

November 5, 2012

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

**RE: Docket 4290 - LIHEAP Enhancement Charge Filing
Responses to Commission Data Requests - Set 1**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of National Grid, I am attaching responses to the Commission's First Set of Data Requests in the above-captioned proceeding.

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

Very truly yours,



Thomas R. Teehan

Enclosure

cc: Docket 4290 Service List
Steve Scialabba
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Certificate of Service

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Joanne M. Scanlon

November 5, 2012
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Commission 1-1

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Please provide National Grid's monthly electric customer count (as defined by OER in its October 11, 2011 filing) by class, for 2010, 2011 and January through September 30, 2012. (Jeanne Lloyd)

Response:

Please refer to COMM 1-1 Attachment 1 for electric customer count by class for 2010, 2011 through September 2012.

Prepared by or under the supervision of: Jeanne A. Lloyd

The Narragansett Electric Company
Customer Counts

	Rate Class														Total
	A-16	A-60	B-32	B-62	C-06	C-08	G-02	G-32	G-62	M-1	S-10	S-14	X-01		
Jan-10	393,617	36,128	5	2	46,450	919	8,394	1,064	13	3	2,759	396	1	489,751	
Feb-10	393,768	36,325	5	2	46,445	748	8,283	1,051	13	3	2,758	392	1	489,794	
Mar-10	390,003	41,044	5	2	46,668	747	8,442	1,062	12	3	2,756	392	1	491,137	
Apr-10	378,316	40,563	5	2	45,975	745	8,397	1,054	12	3	2,756	394	1	478,223	
May-10	389,112	41,763	5	2	46,682	746	8,374	1,062	12	3	2,744	392	1	490,898	
Jun-10	379,065	40,271	5	2	46,046	739	8,381	1,058	11	3	2,750	392	1	478,724	
Jul-10	388,843	40,864	5	2	46,785	728	8,409	1,048	10	3	2,740	381	1	489,819	
Aug-10	378,300	39,644	5	2	46,259	725	8,399	1,058	10	3	2,735	381	1	477,522	
Sep-10	384,632	40,212	5	2	46,800	725	8,464	1,064	11	3	2,731	381	1	485,031	
Oct-10	389,475	40,328	5	2	47,300	713	8,443	1,059	11	3	2,730	380	1	490,450	
Nov-10	389,648	40,146	5	2	47,183	712	8,389	1,057	11	3	2,725	380	1	490,262	
Dec-10	372,681	38,494	4	2	45,619	701	8,152	1,017	9	2	2,721	379	1	469,782	
Jan-11	390,738	40,036	5	2	47,685	702	8,487	1,035	10	3	2,721	379	1	491,804	
Feb-11	389,631	41,401	5	2	47,564	700	8,379	1,051	11	3	2,711	380	1	491,839	
Mar-11	377,694	35,713	5	2	46,590	676	8,465	1,065	12	3	2,701	383	1	473,310	
Apr-11	392,936	37,927	5	2	47,599	664	8,416	1,045	9	3	2,693	379	1	491,679	
May-11	390,601	40,372	5	2	47,778	609	8,444	1,050	12	3	2,688	379	1	491,944	
Jun-11	389,832	41,644	5	2	47,760	603	8,455	1,060	12	3	2,689	378	1	492,444	
Jul-11	389,442	41,067	5	2	47,971	604	8,460	1,047	11	3	2,681	378	1	491,672	
Aug-11	378,474	39,791	4	2	47,112	605	8,276	1,048	13	3	2,678	377	1	478,384	
Sep-11	389,558	40,895	5	2	47,850	596	8,408	1,044	13	3	2,678	377	1	491,430	
Oct-11	390,594	40,725	5	2	48,060	595	8,479	1,064	13	3	2,676	378	1	492,595	
Nov-11	389,603	40,549	4	2	47,786	596	8,357	1,023	14	3	2,670	379	1	490,987	
Dec-11	379,081	39,512	5	2	47,250	596	8,337	1,031	12	3	2,671	379	1	478,880	
Jan-12	384,009	40,849	5	2	47,622	592	8,314	1,047	13	3	2,673	379	1	485,509	
Feb-12	389,476	41,939	5	2	48,210	589	8,432	1,042	12	3	2,666	380	1	492,757	
Mar-12	389,556	42,317	7	2	48,021	592	8,302	1,040	12	3	2,660	379	1	492,892	
Apr-12	389,485	43,085	5	1	48,104	591	8,334	1,054	12	3	2,659	378	1	493,712	
May-12	377,758	42,579	5	1	47,422	593	8,202	1,050	13	3	2,649	379	1	480,655	
Jun-12	388,502	44,117	5	1	48,219	592	8,373	1,060	13	3	2,641	380	1	493,907	
Jul-12	387,853	43,933	5	1	48,177	592	8,368	1,058	14	3	2,636	380	1	493,021	
Aug-12	387,379	43,731	5	1	48,180	593	8,170	1,041	11	3	2,630	380	1	492,125	
Sep-12	388,193	43,521	5	1	48,256	593	8,218	1,051	12	3	2,625	380	1	492,859	

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Please provide National Grid's monthly natural gas customer count (as defined by OER in its October 11, 2011 filing) by class, for 2010, 2011 and January through September 30, 2012.

Response:

Please refer to COMM-2 Attachment 1 for gas customer count by class for 2010, 2011 and January through September 30, 2012.

Prepared by or under the supervision of: Mariella Smith

**The Narragansett Electric Company
Gas Customer Counts**

Month - Year	Residential Heating	Residential Non-Heating	Small C&I	Medium C&I	Large Low Load	Large High Load	Extra Large Low Load	Extra Large High Load	Non-Firm	Other	Total
Jan-10	197,467	29,433	18,652	4,374	409	167	30	65	24	89	250,710
Feb-10	198,382	28,964	18,684	4,378	412	164	30	67	22	88	251,191
Mar-10	198,776	28,796	18,575	4,380	415	165	30	68	22	86	251,313
Apr-10	198,142	28,518	18,379	4,353	413	162	30	69	24	83	250,173
May-10	197,041	28,321	18,183	4,354	410	159	30	71	24	82	248,675
Jun-10	195,513	28,158	17,985	4,347	410	160	30	72	24	38	246,737
Jul-10	194,951	27,865	17,840	4,336	409	160	30	72	24	37	245,724
Aug-10	194,483	27,818	17,829	4,244	407	161	29	72	24	38	245,105
Sep-10	194,773	27,642	17,834	4,234	419	158	30	75	24	39	245,228
Oct-10	196,027	27,660	18,052	4,251	421	159	30	75	23	39	246,737
Nov-10	198,376	27,715	18,393	4,288	427	160	31	74	22	39	249,525
Dec-10	200,007	27,617	18,707	4,321	429	160	31	75	22	39	251,408
Jan-11	200,705	27,523	18,810	4,331	428	162	29	75	22	39	252,124
Feb-11	201,070	27,292	18,805	4,346	431	161	30	75	22	39	252,271
Mar-11	200,970	27,142	18,742	4,337	433	159	32	75	22	39	251,951
Apr-11	200,373	26,989	18,543	4,325	433	157	32	74	22	39	250,987
May-11	198,864	26,867	18,338	4,309	432	159	33	75	22	39	249,138
Jun-11	197,666	26,738	18,166	4,305	428	160	33	75	22	39	247,632
Jul-11	197,144	26,647	18,070	4,300	426	160	33	75	22	39	246,916
Aug-11	196,767	26,620	17,971	4,326	428	152	33	75	22	39	246,433
Sep-11	196,840	26,611	17,946	4,345	431	149	35	72	22	41	246,492
Oct-11	197,556	26,520	18,061	4,375	440	150	35	73	23	41	247,274
Nov-11	199,476	26,530	18,342	4,403	443	146	35	73	22	41	249,511
Dec-11	200,546	26,476	18,565	4,439	450	150	35	73	22	41	250,797
Jan-12	201,132	26,406	18,653	4,464	452	150	34	74	21	41	251,427
Feb-12	202,306	26,305	18,704	4,487	453	153	34	74	20	38	252,574
Mar-12	203,130	26,233	18,621	4,501	454	152	35	73	21	38	253,258
Apr-12	203,130	26,233	18,621	4,501	454	152	35	73	21	38	253,258
May-12	202,130	26,155	18,269	4,479	457	157	36	71	23	38	251,815
Jun-12	201,441	26,093	18,125	4,477	452	155	36	73	22	38	250,912
Jul-12	201,123	26,013	18,032	4,470	452	154	36	73	22	38	250,413
Aug-12	200,930	25,984	18,427	4,180	354	133	33	59	22	38	250,160
Sep-12	201,224	26,034	18,067	4,478	416	182	33	76	22	38	250,570

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Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated by the proposed surcharge in 2012, using the most recent actuals in the calculation with estimates as necessary for October 2012 through December 2012. Include supporting calculations (explain any assumptions). Please provide the answer for electric and gas separately.

Response:

Please refer to the 2012 LIHEAP Reconciliation for the projected revenues through December 2012. (Page 3 for forecasted electric revenues and Page 6 for forecasted gas revenues).

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Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated by the proposed surcharge in 2013. Include supporting calculations (explain any assumptions).

Response:

For the electric service, based on the current LIHEAP charge of \$0.83 and a projected number of customer bills of 5,924,564 (approximately 493,714 customers per month). The Company forecasts 2013 LIHEAP Revenues of \$4,917,388.

For the gas service, based on the current LIHEAP charge of \$0.83 and a projected number of customer bills of 3,001,656 (approximately 250,138 customers per month). The Company forecasts 2012 LIHEAP Revenues of \$2,491,374.

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Please indicate the number of customer accounts for each electric and gas which were credited with the LIHEAP Enhancement and the amount of the credit. Please also calculate the amount still available to be credited to customers.

Response:

There were 15,753 and 3,044 Gas and Electric customer accounts, respectively, which received credits for a total of 18,797 accounts.

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Please indicate whether the LIHEAP Enhancement credit was applied to any accounts during the non-moratorium period.

Response:

Yes, LIHEAP Enhancement credits have been applied during the months of April through September. Please refer to the 2012 LIHEAP Reconciliation (Page 1).

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During the hearing in this docket in 2011, there was an outstanding question related to the accounting issues associated "with the collection of funds from two sources being held in one fund and applied to the two sources in a mismatched way." (See Order No. 20699 at 10). Please explain how these accounting issues were resolved.

Response:

The following are new Regulatory Deferral accounts which were established for use by Narragansett Electric and Gas for the LIHEAP program:

Activity	Account Name	
142029	LIHEAP Enhancement Program	(Regulatory Asset)
242029	LIHEAP Enhancement Program	(Regulatory Liability)

LIHEAP is tracked separately for Electric (NECO Electric) and Gas (NECO Gas) segments operating as separate business units. On a semi-annual and annual basis the LIHEAP funds balance will be reviewed to determine if a transfer is necessary between the Electric and Gas businesses at the time of the annual rate filing.

Account Analysis

Collection of the LIHEAP charge from both gas and electric service customers will be billed through CSS (customer bills) and will be captured in revenue account # 456040 (activity 456323) ; cons/charge type TBD.

Qualifying customer accounts for both gas and electric service will be credited for the LIHEAP Enhancement Plan fund through CSS (customer bills) and will be captured in revenue account no. 456040 (activity 456323) Cons/Charge type TBD. A periodic report will be provided by the Customer Accounting Group on all credits issued.

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Journal Entries

At month end closing an account analysis / Business Objects query is performed to capture the monthly amounts of all charges and credits for the LIHEAP program and the following entries are booked for both NECO Gas (Co. 48) & Electric (Co. 49). Also, a report will be provided by the State Office of Energy Resource of the customer credits for the program.

All LIHEAP charges collected are transferred from the revenue account to the Regulatory account set up for the Fund.

Debit	Revenue
Credit	Regulatory account -242029 / 142029

All customer credits are transferred from the revenue account to the Regulatory account set up for the Fund.

Debit	Regulatory account -242029 / 142029
Credit	Revenue

Amounts booked to Regulatory accounts 142029 or 242029 will depend on the over or under collection position of the LIHEAP fund balance.

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