



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 21-104

September 21, 2021

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, to the Department of Public Utilities for approval of recovery of costs associated with Solar Phase III generation facilities located in Northborough and Worcester, Massachusetts, constructed pursuant to Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.P.U. 16-104, and in accordance with the Solar Cost Adjustment Provision, M.D.P.U. No. 1458.

On September 1, 2021, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (“Company”), submitted a filing with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) requesting the recovery of costs associated with the Company’s Solar Phase III generation facilities located in Northborough and Worcester, Massachusetts, and placed into service during early 2021 (“two facilities”). The Company constructed the facilities and requests recovery in accordance with its solar cost adjustment provision (“SCAP”) tariff, currently M.D.P.U. No. 1458, and Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.P.U. 16-104. The Company also requests Department approval of proposed SCAP tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1474, for effect November 1, 2021, to replace M.D.P.U. No. 1458 and reflect the addition of the two facilities. The Department has docketed this filing as D.P.U. 21-104.

The Company requests recovery for its capital investment revenue requirement of \$1,026,758 for the two facilities through the following solar cost adjustment factors proposed for effect on or after November 1, 2021:

Rate Class	\$ per kilowatt-hour (“kWh”)
R-1/R-2	0.00069
G-1	0.00058
G-2	0.00043
G-3	0.00025
S	0.00056

If the Company's request is approved as proposed, the monthly bill for a typical Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company residential basic service customer using 600 kWhs of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.13, or 0.1 percent, based on rates in effect on September 1, 2021. Bill impacts for commercial and industrial customers will vary. These customers should contact the Company for specific bill information.

The Department will accept written comments on the Company's filing until close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, October 13, 2021**. Any person who otherwise desires to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding shall file a petition for leave to intervene no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, October 6, 2021**. 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.

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.

All documents must be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by e-mail attachment to dpu.efiling@mass.gov and kerri.phillips@mass.gov. The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 21-104); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. 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 "21-104") at: <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Flerom/dockets/bynumber>. In addition, one copy of all written comments and petitions to intervene should be emailed to the Company's attorney, Bonnie C. Raffetto, Esq., at bonnie.raffetto@nationalgrid.com.

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 the state of emergency. 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 intervention petitions 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 counsel for the Company, Bonnie C. Raffetto, Esq., at bonnie.raffetto@nationalgrid.com. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Kerri DeYoung Phillips, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at kerri.phillips@mass.gov.