

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 24-68 June 20, 2024

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, for review and approval of a Performance-Based Ratemaking Plan.

On June 14, 2024, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (together, "National Grid" or "Company"), submitted its annual performance-based ratemaking ("PBR") plan with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") seeking approval to recover the costs associated with two exogenous storm events through its exogenous storm factors for effect October 1, 2024. This filing was made pursuant to Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.P.U. 18-150 (2019) and the Company's PBR tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1423. The Department docketed this petition as D.P.U. 24-68.

National Grid proposes an increase to its exogenous storm factors of \$81,480,482 associated with two exogenous storm events. Specifically, National Grid proposes to recover \$16,296,096 each year for a five-year period beginning on October 1, 2024. In addition, the Company provides a progress report on its PBR scorecard metrics.

If the Company's request is approved as proposed, a typical National Grid residential basic service (R-1) customer using 600 kilowatt-hours ("kWh") of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.64 or 0.3 percent, as compared to current rates, and a typical National Grid residential low-income basic service (R-2) customer using 600 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.44 or 0.3 percent, as compared to current rates. The Company states that bill impacts for commercial and industrial customers will vary based on rate class and usage. Customers may contact the Company for specific bill impact information.

Any person interested in commenting on this matter may submit written comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday**, **July 10**, **2024**. Written comments from the public may be sent by email to dpu.efiling@mass.gov, Scott.Seigal@mass.gov, and the Company's attorneys, Melissa Liazos, Esq., at melissa.liazos@nationalgrid.com and Andrea

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Keeffe, Esq., at Andrea.Keeffe@nationalgrid.com. Please note that, in the interest of transparency, any comments will be posted to our website as received and without redacting personal information, such as addresses, telephone numbers, or email addresses. As such, consider the extent of information you wish to share when submitting comments. The Department strongly encourages public comments to be submitted by email. If, however, a member of the public is unable to send written comments by email, a paper copy may be sent to Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110.

Any person who desires to participate otherwise in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding shall file a petition for leave to intervene no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Wednesday**, **July 10, 2024.** A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 CMR 1.03. Receipt by the Department constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 CMR 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 CMR 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10. All responses to petitions to intervene must be filed by the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on the <u>second</u> business day after the petition to intervene was filed.

All documents should be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by e-mail attachment to <u>dpu.efiling@mass.gov</u> and <u>Scott.Seigal@mass.gov</u>. The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 24-68); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website through our online File Room as soon as practicable (enter "24-68") at:

https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber. In addition, one copy of all written comments and petitions to intervene should be emailed to the Company's attorneys, Melissa Liazos, Esq., at melissa.liazos@nationalgrid.com and Andrea Keeffe, Esq., at Andrea.Keeffe@nationalgrid.com.

The filing and all subsequent related documents submitted to the Department or issued by the Department will be available on the Department's website as referenced above as soon as is practicable. To the extent a person or entity wishes to submit comments or intervene in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed above, is sufficient. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), contact the Department's ADA coordinator at Jenyka.Spitz-Gassnola2@mass.gov.

For further information regarding the Company's filing, please contact the Company's attorneys, identified above. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Scott Seigal, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at Scott.Seigal@mass.gov.