

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

IN RE: RHODE ISLAND ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND : DOCKET NO. 4684
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COUNCIL'S REVISED :
LEAST COST PROCUREMENT STANDARDS :

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the provisions of the Rhode Island Gen. Laws §39-1-1, as amended, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on **Tuesday, July 17, 2018 at 9:30 A.M.** in Hearing Room A at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island.

In this docket, the PUC approved Energy Efficiency Targets for Years 2018-2020. The approved energy savings targets are intended to ensure that National Grid's efficiency procurement and programs generate savings to customers by investing in significant quantities of efficiency resources that are lower cost than supply. The PUC also approved modifications to the Least Cost Procurement (LCP) Standards (R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-1-27.7) to provide National Grid guidance with utility planning, cost-effectiveness assessment, and program design and implementation strategy when the Company files its annual plans over the same three-year period 2018 - 2020. At this hearing, the PUC will examine the Rhode Island Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council's (EERMC) revised Least Cost Procurement Standards submitted on May 18, 2018 pursuant to the PUC's Open Meeting directive on December 20, 2017 requiring the EERMC to propose revisions to the Least Cost Procurement Standards that define the methodology for comparing the cost of efficiency and the cost of supply. The PUC may rule immediately at the conclusion of the hearing.

The revised Least Cost Procurement Standards may be examined at the PUC's office and accessed at <http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4684page.html>. Reference is also made to Chapters 42-35 and 39-1 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

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Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk
July 12, 2018