

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held April 3, 2018

An Open Meeting of the Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at 1:30 P.M. in Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island to discuss, deliberate and/or vote on the following dockets.

Present: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Marion Gold, Commissioner Abigail Anthony, Cynthia Wilson-Frias, Linda George, Alan Nault, Sharon Colby Camara, Todd Bianco and Luly Massaro.

- I. Chairperson Curran called the Open Meeting to order at 1:35 P.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

- II. **Docket No. 4536-C – In re: The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid’s Request to Amend Certification** – After discussion, Chairperson Curran moved to approve National Grid’s February 28, 2018 request to amend the certification for the Renewable Energy Growth Small Scale Solar Aggregation by increasing the 12 MW maximum capacity to 140 MW. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and the motion unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- III. **Docket No. 4364 – In re: Narragansett Bay Commission’s (NBC) Miscellaneous Petitions for Relief** – The Commission considered the following Petitions and the responsive pleading by the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers (Division) recommending to approve the Petitions:
 - Miscellaneous Petition for Relief to extend the debt service compliance filing mechanism under NBC’s Variable Rate Debt Obligation in Tax Exempt Commercial debt program until 2022 - Chairperson Curran moved to approve the Petition as submitted. Commissioner Anthony seconded the motion and motion passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - Miscellaneous Petition for Relief request to transfer a portion of its restricted Project Fund to fund a transfer mandated by the State of Rhode Island’s Fiscal Year 2018 Budget - Chairperson Curran moved to approve the Petition. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and motion passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- IV. **Docket No. 4389 – In re: Conanicut Marine Services, Inc.’s (Jamestown & Newport Ferry) Proposed 2018 Rates** – The Commission deliberated and made the following motions.
 - Chairperson Curran moved to find that good cause exist to waive the notice and hearing requirement because the services provided by Jamestown & Newport Ferry Marine does not constitute discretionary services and is not a lifeline service. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - Chairperson Curran moved to approve the proposed 2018 ferry rates. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.** The

Company was put on notice that in future tariff changes, it shall submit a red-line version of the rates showing the changes proposed, and submit a clean version of the tariff.

- V. **Telecommunications Service Providers** - The following companies applied for registration as a supplier of telecommunications services. The Division submitted a memorandum supporting approval.
- **Docket No. 4806 – Alliant Technologies LLC** – Chairperson Curran moved to approve the application. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.**
 - **Docket No. 4812 – Irontrust Properties, LLC** - Chairperson Curran moved to approve the application. Commissioner Gold seconded the motion and the motion passed. **Vote 3-0.**
- VI. There being no further business to discuss, Chairperson Curran adjourned the Open Meeting at 1:58 P.M. A web video of the Open Meeting discussion can be viewed at <http://www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg>.