



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 16-26

March 11, 2016

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, for Approval of its 2016 Energy Efficiency Reconciling Factors, for effect May 1, 2016.

On March 1, 2016, Massachusetts Electric Company (“MECo”) and Nantucket Electric Company (“Nantucket Electric”), 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 2016 energy efficiency reconciling factors (“EERFs”), effective May 1, 2016. The Company also proposed a revised Energy Efficiency Surcharge (“EES”) tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1263, effective May 1, 2016. The Department docketed the Company’s petition as D.P.U. 16-26.

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) 1.534 cents per kilowatt-hour (“kWh”) for the residential rate class; (2) 0.181 cents per kWh for the low-income rate class; and (3) 0.625 cents per kWh for the commercial and industrial (“C&I”) rate class.

If the Department approves the 2016 EERFs as proposed, a National Grid residential customer (R-1) using 600 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.96, or approximately 0.7 percent, and a low-income (R-2) customer using 600 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.34, or approximately 0.4 percent. C&I customers will experience decreases to monthly bills in the range of 0.2 percent to 0.9 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, April 1, 2016**. 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, Esq. 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, MA 02451.

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. 16-26; (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: <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

National Grid's filing is available for public inspection during regular business hours at National Grid's offices, 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, Massachusetts 02451; and at the Department's offices, One South Station – 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. The filing is also available on the Department's website, <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>, by accessing the File Room link. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Caroline Conti, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at 617-305-3500.