

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held August 7, 2014

Attendees: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Paul Roberti, Commissioner Herbert DeSimone, Cindy Wilson-Frias and Luly Massaro. Staff Patricia Lucarelli, Amy D'Alessandro, Alan Nault, Todd Bianco and Sharon Colby Camara were not present.

Chairperson Curran called the open meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers Dockets

The following companies filed an application for authority to transact as provider of telecommunications service in Rhode Island.

- 4512 – Block Line Systems, LLC (BLS) & 3908 - Magellan Hill Technologies, LLC (MHT) - BLS filed an application for authority to transact as a provider of telecommunications service. In its application, BLS notified that pursuant to an asset purchase agreement between BLS and MHT, BLS purchased the assets of MHT, including the authority of MHT. Consequently, BLS seeks to relinquish the authority of MHT simultaneous with approval of BLS's application. The Division supports approval of BLS' application for authority and the request to relinquish MHT's authority.

After review, Commissioner Roberti moved to approve Block Line Systems' application for authority. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Commissioner Roberti moved to recall and cancel the authority of Magellan Hill Technologies. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

- 2262(Y21) – Spectrotel of New England, LLC d/b/a Surfhone – Spectrotel of New England filed an application for authority to transact as a provider of telecommunications service. The Division supports approval of the application. After review, Commissioner Roberti moved to approve the application for authority of Spectrotel of New England. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The following companies filed tariff revision to their existing tariffs (on date). The Division reviewed the tariff filings and recommended that they be allowed to go into effect without suspension:

- 2618 – AT&T Corp. (tariff filings 7/15 & 8/1/14)
- 3008 – EarthLik Business, LLC (tariff filing 7/23/14)
- 2262(V8) – Americatel Corporation (tariff filing 7/25/14)
- 2262(A6) – SBC Long Distance, LLC (tariff filings 7/10 & 7/28/14)
- 2262(K) – SNET America, Inc. (tariff filing 7/10/14)

After review, the PUC moved to adopt the Division's recommendation to allow the tariffs go into effect without suspension.

Gas Marketers

The following companies filed an application for authority to transact as a gas marketer. The Division reviewed the applications and recommended approval of:

- 2379(H3) – Secure Energy Solutions, LLC (6/27/14)
- 2379(I3) – Choice! Energy Services Retail, L.P. (7/16/14)

After review, Commissioner Roberti moved to approve the applications. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

4442 – The Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid – The PUC reviewed the record regarding National Grid's July 31, 2014 Compliance Filing. After review, the following issues were deliberated upon:

1. Modified Compliance Tariff S-05 - Commissioner DeSimone moved to find that the National Grid's Tariff S-05 is in compliance with PUC's July 25 open meeting decision. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
2. Tariff S-05 Retail Delivery Rate – Commissioner Roberti moved that the rate be based on the cost allocation methodology approved in National Grid's last rate case (Docket No. 4323) and adopted the rate of 3.825¢ per kWh. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**
3. Revised Attachment Agreement - Commissioner Roberti moved to find that the revised Attachment Agreement is consistent with Mr. Hahn's Memorandum dated August 6, 2014. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The open meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.