

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 25-05

January 31, 2025

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, to the Department of Public Utilities for approval of its annual reconciliation filing for recovery of costs through its Solar Cost Adjustment Provision Tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1575.

On January 15, 2025, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid" or "Company"), filed with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") the Company's annual reconciliation filing for costs and solar-related market credits associated with the Company's solar generation facilities. National Grid constructed these facilities pursuant to the Department's approvals in <u>Massachusetts Electric</u> <u>Company and Nantucket Electric Company</u>, D.P.U. 16-104 (2016); <u>Massachusetts Electric</u> <u>Company and Nantucket Electric Company</u>, D.P.U. 15-134 (2016); <u>Massachusetts Electric</u> <u>Company and Nantucket Electric Company</u>, D.P.U. 14-01 (2014); and <u>Massachusetts Electric</u> <u>Company and Nantucket Electric Company</u>, D.P.U. 09-38 (2009). The filing also includes the revenue requirement for the nine-month period of January through September 2024 of twelve solar generation facilities for which recovery was transferred into the Company and Nantucket <u>Electric Company</u>, N2024, in <u>Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company</u>, N2024, in <u>Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company</u>, D.P.U. No. 1575. The Department has docketed this matter as D.P.U. 25-05.

Pursuant to the Department's approvals in D.P.U. 23-150 and National Grid's prior base distribution rate proceedings, the costs for 28 Company-owned solar generation facilities are now recovered through the Company's base distribution rates. Additionally, effective October 1, 2024, the actual solar-related market credits for all 28 facilities, plus one additional facility, will be credited to customers through the Company's solar cost adjustment factors ("SCAFs"), which are updated annually effective March 1.

The current filing: (1) includes the reconciliation of calendar year ("CY") 2024 and last quarter CY 2023 capital and operations and maintenance costs incurred for 13 facilities, including the twelve facilities shifted into base distribution rates effective October 1, 2024; (2) includes the revenue requirement for those twelve facilities through September 30, 2024; and (3) returns to customers the actual revenues received by the Company from solar-related market credits (i.e., sale of energy, forward capacity market credits, and the sale of renewable energy

certificates) generated by all of the Company-owned solar generation facilities through September 30, 2024. As a result, National Grid requests recovery of \$1,504,141 from customers through the following proposed SCAFs for effect March 1, 2025:

Rate Class	\$ per kilowatt-hour
R-1/R-2	\$0.00011
G-1	\$0.00009
G-2	\$0.00006
G-3	\$0.00004
S	\$0.00008

If the Company's request is approved as proposed, the Company states that a typical residential basic service customer using 600 kilowatt-hours of electricity per month would experience a monthly bill decrease of \$0.24, or 0.1 percent. Bill impacts for commercial and industrial customers will vary. These customers should contact the Company for specific bill information.

The Department will accept written comments on the Company's filing until close of business (5:00 p.m.) on <u>Thursday, February 20, 2025</u>. Any person who otherwise desires to participate 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 <u>Thursday, February 20, 2025</u>. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 CMR 1.03. Receipt by the Department, not mailing, 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 documents should be submitted to the Department in .pdf format by e-mail attachment to dpu.efiling@mass.gov and kerri.phillips@mass.gov. In addition, one copy of all filings should be emailed to the Company's attorney, Bonnie C. Raffetto, Esq., at bonnie.raffetto@nationalgrid.com. The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 25-05); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic file name should identify the document but should not exceed 50 characters in length. Importantly, all large files submitted must be broken down into electronic files that do not exceed 20 MB. 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. If a member of the public is unable to send written comments by e-mail, a paper copy may be sent to Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 3rd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. Please note that in the interest of transparency any comments will be posted to our website noted above as received and without redacting personal information, such as addresses, telephone numbers, or e-mail addresses. As such, consider the extent of information you wish to share when submitting comments. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website through our online File Room as soon as practicable (enter "25-05") at: https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber.

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