

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

Pursuant to the provisions of the Rhode Island Open Meetings Act, R.I.G.L. 42-46-6 (b), the public is hereby notified that the Public Utilities Commission (Commission or PUC) will be holding a series of open meetings **in Hearing Room A, 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, Rhode Island** for purpose of discussing, deliberating and/or voting on the following dockets. Because this is not a hearing, the PUC will not be accepting oral public comments. The Open Meeting will be streamed live at <https://video.ibm.com/channel/WqQyXw296dg> and recorded.

The Open Meetings will be held on the following days and start times:

August 12, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

August 13, 2026, 1:00 p.m.

August 18, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

August 19, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

August 20, 2026, 10:00 a.m.

- I.** Call to Order
- II.** **Docket No. 25-45-GE and Docket No. 25-33-GE – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (Company)** – These matters relate to the Company’s pending base distribution rate case. On November 26, 2025, Rhode Island Energy filed a request to increase electric and gas base distribution rates under a proposed two-year rate plan. The request was modified in two additional filings on April 16, 2026, and May 11, 2026. Further modifications were made following the hearings, as filed on July 31, 2026. As modified, in the first rate year, the Company is requesting an increase of \$77.3 million for electric distribution service and approximately \$130.3 million for gas distribution service. For the second year of the proposed plan, the Company is seeking increases of approximately \$9.4 million for electric distribution service and approximately \$13.88 million for gas distribution service.

In addition to seeking an increase in distribution rates, the Company also is proposing to accelerate credits to customers relating to PPL Rhode Island’s acquisition of the Company that took effect in May of 2022. The credits have been referred to as “Hold Harmless Credits” because they are intended to hold customers harmless from certain tax impacts caused by the acquisition. Under that proposal, the Company proposes to provide credits to customers which, based on its proposed rate structure, total approximately 89.6 million for electric distribution customers, and approximately \$89.6 million for gas distribution customers.

The Commission conducted a hearing for the public to provide comments on June 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. The Commission also held seventeen days of evidentiary hearings between June 1, 2026 and July 18, 2026.

At these open meetings, the Commission will discuss various issues in dispute or those identified by the Commission for consideration. While the primary purpose of the open meetings is discussion, the Commission may take votes on the issues discussed.

- III. Docket No. 25-19-EL – The Narragansett Electric Company d/b/a Rhode Island Energy (Company)** – This matter relates to the Company’s Green Button Connect (GBC) plan filed on May 12, 2025. On May 13, 2026, the Commission held an evidentiary hearing on the subject of whether the Company should be authorized or required to move forward with the plan as described in the filing, and if not, whether the Company’s Advanced Metering Functionality (AMF) cost recovery cap should be reduced accordingly. The Commission also accepted post-hearing comments from the parties. The Commission expects to take this matter up at the Open Meeting on August 12, 2026 for discussion and votes may be taken.

- IV. Adjourn**

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August 6, 2026