



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 26-45

March 31, 2026

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, for approval of the Company's proposal for recovery of the deferred cost associated with the bill reduction, net of the Commonwealth's proceeds, for approval by the Department for rates effective May 1, 2026.

On March 16, 2026, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid ("Companies") filed with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department"), a petition for approval of a proposed new tariff called the winter relief recovery provision, M.D.P.U. No. 1629. The purpose of the winter relief recovery provision is to allow the Company to recover deferred cost associated with the 25 percent residential customer bill reduction, net of the Commonwealth's proceeds, applied to February and March 2026 customer usage. The Department approved National Grid's winter relief deferral on January 30, 2026, in Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, D.P.U. 26-11. The filing also includes updates to Nantucket Electric Company's Residential Regular Retail Delivery Service tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 706; Nantucket Electric Company's Residential Low-Income Retail Delivery Service tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 705; Massachusetts Electric Company's Residential Regular Retail Delivery Service tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1634; and Massachusetts Electric Company's Residential Low-Income Retail Delivery Service tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1631. Accompanying the filing are a plain language summary and outreach plan. The Department has docketed the petition as D.P.U. 26-45.

The Company proposes a Winter Rate Relief Factor of \$0.00528 per kwh, effective May 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026, and subject to the Department's review and approval. Currently, the deferral of costs is set to begin being collected on April 1, 2026. Stamp-Approved Revised Petition, D.P.U. 26-11 at 3 (January 30, 2026). If approved, a typical residential customer of Nantucket Electric Company will see an average monthly bill increase of \$3.17, or 1.3 percent, and a typical residential customer of Massachusetts Electric Company will see an average monthly bill increase of \$3.17, or 1.4 percent, both compared to the rates that would otherwise be in effect.

Any person who desires to provide written comment on this matter may submit their comments to the Department no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on April 15, 2026. Written comments from the public may be sent by email to dpu.efiling@mass.gov, Mathieu.Cunha@mass.gov, and the Company's attorney, Christopher Tuomala, Esq., at Christopher.Tuomala@nationalgrid.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 Peter Ray, 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 **April 15, 2026**. 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 and Mathieu.Cunha@mass.gov. The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 26-45); (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 online [File Room](#) (enter "26-45" on the line for Docket No.). In addition, one copy of all written comments and petitions for leave to intervene should be emailed to the Company's attorney, Christopher Tuomala, Esq., at Christopher.Tuomala@nationalgrid.com.

The Company's 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 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), contact the Department's ADA coordinator at eadiversity@mass.gov or (617) 626-1282.

For further information regarding the Company's filing please contact the Company's attorney, identified above. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Mathieu Cunha, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at Mathieu.Cunha@mass.gov.