



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

### NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 25-73

June 30, 2025

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.

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On June 13, 2025, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (together, “National Grid” or “Company”), submitted an annual performance-based ratemaking (“PBR”) plan with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) seeking approval for tariff adjustment and to recover costs related to exogenous storm factors for effect October 1, 2025. This filing was made pursuant to Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.P.U. 23-150 (2024), and the Company’s PBR tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1561. The Department docketed this petition as D.P.U. 25-73.

The Company is requesting that the Department approve a PBR operation and maintenance (“PBR-O”) Adjustment for effect October 1, 2025, of \$26,400,630 based on a PBR-O percentage adjustment of 4.700 percent. As a component of the PBR-O, the Company is requesting an exogenous cost adjustment of \$8,668,426 for prospective borderline service costs between Massachusetts Electric Company (“MECo”) and Narragansett Electric Company, and \$179,232 associated with administrative cost related to income-eligible programs and \$34,571 associated with implementation of the Company’s heat pump implementation costs. In addition, outside of the PBR-O, the Company is requesting a separate exogenous cost adjustment factor to recover \$19,929,362 for borderline service costs previously incurred from June 2022 to December 2024. The Company has provided a proposed revised tariff, M.D.P.U. 1602, to account for these changes. In addition, the Company provides a progress report on its PBR scorecard metrics.

If the Company’s request is approved as proposed, the monthly bill impact on a Mass. Electric and a Nantucket Electric Company 600 kWh Basic Service residential (R-1) customer bill as a result of the implementation of the proposed PBR-O Adjustment, the five-year recovery of the Exogenous Storm Event and the one-year recovery for Borderline Sales is an increase of \$2.12, or 1.0 percent. If approved, the bill impact on a Mass Electric and a Nantucket Electric Company 600 kWh Basic Service residential low-income (R-2) customer bill is an increase of \$1.44 or 1.0 percent. 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 16, 2025**. Written comments

from the public may be sent by email to [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov), [Connor.Mcelroy@mass.gov](mailto:Connor.Mcelroy@mass.gov), and the Company's attorneys, Melissa Liazos, Esq., at [melissa.liazos@nationalgrid.com](mailto:melissa.liazos@nationalgrid.com), and Robert J. Humm, Esq., at [rhum@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:rhum@keeganwerlin.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 16, 2025**. 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 second 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 [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov) and [Connor.Mcelroy@mass.gov](mailto:Connor.Mcelroy@mass.gov). The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 25-73); (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 "25-73") 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](mailto:melissa.liazos@nationalgrid.com), and Robert J. Humm, Esq., at [rhum@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:rhum@keeganwerlin.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 (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format) for people with disabilities contact the Department's ADA coordinator at [eadiversity@mass.gov](mailto:eadiversity@mass.gov) or (617) 626-1282.

Any person desiring further information regarding the Company's filing or a paper copy of the filing should contact the Company's attorneys, identified above. For further information regarding this notice, please contact Connor McElroy, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at [Connor.McElroy@mass.gov](mailto:Connor.McElroy@mass.gov).