



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 23-03

January 23, 2023

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company each d/b/a National Grid, for approval of their annual Pension/PBOP Adjustment Factors for effect on March 1, 2023.

On January 13, 2023, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (“Company”), filed a petition with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) for approval of their annual pension and post-retirement benefits other than pensions (“PBOP”) adjustment factors (“PAFs”). The Company made this filing pursuant to the Pension/PBOP Adjustment Mechanism tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1439. The Department docketed this matter as D.P.U. 23-03.

The Company proposes the following PAF credits effective March 1, 2023:

Rate Class	PAF Credits (\$/kWh)
Residential (R-1/R-2)	0.00087
General Service-Small Commercial and Industrial (G-1)	0.00082
General Service—Demand (G-2)	0.00062
Time-of-Use (G-3)	0.00033
Streetlighting	0.00731

The Company is proposing rate class specific PAFs with a total Company average 2023 PAF credit of \$0.00069 per kWh. This reflects an average decrease of \$0.00140 per kWh from the Company's total average PAF of \$0.00071 per kWh currently in effect. The decrease in the 2023 PAF applicable to a typical resident customer using 600 kWh results in a monthly bill decrease of \$1.07 or 0.4 percent.

Any person who desires to file written comments or to participate otherwise in this proceeding shall file written comments or a petition for leave to intervene no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, February 15, 2023**. At this time, all filings will be submitted only in electronic format consistent with the Commission's June 15, 2021 directive related to modified filing requirements. Ordinarily, all parties would follow Sections B.1 and B.4 of the Department's Standard Ground Rules (D.P.U. 15-184-A, App. 1 (March 4, 2020)); however, until further notice, parties must retain the original paper version and the Department will later determine when the paper version must be filed with the Department Secretary.

A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 CMR 1.03. Receipt by the Department, not mailing, 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 written comments or other documents must be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by e-mail attachment to dpuefiling@mass.gov and katherine.e.stock@mass.gov. In addition, all written comments should be emailed to the Company's attorney, Meabh Purcell at meabh.purcell@nationalgrid.com.

The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 23-03); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The email must also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about this filing. The electronic file name should identify the document but should not exceed 50 characters in length. Importantly, all large files submitted must be broken down into electronic files that do not exceed 20 MB. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website through

our online File Room as soon as practicable (enter “23-03”) at:
<https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber>.

At this time, a paper copy of the filing will not be available for public viewing at the Company’s offices or the Department due to certain ongoing safety measures and precautions relating to in-person events as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The filing and all subsequent related documents, pleadings and/or filings submitted to the Department and/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 DPUADACoordinator@mass.gov.

For further information regarding the Company’s filing, please contact the Company’s attorney, identified above. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Katherine Stock, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at katherine.e.stock@mass.gov.