

January 12, 2020

VIA E-MAIL & COURIER

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

**RE: RIPUC Docket No. 4983 – Renewable Energy Growth Program
2020 Third Open Enrollment Report**

Dear Ms. Massaro:

On behalf of The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid (the Company), enclosed for filing with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (the Commission) please find the Company's response to the Commission's fourth set of data requests in this docket, issued by the Commission on January 4, 2021.

Consistent with the instructions issued by the Commission on March 16, 2020, and updated on October 2, 2020, this filing is being made electronically. Five (5) hard copies of this letter and the service list will be submitted to the Commission within twenty-four (24) hours, with two (2) hard copies being three-hole punched.

If you have any questions, please contact me at: 781-907-2126. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

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The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a National Grid
RIPUC Docket No. 4983
In Re: 2020 Renewable Energy Growth Program
Responses to Commission's Fourth Set of Post-Hearing Data Requests
Issued on January 4, 2021

PUC 4-1

Request:

Please explain how the Company ensures that addresses that are listed as 0 [STREET], TOWN are distinct and do not violate the anti-segmentation provisions of the REGrowth rules.

Response:

The Company does not use project addresses as a means of tracking a distributed generation project or determining its eligibility for the REGrowth program. When the Company has a "0" within a street address, it is merely a placeholder for a location that does not currently have electrical service from the Company, an account number, and/or a premise number. These locations are typically undeveloped parcels of land.

When an interconnection application indicates the intent to apply for the REGrowth program, the Company conducts an initial screening of the application for eligibility, which includes a review of locations in the Geographic Information System, lot lines, assessor's maps, and other tools to verify the property lines against the REGrowth rules. Also, because larger projects applying to the REGrowth program must have a System Impact Study or an Interconnection Service Agreement, the Company will have also already performed a secondary screening for any nearby projects.

PUC 4-2

Request:

Specifically, please confirm that each REGrowth project with an address located at 0 [Street] on Attachment 1, page 3 of 3 was reviewed for compliance with anti-segmentation prohibitions, providing a listing of all projects with the same 0 [STREET] address (regardless of lot/plat identification) at the time of COE approval.

Response:

The two projects listed on Attachment 1, page 3, with "0" in the address are located in two different towns, that are 15 miles apart. Thus, they were not specifically reviewed together for compliance with the anti-segmentation rule in the Open Enrollment process because their distance from each other made such a review unnecessary.

However, the Company's use of the screening tools described in the Company's response to PUC 4-1 should reveal any other nearby distributed generation applications, even if they are pending and not yet interconnected, in order to ensure that the anti-segmentation rule is not triggered.

In addition, projects that apply to Open Enrollments are subjected to one additional review against the Company's database of REGrowth projects to ensure that the anti-segmentation rule is not triggered.