

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN RE: PETITION FOR DECLARATORY JUDGMENT FILED BY BLOCK ISLAND
POWER COMPANY - DOCKET NO. 4688

NOTICE OF FILING AND DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS

Pursuant to the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-8 and the Public Utilities Commission's (PUC) Rule of Practice and Procedure 1.10(c), on February 1, 2017, the Block Island Power Company (BIPCo) filed a Petition for Declaratory Judgment seeking a ruling that the PUC issue a judgment declaring that interconnection costs and the standby transformer costs must be socialized by National Grid to all Rhode Island electric ratepayers and should not be imposed solely on BIPCo and its ratepayers. The petition is the result of a dispute that has arisen between BIPCo and National Grid with regard to the Deepwater Wind Project. Specifically, BIPCo seeks to socialize the costs associated with the construction of the Block Island interconnections and the cost of purchasing a backup transformer in the event the transformer at the new substation on Block Island fails.

The PUC hereby gives notice that it has set the following schedule for this matter:

- 02/24/2017 Deadline to file motion to intervene

- 03/14/2017 Deadline to file comments or objections with legal memoranda by National Grid and interested parties

- 03/21/2017 Filing of Division's comments

- 03/28/2017 Filing of BIPCo's reply comments

All filings shall be made electronically to luly.massaro@puc.ri.gov and an original and nine (9) hard copies shall be provided to Luly Massaro, Public Utilities Commission, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, RI 02888.

This schedule is designed to allow for a ruling within sixty days of the filing of the Petition. At the conclusion of the sixty days, the PUC will determine whether it needs to schedule the matter for further consideration. Any hearing on this matter will be subject to a separate notice.

The filing may be examined at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed at <http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4688page.html>.

Luly Massaro, Commission Clerk
February 21, 2016