

October 2, 2017

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

**RE: Docket 4290 - Henry Shelton Act**  
**LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of National Grid,<sup>1</sup> I have enclosed the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Enhancement Plan semi-annual reconciliation for the period of September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017 in accordance with the Public Utilities Commission's (PUC) Order No. 22670<sup>2</sup> in the above-referenced docket. The LIHEAP Enhancement Plan is established pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1-27.12, as reflected in the Company's electric tariff, RIPUC No. 2170; and its gas tariff, RIPUC NG-GAS No. 101B, at Section 7, Schedule C, Sheets 3-4.

The enclosed reconciliation compares actual LIHEAP Enhancement Charge revenue for the period September 2016 through August 2017 to the actual LIHEAP Enhancement Credits issued to customers during the same period. The report shows a beginning fund balance of \$975,422, revenue of \$7,172,718, credits issued to customers of \$5,650,750, and interest of \$51,585, which results in a net increase of a \$1,573,553 balance during the reporting period. As of August 31, 2017, the balance is \$2,548,975.

Pursuant to the PUC's request at the December 11, 2014 Open Meeting, the table on the following page includes a count of LIHEAP recipients during the period between September 1, 2016 and August 31, 2017 that received the primary fuel assistance payment only, the emergency payment only, and both payments.

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<sup>1</sup> The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (National Grid or the Company).

<sup>2</sup> In Order No. 22670 issued on February 16, 2017, the PUC ordered National Grid to file semi-annual reconciliations by May 31, 2017 and September 30, 2017. Previously, National Grid had submitted reconciliations in this docket as set forth by Order No. 21405 and the PUC's December 11, 2014 Open Meeting decision.

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| SERVICE  | PAYMENT_TYPE      | COUNT |
|----------|-------------------|-------|
| ELECTRIC | FUEL ASSISTANCE   | 3146  |
| GAS      | FUEL ASSISTANCE   | 16349 |
| ELECTRIC | EMERGENCY PAYMENT | 799   |
| GAS      | EMERGENCY PAYMENT | 21    |
| ELECTRIC | BOTH              | 324   |
| GAS      | BOTH              | 1800  |

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (401) 784-7415.

Very truly yours,



Robert J. Humm

Enclosure

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**LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation**  
**In accordance with R.I.G.L. § 39-1-27.12**  
For the Period September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017

**Electric & Gas Service**

| <u>Month</u> | <u>Beginning Over(Under) Recovery Balance</u><br>(a) | <u>LIHEAP Enhancement Charge Revenue - Gas &amp; Electric Service</u><br>(b) | <u>LIHEAP Enhancement Credits Issued - Gas &amp; Electric Service</u><br>(c) | <u>Monthly Over/(Under)</u><br>(d) | <u>Ending Balance</u><br>(e) | <u>Interest Balance</u><br>(f) | <u>Interest Rate</u><br>(g) | <u>Interest</u><br>(h) | <u>Ending Over/(Under) Recovery w/ Interest</u><br>(i) |
|--------------|--|--|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Sep-16       | \$975,422  | \$552,631  | \$35,250   | \$517,381                          | \$1,492,803                  | \$1,234,113                    | 2.14%                       | \$2,201                | \$1,495,004  |
| Oct-16       | \$1,495,004  | \$552,635  | \$4,750  | \$547,885                          | \$2,042,889                  | \$1,768,946                    | 2.14%                       | \$3,155                | \$2,046,043  |
| Nov-16       | \$2,046,043  | \$563,731  | \$3,000  | \$560,731                          | \$2,606,775                  | \$2,326,409                    | 2.14%                       | \$4,149                | \$2,610,924  |
| Dec-16       | \$2,610,924  | \$530,012  | \$0  | \$530,012                          | \$3,140,936                  | \$2,875,930                    | 2.14%                       | \$5,129                | \$3,146,064  |
| Jan-17       | \$3,146,064  | \$622,577  | \$500  | \$622,077                          | \$3,768,141                  | \$3,457,103                    | 2.14%                       | \$6,165                | \$3,774,307  |
| Feb-17       | \$3,774,307  | \$633,294  | \$0  | \$633,294                          | \$4,407,601                  | \$4,090,954                    | 2.14%                       | \$7,296                | \$4,414,896  |
| Mar-17       | \$4,414,896  | \$601,546  | \$0  | \$601,546                          | \$5,016,442                  | \$4,715,669                    | 1.84%                       | \$7,231                | \$5,023,673  |
| Apr-17       | \$5,023,673  | \$620,839  | \$3,464,750  | (\$2,843,911)                      | \$2,179,762                  | \$3,601,717                    | 1.84%                       | \$5,523                | \$2,185,285  |
| May-17       | \$2,185,285  | \$615,581  | \$1,519,750  | (\$904,169)                        | \$1,281,116                  | \$1,733,200                    | 1.84%                       | \$2,658                | \$1,283,774  |
| Jun-17       | \$1,283,774  | \$620,113  | \$463,500  | \$156,613                          | \$1,440,387                  | \$1,362,080                    | 1.84%                       | \$2,089                | \$1,442,476  |
| Jul-17       | \$1,442,476  | \$625,775  | \$155,500  | \$470,275                          | \$1,912,750                  | \$1,677,613                    | 1.84%                       | \$2,572                | \$1,915,323  |
| Aug-17       | \$1,915,323  | \$633,983  | \$3,750  | \$630,233                          | \$2,545,555                  | \$2,230,439                    | 1.84%                       | \$3,420                | \$2,548,975  |
|              | \$975,422  | \$7,172,718  | \$5,650,750  | \$1,521,968                        |                              |                                |                             | \$51,585               | \$2,548,975  |

Column Descriptions:

- (a) Beginning balance per 2016 LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation filed September 30, 2016, page 1, column (i). Adjusted for April 30, 2014 credits of \$594,900 which were previously omitted.
- (b) Per company revenue reports
- (c) LIHEAP Enhancement credits processed.
- (d) Column (b) - column (c)
- (e) Column (a) + Column (d)
- (f) (Column (a) + Column (e)) ÷ 2
- (g) Rate of interest paid on cust. deposits - per the PUC order in Docket No. 4290 issued 3/26/2017 regarding the Company's 2016 LIHEAP Enhancement reconciliation, the Company is required to apply interest at the rate of interest applied to customer deposits to the balance in the 2014 LIHEAP reconciliation and going forward
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**LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation**  
**In accordance with R.I.G.L. § 39-1-27.12**  
For the Period September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017

**Electric Service**

| <u>Month</u> | <u>Beginning Over/(Under) Recovery Balance</u><br>(a) | <u>LIHEAP Enhancement Charge Revenue - Electric Service</u><br>(b) | <u>LIHEAP Enhancement Credits Issued - Electric Service</u><br>(c) | <u>Monthly Over/(Under)</u><br>(d) | <u>Ending Balance</u><br>(e) | <u>Interest Balance</u><br>(f) | <u>Interest Rate</u><br>(g) | <u>Interest</u><br>(h) | <u>Ending Over/(Under) Recovery w/ Interest</u><br>(i) |
|--------------|---|--|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Sep-16       | \$16,734,947  | \$361,913  | \$12,500   | \$349,413                          | \$17,084,359                 | \$16,909,653                   | 2.14%                       | \$30,156               | \$17,114,515   |
| Oct-16       | \$17,114,515  | \$361,309  | \$1,500  | \$359,809                          | \$17,474,323                 | \$17,294,419                   | 2.14%                       | \$30,842               | \$17,505,165   |
| Nov-16       | \$17,505,165  | \$368,195  | \$1,750  | \$366,445                          | \$17,871,610                 | \$17,688,388                   | 2.14%                       | \$31,544               | \$17,903,154   |
| Dec-16       | \$17,903,154  | \$346,208  | \$0  | \$346,208                          | \$18,249,362                 | \$18,076,258                   | 2.14%                       | \$32,236               | \$18,281,598   |
| Jan-17       | \$18,281,598  | \$405,462  | \$500  | \$404,962                          | \$18,686,560                 | \$18,484,079                   | 2.14%                       | \$32,963               | \$18,719,524   |
| Feb-17       | \$18,719,524  | \$411,082  | \$0  | \$411,082                          | \$19,130,605                 | \$18,925,064                   | 2.14%                       | \$33,750               | \$19,164,355   |
| Mar-17       | \$19,164,355  | \$391,059  | \$0  | \$391,059                          | \$19,555,414                 | \$19,359,884                   | 1.84%                       | \$29,685               | \$19,585,099   |
| Apr-17       | \$19,585,099  | \$404,833  | \$846,500  | (\$441,667)                        | \$19,143,431                 | \$19,364,265                   | 1.84%                       | \$29,692               | \$19,173,123   |
| May-17       | \$19,173,123  | \$400,820  | \$135,500  | \$265,320                          | \$19,438,443                 | \$19,305,783                   | 1.84%                       | \$29,602               | \$19,468,045   |
| Jun-17       | \$19,468,045  | \$404,328  | \$82,750   | \$321,578                          | \$19,789,623                 | \$19,628,834                   | 1.84%                       | \$30,098               | \$19,819,720   |
| Jul-17       | \$19,819,720  | \$408,367  | \$500  | \$407,867                          | \$20,227,587                 | \$20,023,654                   | 1.84%                       | \$30,703               | \$20,258,290   |
| Aug-17       | \$20,258,290  | \$413,387  | \$2,500  | \$410,887                          | \$20,669,177                 | \$20,463,733                   | 1.84%                       | \$31,378               | \$20,700,554   |
|              | \$16,734,947  | \$4,676,960  | \$1,084,000  | \$3,592,960                        |                              |                                |                             | \$372,648              | \$20,700,554   |

**Column Descriptions:**

- (a) Beginning balance per 2016 LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation, filed September 30, 2016 page 2, column (i), Adjusted for April 30, 2014 credits of \$21,600 which were previously omitted.
- (b) Per company revenue reports
- (c) LIHEAP Enhancement credits processed.
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**LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation**  
**In accordance with R.I.G.L. § 39-1-27.12**  
For the Period September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017

**Gas Service**

| Month  | Beginning Over/(Under) Recovery Balance (a) | LIHEAP Enhancement Charge Revenue - Gas Service (b) | LIHEAP Enhancement Credits Issued - Gas Service (c) | Monthly Over/(Under) (d) | Ending Balance (e) | Interest Balance (f) | Interest Rate (g) | Interest (h) | Ending Over/(Under) Recovery w/ Interest (i) |
|--------|---|---|---|--------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|--|
| Sep-16 | (\$15,759,525)                              | \$190,719   | \$22,750  | \$167,969                | (\$15,591,556)     | (\$15,675,540)       | 2.14%             | (\$27,955)   | (\$15,619,511)                               |
| Oct-16 | (\$15,619,511)                              | \$191,326   | \$3,250   | \$188,076                | (\$15,431,435)     | (\$15,525,473)       | 2.14%             | (\$27,687)   | (\$15,459,122)                               |
| Nov-16 | (\$15,459,122)                              | \$195,536   | \$1,250   | \$194,286                | (\$15,264,835)     | (\$15,361,978)       | 2.14%             | (\$27,396)   | (\$15,292,231)                               |
| Dec-16 | (\$15,292,231)                              | \$183,804   | \$0   | \$183,804                | (\$15,108,426)     | (\$15,200,329)       | 2.14%             | (\$27,107)   | (\$15,135,534)                               |
| Jan-17 | (\$15,135,534)                              | \$217,115   | \$0   | \$217,115                | (\$14,918,419)     | (\$15,026,976)       | 2.14%             | (\$26,798)   | (\$14,945,217)                               |
| Feb-17 | (\$14,945,217)                              | \$222,213   | \$0   | \$222,213                | (\$14,723,004)     | (\$14,834,111)       | 2.14%             | (\$26,454)   | (\$14,749,458)                               |
| Mar-17 | (\$14,749,458)                              | \$210,487   | \$0   | \$210,487                | (\$14,538,971)     | (\$14,644,215)       | 1.84%             | (\$22,454)   | (\$14,561,426)                               |
| Apr-17 | (\$14,561,426)                              | \$216,007   | \$2,618,250   | (\$2,402,243)            | (\$16,963,669)     | (\$15,762,548)       | 1.84%             | (\$24,169)   | (\$16,987,838)                               |
| May-17 | (\$16,987,838)                              | \$214,762   | \$1,384,250   | (\$1,169,488)            | (\$18,157,327)     | (\$17,572,583)       | 1.84%             | (\$26,945)   | (\$18,184,272)                               |
| Jun-17 | (\$18,184,272)                              | \$215,786   | \$380,750   | (\$164,964)              | (\$18,349,236)     | (\$18,266,754)       | 1.84%             | (\$28,009)   | (\$18,377,245)                               |
| Jul-17 | (\$18,377,245)                              | \$217,408   | \$155,000   | \$62,408                 | (\$18,314,837)     | (\$18,346,041)       | 1.84%             | (\$28,131)   | (\$18,342,967)                               |
| Aug-17 | (\$18,342,967)                              | \$220,596   | \$1,250   | \$219,346                | (\$18,123,621)     | (\$18,233,294)       | 1.84%             | (\$27,958)   | (\$18,151,579)                               |
|        | (\$15,759,525)                              | \$2,495,758   | \$4,566,750   | (\$2,070,992)            |                    |                      |                   | (\$321,063)  | (\$18,151,579)                               |

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Joanne M. Scanlon

March 20, 2017  
Date

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