

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: RI DISTRIBUTED GENERATION STANDARD CONTRACT BOARD'S
2014 DISTRIBUTED GENERATION CLASSES, CEILING PRICES AND TARGETS –
DOCKET NO. 4288

IN RE: NATIONAL GRID'S 2014 DISTRIBUTED GENERATION ENROLLMENT
APPLICATION AND ENROLLMENT PROCESS RULES - DOCKET NO. 4277

NOTICE OF HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of Rhode Island General Laws §§ 39-1 and 39-3, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on **Wednesday, February 26, 2014 @ 9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.

The Distributed Generation (DG) Standard Contracts Act (Act) was enacted on June 29, 2011 (R.I.G.L. 39-26.2-1 et seq.) The Act is designed to support and encourage the development of distributed renewable energy generation systems and requires the DG Board to establish renewable energy classes, set renewable energy targets and propose ceiling prices for each class on an annual basis. The Act also requires the DG Board to establish the Standard Contract. The Act requires National Grid to enter into DG Standard contracts for an aggregate nameplate capacity of at least 40 MW of DG projects by the end of 2014. National Grid is also required to file DG Enrollment Application and Enrollment Process Rules that govern National Grid's solicitation process, enrollment process and eligibility requirements for applicants seeking to enter into standard contracts for the supply of electric capacity and energy and Renewable Energy from eligible Distributed Generation projects. The DG Board is delegated with the duty of monitoring the DG Standard Contracts program.

At this hearing, the PUC will examine the propriety of two companion filings submitted by the DG Board and National Grid in compliance with the Act, in Docket Nos. 4288 and 4277, respectively. In Docket No. 4288, the DG Board proposed revised DG Classes, Ceiling Prices and Targets for the 2014 DG Standard Contract. The DG Board recommended that National Grid conduct three enrollments in 2014 and award a total of 13.352 MW DG Standard Contract projects in 2014. In Docket No. 4277, National Grid proposed minor revisions to the existing DG Enrollment Application and Enrollment Process Rules.

The proposals may be examined at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed at www.ripuc.org under Commission Docket Menu, Docket No. 4288 and Docket No. 4277. Reference is also made to Chapters 42-35 and 39-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

The PUC is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Clerk's office at 401-780-2107, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
February 14, 2014