

February 10, 2012

**VIA HAND DELIVERY & ELECTRONIC MAIL**

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

**RE: Docket Nos. 4251 & 4252 – Soft-Off Policy  
Joint Request for Continuance and Stipulation to Extend the Time under  
R.I.G.L. § 39-3-11**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

The parties respectfully request a continuance of no more than 60 days relative to the hearing scheduled for February 13, 2012 in the above-referenced matter. The parties have been and continue to be engaged in settlement discussions in the hopes of resolving the remaining issues between them relative to the tariff provisions that National Grid has proposed in these dockets. Specifically, the parties stipulate that the time limitations found in R.I.G.L. § 39-3-11 as they relate to these filings may be extended to allow the parties to continue in their settlement efforts.

Thank you for your attention to this transmittal. If you have any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me at 401-784-7667.

Very truly yours,



Thomas R. Teehan

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