



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 17-11

February 3, 2017

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a) and 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4)(e) for approval of their 2016 electric reconciliation filing, effective March 1, 2017.

On January 13, 2017, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (collectively, “Company”) filed with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) their annual electric reconciliation filing, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a) and 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4)(e). The filing consists of the preliminary reconciliation of 2016 costs and revenues for the Company’s transition charges, transmission charges, basic service reconciliation adjustment, the renewable energy recovery factor (“RERF”), net metering recovery surcharge (“NMRS”), and Attorney General consultant expense factors (“AGCEF”). The Company proposes updated charges and tariffs to be effective March 1, 2017. The Department has docketed this petition as D.P.U. 17-11.

The table below summarizes the average current and proposed rates.

| Rate | Increase (Decrease) | | |
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| | 2016 Current Average Charge (¢/kWh) | 2017 Proposed Average Charge (¢/kWh) | Change (¢/kWh) |
| Basic Service Reconciliation Adjustment | (0.161) | 0.162 | 0.323 |
| Transition Charge | (0.031) | 0.055 | 0.086 |
| Transmission Charge | 2.489 | 2.513 | 0.024 |
| AGCEF | 0.000 | 0.003 | 0.003 |
| RERF | (0.012) | 0.050 | 0.062 |
| NMRS | N/A | 0.301 | 0.301 |

In separate filings, the Company is proposing changes to its Residential Assistance Adjustment Factor (D.P.U. 16-RAAF-09), Revenue Decoupling Adjustment Factor (D.P.U. 17-09), Pension Adjustment Factor (D.P.U. 17-27), Solar Cost Adjustment Factor (D.P.U. 17-28), and Capital Investment Recovery Mechanism (D.P.U. 16-91), effective March 1, 2017, that will also impact ratepayers’ bills.

Approval of the Company's proposed rate adjustments for effect March 1, 2017, would result in the following bill impacts: (1) the bill of a typical Massachusetts Electric Company residential customer using 600 kWh of electricity per month will increase by \$7.58 or 6.1 percent; and (2) the bill of a typical Nantucket Electric Company residential customer using 600 kWh of electricity per month will increase by \$7.58 or 6.0 percent. The Company states that the average bill impacts for all customers range from an increase of 1.2 percent to an increase of 9.6 percent depending on their rate class and use. For specific bill impacts, please contact the Company as shown below.

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, February 22, 2017**. One original and one (1) copy of all written documents must be filed with Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. In addition, one (1) copy of all written documents must be sent to counsel for the Company, Meabh Purcell, 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451.

All documents should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dpu.efiling@state.ma.us and the hearing officer, Sarah A. Smegal at Sarah.Smegal@state.ma.us; or (2) on a CD-ROM. The text of the e-mail or CD-ROM label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 17-11); (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: <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

Copies of the filing are available for inspection during regular business hours at the Company's offices, 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451 and the offices of the Department, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. The petition is also available on the Department's website and may be accessed by docket number (D.P.U. 17-11) in the file room at <http://web1.env.state.ma.us/DPU/FileRoom/dockets/bynumber>. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format) contact Theresa Kelly at Theresa.Kelly@state.ma.us or (617) 305-3642. For further information regarding the filing, please contact counsel for the Company, Meabh Purcell, at (781) 907-1789. For further information regarding this notice, please contact Sarah A. Smegal, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at (617) 305-3653.