

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

Public Utilities Commission

Minutes of Open Meeting Held December 11, 2014

Attendees: Chairperson Margaret Curran, Commissioner Herbert DeSimone, Commissioner Paul Roberti, Patricia Lucarelli, Cindy Wilson-Frias Alan Nault, Sharon Colby Camara, Todd Bianco and Luly Massaro.

Chairperson Curran called the open meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. in the first-floor hearing room of the Public Utilities Commission. A quorum was present.

Minutes of Open Meeting held on November 24, 2014: After review, Commissioner DeSimone moved to approve the minutes. Commissioner Robert seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

Competitive Telecommunications Service Providers Dockets

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

- 2618 – AT&T Corp. (tariff filings 12/2/14)
- 3028 – CenturyLink Communications, LLC (tariff filing 11/26/14)
- 2262(A6) – SBC Long Distance, LLC (tariff filing 11/14/14)
- 2262(V8) – Americatel Corp. (tariff filing 11/26/14)

After review, the PUC adopted the Division's recommendation. **Vote 3-0.**

4532 – Stillwater's Edge Realty LLC (Company) – The Company filed an application for certification of the SER Solar Facility – 23 Appian Way, a 0.05247 MW solar energy generation unit located in Smithfield, Rhode Island, as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource. PUC Consultant filed a memorandum summarizing his review and recommended approval of the application with the conditional requirement that the Company provide written documentation verifying Commercial Operation and Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Asset Identification Number. After review, Commissioner Roberti moved to approve the application as recommended by PUC Consultant. Commissioner DeSimone seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

4290 – Department of Human Services (DHS) and National Grid – DHS filed on October 8, 2014 Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP) Enhancement Plan Rates for 2015 recommending the continuation of the LIHEAP Enhancement Charge of \$.73 per month to be collected from National Grid's electric and gas distribution customers effective January 1, 2015. National Grid filed on October 29, 2014 the LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation Filing projecting that the proposed LIHEAP Enhancement Charge would result in revenues of approximately \$6,710,261 in 2015. The Division filed a letter finding the proposed LIHEAP Enhancement Charge at \$.73 to be reasonable and recommends approval of both filings. After review, Commissioner DeSimone moved to approve both DHS' LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Rates Filing and

National Grid's LIHEAP Enhancement Plan Reconciliation Filing. Further, that e reporting requirement is amended so that National Grid is required to provide a reconciliation report to DHS on May 31 and September 30. Commissioner Roberti seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

4514 – National Grid – National Grid filed on November 6, 2014 a tariff filing to amend RIPUC NG-Gas No. 101. The filing was further supplemented on November 21, 2014. Specifically, National Grid seeks to amend certain sections of NG-Gas No. 101 tariff to provide that all gas delivered to non-firm sales customers during curtailment, whether it is authorized or unauthorized gas, will be subject to the distribution charges and energy efficiency program charge in effect during the time of the gas usage. National Grid also seeks to make other clarifying changes and administrative correction to the gas tariff. National Grid represented that the Division concurs with the proposed revisions. After review, Commissioner Roberti found the filing appropriate and moved to approve. Chairperson Curran seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously passed. **Vote 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 1:35 P.M.