Company.

The Company may under unusual circumstances permit more than one set of living quarters to be served through one metering installation under this rate, but if so, the Customer Charge shall be multiplied by the number of separate living quarters so served.

Service under this rate is also available to residential condominium associations for service provided to common areas and facilities. The condominium association must provide documentation of the establishment of a residential condominium and a written statement identifying all buildings or units which are part of the condominium. Except at the Company's option, service to each individual unit shall be separately metered and billed apart from the common areas and facilities. If the Company permits more than one individual unit to be served through one metering installation, the Customer Charge shall be multiplied by the number of individual units served. Where a condominium includes space used exclusively for commercial purposes, all electric delivery service provided through the meter serving the commercial space will be charged at the appropriate commercial rate. Where a single metering installation records electric delivery service to both common areas/facilities and commercial space, all electric delivery service provided through the single meter will be billed under this rate. Electric delivery service provided to Company owned streetlights will be billed on the appropriate streetlighting tariff.

A church and adjacent buildings owned and operated by the church may be served under this rate, but any such buildings separated by public ways must be billed separately.

MONTHLY CHARGE

The Monthly Charge will be the sum of the applicable Retail Delivery Service Charges set forth in the cover sheet of this tariff.

RATE ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS

Transmission Service Charge Adjustment

The prices under this rate as set forth under "Monthly Charge" may be adjusted from time to time in the manner described in the Company's Transmission Service Cost Adjustment Provision.

Transition Charge Adjustment

The prices under this rate as set forth under "Monthly Charge" may be adjusted from time to time in the manner described in the Company's Non-Bypassable Transition Charge Adjustment Provision.

Standard Offer Adjustment

All Customers served on this rate must pay any charges required pursuant to the terms of the Company's Standard Offer Adjustment Provision, whether or not the Customer is taking or has taken Standard Offer Service.

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
BASIC RESIDENTIAL RATE (A-16)
RETAIL DELIVERY SERVICE

Conservation and Load Management Adjustment

The amount determined under the preceding provisions shall be adjusted in accordance with the Company's Conservation and Load Management Adjustment Provision as from time to time effective in accordance with law.

Customer Credit Provision

The amount determined under the preceding provisions shall be adjusted in accordance with the Company's Customer Credit Provision as from time to time effective in accordance with law.

STANDARD OFFER SERVICE

Any Customer served under this rate who is eligible for Standard Offer Service shall receive such service pursuant to the Standard Offer Service tariff.

LAST RESORT SERVICE

Any Customer served under this rate who does not take its power supply from a non-regulated power producer and is ineligible for Standard Offer Service will receive Last Resort Service pursuant to the Last Resort Service tariff.

MINIMUM CHARGE

\$2.75 per month.

GROSS EARNINGS TAX

A Rhode Island Gross Earnings Tax adjustment will be applied to the charges determined above in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Company's Terms and Conditions in effect from time to time, where not inconsistent with any specific provisions hereof, are a part of this rate.

Effective: ~~June 1, 2006~~

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Attachment 2

Proposed Basic Residential Rate A-16

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
Basic Residential Rate (A-16)
Retail Delivery Service

Effective
June 1, 2006

R.I.P.U.C. No. 1170

Monthly Charge As Adjusted

Rates for Retail Delivery Service

<u>Customer Charge per month</u>	\$2.75
<u>Non-Bypassable Transition Charge per kWh</u>	0.575¢
<u>Transmission Charge per kWh</u>	0.436¢
<u>Transmission Adjustment Factor per kWh</u>	0.478¢
<u>Distribution Charge per kWh</u>	3.379¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2006) 3.378¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2007) 3.377¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2008) 3.376¢ (Eff. Jan 1, 2009)
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<u>Standard Offer per kWh</u>	per Standard Offer Service tariff
<u>Last Resort per kWh</u>	per Last Resort Service tariff

Tax Note: The rates listed above do not reflect gross earnings tax or sales taxes. However, such taxes, when applicable, will appear on bills sent to customers.

Other Rate Clauses apply as usual.

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
BASIC RESIDENTIAL RATE (A-16)
RETAIL DELIVERY SERVICE

AVAILABILITY

Electric delivery service under this rate is available for all domestic purposes in an individual private dwelling, an individual private apartment or an individual private condominium. Service is also available for farm customers where all electricity is delivered by the Company.

The Company may under unusual circumstances permit more than one set of living quarters to be served through one metering installation under this rate, but if so, the Customer Charge shall be multiplied by the number of separate living quarters so served.

Service under this rate is also available to residential condominium associations for service provided to common areas and facilities. The condominium association must provide documentation of the establishment of a residential condominium and a written statement identifying all buildings or units which are part of the condominium. Except at the Company's option, service to each individual unit shall be separately metered and billed apart from the common areas and facilities. If the Company permits more than one individual unit to be served through one metering installation, the Customer Charge shall be multiplied by the number of individual units served. Where a condominium includes space used exclusively for commercial purposes, all electric delivery service provided through the meter serving the commercial space will be charged at the appropriate commercial rate. Where a single metering installation records electric delivery service to both common areas/facilities and commercial space, all electric delivery service provided through the single meter will be billed under this rate. Electric delivery service provided to Company owned streetlights will be billed on the appropriate streetlighting tariff.

A church and adjacent buildings owned and operated by the church may be served under this rate, but any such buildings separated by public ways must be billed separately.

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The Monthly Charge will be the sum of the applicable Retail Delivery Service Charges set forth in the cover sheet of this tariff.

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Standard Offer Adjustment

All Customers served on this rate must pay any charges required pursuant to the terms of the Company's Standard Offer Adjustment Provision, whether or not the Customer is taking or has taken Standard Offer Service.

THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY
BASIC RESIDENTIAL RATE (A-16)
RETAIL DELIVERY SERVICE

Conservation and Load Management Adjustment

The amount determined under the preceding provisions shall be adjusted in accordance with the Company's Conservation and Load Management Adjustment Provision as from time to time effective in accordance with law.

Customer Credit Provision

The amount determined under the preceding provisions shall be adjusted in accordance with the Company's Customer Credit Provision as from time to time effective in accordance with law.

STANDARD OFFER SERVICE

Any Customer served under this rate who is eligible for Standard Offer Service shall receive such service pursuant to the Standard Offer Service tariff.

LAST RESORT SERVICE

Any Customer served under this rate who does not take its power supply from a non-regulated power producer and is ineligible for Standard Offer Service will receive Last Resort Service pursuant to the Last Resort Service tariff.

MINIMUM CHARGE

\$2.75 per month.

GROSS EARNINGS TAX

A Rhode Island Gross Earnings Tax adjustment will be applied to the charges determined above in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Company's Terms and Conditions in effect from time to time, where not inconsistent with any specific provisions hereof, are a part of this rate.

Effective: June 1, 2006

Attachment 3

Draft Summary of Rates

Residential

ABOUT YOUR ELECTRIC BILL

Your monthly electric bill typically includes charges for:

(1) **Supplier Services:** the charges for electricity provided by a supplier of energy. Electricity supply is provided by a non-regulated power producer or, if the customer has not chosen a non-regulated power producer, by National Grid.

(2) **Delivery Services:** the charges for the delivery of the electricity and various customer services and programs.

Since 1998, National Grid no longer generates power for its customers in Rhode Island. We are primarily a distribution company that delivers electricity produced by others. However, the Company has contractual arrangements with suppliers to provide electricity to customers who have not chosen a non-regulated power producer or, for whatever reason, have been dropped by their power supplier. Electric service will not be terminated if a customer is dropped by their power supplier.

Our rates are approved by the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) of Rhode Island, the regulatory agency responsible for ensuring that electric rates are fair. However, rates charged by non-regulated power producers are not regulated by the PUC.

SUPPLIER SERVICES

Customers have the option of obtaining their power from a non-regulated power producer. For more information regarding the restructuring of the electric industry in Rhode Island or for a list of the current non-regulated power producers, please visit www.ripuc.org.

If a non-regulated power producer is not chosen or the customer is dropped by a non-regulated power producer, National Grid will provide the customer with the necessary power supply under one of the pricing options noted below. These charges will be in addition to the delivery services charges.

Standard Offer Service

All customers who have not elected to take their electric supply from a non-regulated power producer are eligible to receive Standard Offer Service. Customers who leave Standard Offer Service may not return to Standard Offer Service. The rate for Standard Offer Service

changes based on regulations and is subject to PUC approval. Please see the tariff for more information

Last Resort Service

Any customer who is no longer eligible for Standard Offer Service and has not chosen a non-regulated power producer will receive Last Resort Service. The rate for Last Resort Service changes from time to time, subject to PUC approval.

For more information on Standard Offer or Last Resort Services, please visit www.nationalgrid.com (select “Rhode Island”).

DELIVERY SERVICES

The following is a summary of National Grid’s rates in effect as of November 1, 2005. Tariffs filed with the PUC contain the actual terms and conditions as well as any changes since this publication. You should notify us immediately if you are not being served on the most beneficial rate.

DELIVERY SERVICE RATES

A-16 – Basic Residential Rate

This delivery service rate is available for all domestic purposes in an individual private dwelling or an individual private apartment. It is the rate serving most residential customers, as other rates require special situations.

Service is also available under this rate for:

- Farm customers when all electricity is delivered by the Company
- A church and adjacent buildings owned and operated by the church. However, service to such buildings would be billed separately if they are separated by public ways
- Residential condominium associations for service provided to common areas and facilities in accordance with Rhode Island General Laws § 39-2-21. The condominium association must provide documentation of the establishment of a residential condominium and a written statement identifying all buildings or units which are part of the condominium.

Residential

Customers transferred to this rate include those formerly served under the discontinued A-18 Residential Water Heater Control rate and discontinued A-32 Residential Time-of-Use rate.

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A-60 – Low Income Rate

This delivery service rate is available only to qualified customers for all domestic purposes in an individual private dwelling or an individual apartment. To qualify, a customer must be both:

1. Head of household or principal wage earner, and
2. Receiving Supplemental Security Income from the Social Security Administration, be eligible for the low-income home energy assistance program, or receive one of the following: Medicaid, Food Stamps, General Public Assistance or Family Independence Program Assistance (formerly AFDC). Service under this rate is provided at a discount to the A-16 Basic Residential Service Rate.

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E-30 Residential Storage Heating Rate

This delivery service rate is closed to new customers. Beginning in 2009, this rate will no longer be available to customers currently served under it.

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T-06 – Limited Service All Electric Living Rate

This delivery service rate is closed to new customers. Beginning in 2009, this rate will no longer be available to customers currently served under it.

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PAYMENT OPTIONS

For your convenience, we offer:

- Payment Plans: Pay your outstanding balances by spreading the payments over several months.
- Budget Plan: Even out your monthly payments and avoid seasonal "peaks and valleys."
- DirectPay: Pay your bill automatically from your checking account.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

If you have questions, need more detailed information, or would like copies of the tariff rate schedules, go to www.nationalgrid.com and select "Rhode Island" or call Customer Service at 1-800-322-3223.

Attachment 4
Draft Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Rhode Island General Laws 39-3-11 and Rule 1.9(c) of the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission's ("Commission") Rules of Practice and Procedure, The Narragansett Electric Company, d/b/a National Grid ("Company") hereby gives notice that on May 19, 2006, the Company filed by Tariff Advice a revision to its Basic Residential Rate A-16 for the purpose of clarifying that this rate schedule is applicable to residential condominium common areas and facilities pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws § 39-2-21.

The revised tariff is proposed to become effective June 1, 2006. The Commission may hold a hearing on this issue and will publish a notice of the hearing date. A copy of the application is on file for examination at the offices of the Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The Public Utilities Commission is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must contact the Clerk of the Commission seventy-two hours in advance of the hearing.