

July 1, 2020

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Nicholas S. Ucci, Commissioner Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources 1 Capitol Hill Providence, RI 02908

RE: Notice to Combine 2021-2023 Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan & 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan

Dear Commissioner Ucci:

We write to you in your role as Executive Director of the Energy Efficiency and Resource Management Council (EERMC). In accordance with Section 3.3(B)(v)(b) of the most recent version of the Least Cost Procurement Standards (Draft LCP Standards)<sup>1</sup>, this letter serves as notice to the EERMC that the Company intends to combine the 2021-2023 Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan (Three-Year Plan) and the 2021 Annual Energy Efficiency Plan (Annual Plan and together, the Plans), and file the Plans jointly with the PUC by October 15, 2020.

The Company's decision to combine the Plans was made in consultation with your office and with the Consulting Team and we look forward to working collaboratively on the Plans. As the Company discussed with your office and the Consulting Team prior to the issuance of this letter, the Company's intent to file combined Plans is based on two assumptions. One, that the final version of the LCP Standards sets forth the same due date for filing the combined Plans as is currently set forth in the Draft LCP Standards and, two, the Company and the EERMC are able to work out an updated schedule as explained below.

The EERMC is currently scheduled to vote on the Annual Plan on October 22, 2020. In order to allow time for review and a vote before the submission of the Plans to the PUC on October 15<sup>th</sup>, the Plans would need to be submitted to the EERMC on October 1, 2020 and a vote scheduled for October 8, 2020. The Company respectfully requests that the EERMC change the date of the currently scheduled October 22, 2020 meeting to October 8, 2020 in order to allow for a submission to the PUC the subsequent week. The Company will send your team a proposed revised schedule, updated from the one presented by the Consulting Team at the December 19, 2019 EERMC meeting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As put forward by the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) through Docket 5015.

Nicholas Ucci, Commissioner

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Please be advised that if the final LCP Standards set forth an earlier due date than October 15, 2020 for filing the combined Plans, or if the EERMC is unable to shift its meeting dates to accommodate the filing of the combined Plans, then the Company may rescind this notice and file the Three Year Plan and the Annual Plan separately.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 401-784-4263.

Sincerely,

Andrew S. Marcaccio

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cc: Becca Trietch, Administrator Marisa Desautel, Esq.