

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: ISSUANCE OF ADVISORY OPINION TO THE ENERGY FACILITY SITING
REGARDING NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC CO. D/B/A NATIONAL GRID'S APPLICATION
TO CONSTRUCT AND ALTER MAJOR ENERGY FACILITIES – DOCKET NO. 4360

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to R.I. General Laws §§ 39-1-1 and 42-98-9(d), as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) will conduct a hearing on **Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 9:30 AM** in the first-floor hearing room at the Commission office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required.

At this hearing, the Commission will review the propriety of a need and cost analysis recommendation to be submitted by the Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities, the Office of Energy Resources and Statewide Planning Program to the Commission, prior to the issuance of an advisory opinion to the RI Energy Facility Siting Board (“Siting Board”), regarding the need and cost-justification of National Grid’s proposal to construct and alter transmission lines and facilities in the Towns of Burrillville and North Smithfield (as part of the Interstate Reliability Project) which application is pending before the Siting Board. Due to specific Commission mandate under the Energy Facility Siting Act, speakers will be limited to their comments, to the Commission, to a discussion “as to the need to relocate the transmission lines.”

The docket and related documents are on file for examination at the Commission Clerk’s office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, R.I. The docket can also be accessed under the Commission’s Docket Menu at www.ripuc.org, Docket No. 4360. Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the RI General Laws.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
February 22, 2013