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Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02888

**RE: Docket 4290 - Henry Shelton Act
LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation
Response to PUC Data Requests – Set 1**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of National Grid,¹ I have enclosed the Company's responses to the Public Utilities Commission's First Set of Data Requests issued in the above-referenced docket.

Thank you for your attention to this filing. If you have any questions, please contact me at 781-907-2121.

Very truly yours,



Raquel J. Webster

Enclosure

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Charge for Calendar Year 2020
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PUC 1-1

Request:

In both the 2015 and 2016 Plan Reconciliation Reports, the Company reported the number of customers that had received both fuel assistance and emergency payments for both gas and electric. In the 2019 proceeding, the PUC issued a data request for the same information for the two subsequent plan years.

Please update the response to PUC 1-2 (2019 LIHEAP Enhancement proceeding) to include the period September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019.

Response:

Please see the chart below.

September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019		
Service	Payment type	Count
Electric	Both Fuel Assistance/Emergency	146
Gas	Both Fuel Assistance/Emergency	909

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PUC 1-2

Request:

Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated by the current surcharge in 2019, using the most recent actuals in the calculation with estimates as necessary for October 2019 through December 2019. Include supporting calculations (explain any assumptions). Please present both a combined total as well as electric and gas separately.

Response:

The current projected annual revenue from the 2019 LIHEAP Enhancement surcharge is less than \$7.5 million. This amount includes electric-related revenue totaling \$4.85 million and gas-related revenue totaling \$2.61 million.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-2 for the supporting calculation.

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Attachment PUC 1-2

The Narragansett Electric Company
CY 2019 Estimated LIHEAP Revenue at \$0.80

	Forecasted Electric Bills (a)	Electric Revenue (b)	Forecasted Gas Bills (c)	Gas Revenue (d)	Total Revenue (e)
(1) Jan-2019		\$410,268		\$221,934	\$632,202
(2) Feb-2019		\$409,008		\$221,620	\$630,628
(3) Mar-2019		\$406,114		\$217,228	\$623,342
(4) Apr-2019		\$389,786		\$210,039	\$599,825
(5) May-2019		\$408,921		\$219,524	\$628,445
(6) Jun-2019		\$411,378		\$222,338	\$633,716
(7) Jul-2019		\$393,969		\$210,507	\$604,475
(8) Aug-2019		\$412,015		\$221,210	\$633,225
(9) Sep-2019		\$404,234		\$215,974	\$620,209
(10) Oct-2019	503,949	\$403,159	269,220	\$215,376	\$618,535
(11) Nov-2019	504,043	\$403,234	270,267	\$216,214	\$619,448
(12) Dec-2019	501,006	\$400,805	272,106	\$217,685	\$618,490
(13) Total		\$4,852,891		\$2,609,648	\$7,462,539

(a) Per Company Forecast

(b) Lines (1) - (9) per Company Reports; Lines (10) - (12) Column (a) x \$0.80

(c) Per Company Forecast

(d) Lines (1) - (9) per Company Reports; Lines (10) - (12) Column (c) x \$0.80

(e) Column (b) + Column (d)

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PUC 1-3

Request:

Please provide the projected revenues that will be generated in 2020 if the surcharge is set at 80¢. Please present both a combined total as well as electric and gas separately.

Response:

If the LIHEAP Enhancement surcharge is set at 80¢, the projected revenue in 2020 is approximately \$7.48 million. This total includes \$4.85 million of electric-related revenue and \$2.63 million of gas-related revenue.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-3 for the supporting calculation.

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Attachment PUC 1-3

The Narragansett Electric Company
CY 2020 Estimated LIHEAP Charge at Current Charge (\$0.80)

		Forecasted Electric Bills (a)	Forecasted Gas Bills (b)	Total Forecasted Bills (c)
(1)	Jan-2020	504,298	273,922	778,220
(2)	Feb-2020	504,435	275,014	779,449
(3)	Mar-2020	504,584	275,570	780,154
(4)	Apr-2020	504,739	275,744	780,483
(5)	May-2020	504,882	275,508	780,390
(6)	Jun-2020	505,007	274,597	779,604
(7)	Jul-2020	505,118	273,288	778,406
(8)	Aug-2020	505,227	272,698	777,925
(9)	Sep-2020	505,342	272,398	777,740
(10)	Oct-2020	505,460	272,145	777,605
(11)	Nov-2020	505,577	273,214	778,791
(12)	Dec-2020	502,526	275,060	777,586
(13)	Total	6,057,195	3,289,158	9,346,353
(14)	Rate	\$0.80	\$0.80	\$0.80
(15)	Projected Revenues	\$4,845,756	\$2,631,326	\$7,477,082

- (a) Per Company Forecast
- (b) Per Company Forecast
- (c) Column (a) + Column (b)
- (13) Sum of lines (1) through (12)
- (14) Current Charge (\$0.80)
- (15) Line (13) x Line (14)

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PUC 1-4

Request:

What factor in 2020 will generate as close as possible to, but not less than, \$6,500,000 and what factor will generate as close as possible to, but not greater than, \$7,500,000?

Response:

The factor needed in 2020 to generate as close as possible to, but not less than, \$6,500,000 is \$0.70. The factor needed in 2020 to generate as close as possible to, but no greater than, \$7,500,000 is \$0.80.

Please see Attachment PUC 1-4 for the supporting calculations.

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Attachment PUC 1-4

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CY 2020 Estimated LIHEAP Charge needed to collect at least \$6.5M and Charge needed to collect no more than \$7.5M

		Forecasted Electric Bills (a)	Forecasted Gas Bills (b)	Total Forecasted Bills (c)	Estimated Surcharge (d)
(1)	Jan-2020	504,298	273,922	778,220	
(2)	Feb-2020	504,435	275,014	779,449	
(3)	Mar-2020	504,584	275,570	780,154	
(4)	Apr-2020	504,739	275,744	780,483	
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(12)	Dec-2020	502,526	275,060	777,586	
(13)	Total	6,057,195	3,289,158	9,346,353	
(14)		\$4,240,037	\$2,302,411	\$0.70	\$6,542,447
(15)		\$4,845,756	\$2,631,326	\$0.80	\$7,477,082

(a) Per Company Forecast

(b) Per Company Forecast

(c) Column (a) + Column (b)

(13) Sum of lines (1) through (12)

(14) (a) Column (a), Line (13) x Column (c), Line (14)

(14) (b) Column (b), Line (13) x Column (c), Line (14)

(14) (c) Surcharge required to collect no less than \$6.5 million

(14) (d) Column (c), Line (13) x Column (c), Line (14)

(15) (a) Column (a), Line (13) x Column (c), Line (15)

(15) (b) Column (b), Line (13) x Column (c), Line (15)

(15) (c) Surcharge required to collect no more than \$7.5 million

(15) (d) Column (c), Line (13) x Column (c), Line (15)