

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 17-41 March 10, 2017

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, for Approval of its 2017 Energy Efficiency Reconciling Factors, for effect May 1, 2017.

On March 1, 2017, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (together "National Grid" or "Company"), filed with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") a petition seeking approval of its 2017 Energy Efficiency Reconciling Factors ("EERFs"), effective May 1, 2017. The Company also proposes a revised Energy Efficiency Surcharge ("EES") tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1340, effective May 1, 2017. The Department docketed the Company's petition as D.P.U. 17-41.

An EERF collects additional funds for approved energy efficiency programs when the cost of implementing those programs exceeds other funding sources. See G.L. c. 25, § 19(a). The Company proposes EERFs of: (1) 1.833 cents per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") for the residential rate class; (2) 0.215 cents per kWh for the low-income rate class; and (3) 0.721 cents per kWh for the commercial and industrial ("C&I") rate class.

If the Department approves the 2017 EERFs as proposed, a National Grid residential customer (R-1) using 600 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$1.80, or approximately 1.4 percent, and a residential low-income (R-2) customer using 600 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.14, or approximately 0.2 percent. C&I customers will experience an increase to monthly bills in the range of 0.3 percent to 0.7 percent. 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 **Friday, March 31, 2017**. One original and two (2) copies 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 copy of all written comments should be sent to the Company's attorney, Patricia Crowe, 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451.

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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 caroline.conti@state.ma.us or (2) on a CD-ROM. The text of the e-mail or CD-ROM must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding D.P.U. 17-41; (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website (insert docket number 17-41) at: http://web1.env.state.ma.us/DPU/FileRoom/Dockets/DocketbyNumber.

The Company's petition is available during regular business hours at Company's offices, 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451 and at the Department's offices, One South Station – 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. In addition, the filing is also available on the Department's website as referenced above. 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.

Any person desiring further information regarding the petition should contact counsel for the Company, Patricia Crowe, Esq. at 781-907-1848. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Caroline Conti, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at 617-305-3500.