

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY d/b/a :
NATIONAL GRID'S STANDARD OFFER :
PROCUREMENT PLAN AND RENEWABLE ENERGY : DOCKET NO. 4041
PROCUREMENT PLAN – NATIONAL GRID'S :
ACCELERATED PROCUREMENT PLAN :

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of the Rhode Island General Laws §§39-1, 39-3 et seq, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (the "Commission") will conduct a Hearing on **Tuesday, April 28, 2009 @ 10:00 A.M.** in Hearing Room A of the Public Utilities Commission, located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required. **The deadline for Intervention of new parties to this docket for the review of the Accelerated Procurement Plan is Friday, April 17, 2009.** Another intervention deadline will be set at the time of the filing of National Grid's full Standard Offer and Renewable Energy Procurement Plans.

In this docket, the Commission will examine the propriety of Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid's proposed Accelerated Procurement Plan ("APP") for Rhode Island Residential and Small Commercial and Industrial Class customers ("Small Customer Class"). The Company indicates that current wholesale market prices for electric energy have dropped significantly and this presents an opportunity to lock in costs below those which customers are currently experiencing. The proposed APP would provide for less than all of the projected supply requirements for the Small Customer class, thus preserving for future consideration of long-term contracts for renewable resources in this docket. Although this proceeding will not set retail rates for the Small Customer Class, the result of approval of National Grid's proposed APP will impact the retail rates which will ultimately be set as a result of National Grid's procurement of power supply for the period commencing January 1, 2010.

The filing may be examined at the Commission's office and at the office of National Grid, 280 Melrose Street, Providence, Rhode Island. The filing can be accessed at www.ripuc.org, under the Commission Docket Menu, Docket No. 4041.

Reference is also made to Chapters 42-35 and 39-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Specifically Sections, 42-35-1, 42-35-2, 43-35-3, 42-35-4, 42-35-5, 39-1-1, 39-1-3, 39-1-11, 39-1-18 and 39-1-38.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
April 10, 2009