



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

### NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 26-GREC-03

May 20, 2026

Petition of Boston Gas Company d/b/a National Grid pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 145(f), for review and approval of the reconciliation of its 2025 Gas System Enhancement Plan and its Gas System Enhancement Reconciliation Adjustment Factors.

On May 1, 2026, Boston Gas Company (“Boston Gas Division”) d/b/a National Grid (“National Grid” or “Company”) submitted to the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) a reconciliation of its 2025 gas system enhancement plan (“GSEP”) to address aging natural gas pipeline infrastructure. According to the Company, it calculates a revenue requirement of \$33,908,318 for the Boston Gas Division and \$(791,492) for the former Colonial Gas Company (“Colonial Gas Division”). The Department has docketed this matter as D.P.U. 26-GREC-03.

For the Boston Gas Division, the Company states that its entire revenue requirement exceeds the 2.5 percent GSEP cap. The Company does not request a waiver. Instead, the Company proposes to defer the over-the-cap amount of \$33,908,318 for recovery through the gas system enhancement adjustment factors (“GSEAFs”) for effect January 1, 2027, to be filed in the Company’s base distribution rate case, D.P.U. 26-50. Additionally, the Company credits the final ending balances of costs related to the repair of grade three leaks of significant environmental impact (“G3SEI”) of \$621,971 for the Boston Gas Division. The Company proposes to transfer this credit to the GSEAFs effective January 1, 2027. Therefore, the Company proposes to set the gas system enhancement reconciliation adjustment factors (“GSERAFs”) at zero for Boston Gas Division effective November 1, 2026.

For the Colonial Gas Division, the Company’s proposes to refund \$791,492 to ratepayers as over-recoveries through GSEAFs for effect January 1, 2027. The Company states that this amount falls below the 2.5 percent GSEP cap. Additionally, the Company credits the final ending balances of costs related to the repair of G3SEI leaks of \$65,415 for the Colonial Gas Division. The Company proposes to transfer this credit to the GSEAFs effective January 1, 2027. Therefore, the Company proposes to set the GSERAFs for the Colonial Gas Division at zero for effect November 1, 2026.

National Grid states that approval of the GSERAFs for Boston Gas Division will result in an average monthly bill decrease of \$0.25 or 0.1 percent for the average residential heating customer using 106 therms per month during winter months, and an average monthly bill decrease of \$0.05 or 0.1 percent for the average residential heating customer using 22 therms per month during summer months. National Grid states that approval of the GSERAFs for the Colonial Gas Division will result in an average monthly bill decrease of \$0.61 or 0.2 percent for the average residential heating customer using 106 therms per month during winter months, and an average monthly bill decrease of \$0.07 or 0.1 percent for the average residential heating customer using 22 therms during the summer months.

Any person interested in commenting on this matter may submit written comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Monday, June 22, 2026**. Written comments from the public may be sent by email to [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov), [elyssa.klein@mass.gov](mailto:elyssa.klein@mass.gov), and the Company's attorneys, Patrick Houghton, Esq., at [patrick.houghton@nationalgrid.com](mailto:patrick.houghton@nationalgrid.com), Jessica Buno Ralston, Esq., at [jralston@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:jralston@keeganwerlin.com), and Sarah Pardee, Esq., at [spardee@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:spardee@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 Peter A. 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 the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, June 3, 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.

On May 4, 2026, the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("Attorney General") filed a notice to intervene in this matter pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E. Further, pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E(b), the Attorney General filed a notice of intent to retain experts and consultants to assist her investigation of the Company's filing and has requested Department approval to spend up to \$150,000 in this regard. Pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E(b), the costs incurred by the Attorney General relative to her retention of experts and consultants may be recovered in the Company's rates. Any person who desires to comment on the Attorney General's notice of intent to retain experts and consultants may

submit written comments to the Department not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, June 3, 2026**.

All documents should be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by email attachment to [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov) and [elyssa.klein@mass.gov](mailto:elyssa.klein@mass.gov). The text of the email must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 26-GREC-03); (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 "26-GREC-03") 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, Patrick Houghton, at [patrick.houghton@nationalgrid.com](mailto:patrick.houghton@nationalgrid.com) and Jessica Buno Ralston, Esq., at [jralston@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:jralston@keeganwerlin.com), Sarah Pardee, Esq., [spardee@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:spardee@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 for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), contact the Department's ADA coordinator at [eadiversity@mass.gov](mailto: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 Elyssa Klein, Department of Public Utilities, at [elyssa.klein@mass.gov](mailto:elyssa.klein@mass.gov).

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