

## EERMC FULL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Thursday, March 18, 2021 | 3:30 - 5:30 PM

In light of the unprecedented health crisis around us, the EERMC is heeding the advice of the Governor and public health officials by moving this month's meeting to telephone/online.

All members of the public are welcome to join utilizing the information below and opportunities for public comment will be made available as normal course.

Thank you for your patience and understanding. We wish you good health during these trying times.

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
- 3. Executive Director Report
- 4. Acting Chairperson Report (items 1-4: 10 mins, 3:30 3:40pm)
- 5. Council Business (25 min, 3:40 4:05 pm)
  - a) Discussion & Possible Vote on 2022 Council Energy Efficiency (EE) and System Reliability Procurement (SRP) Priorities (20 min, 3:40 4:00pm)
    - The Council will discuss and possibly vote to formally adopt priorities for energy efficiency and/or system reliability procurement. These priorities will be presented to National Grid at the appropriate March or April Technical Working Group meetings.
  - b) Review & Discussion of the Council's Draft Report to the General Assembly (5 min, 4:00 4:05pm)

The Council will review the first draft of the Council's Annual Report to the General Assembly. Feedback from Council members can be provided during this agenda item or via email to the Consultant Team in advance of April's council meeting.

- 6. Program Oversight (50 min, 4:05 5:00 pm)
  - a) Update on COVID-19 (2-5 min, 4:05 4:10pm)

National Grid will provide any necessary updates on COVID-19 and its impact on the Energy Efficiency Programs. Any changes to the Company's efforts to mitigate negative effects will also be summarized, as appropriate.

b) Discussion on Comments to the Public Utilities Commission on the Energy Efficiency Performance Incentive Mechanism (PIM) (10 min, 4:10 – 4:20pm)

The Council's Consultant Team will present recommended comments on the energy efficiency performance incentive mechanism to submit to the Public Utilities Commission. The Council will review and discuss.

c) Public Comment on the Energy Efficiency Performance Incentive Mechanism (10 min, 4:20 – 4:30pm)

Limit of three (3) minutes per person/affiliation.

d) Further Discussion & Vote on Comments to the Public Utilities Commission on the Energy Efficiency Performance Incentive Mechanism (15 min, 4:30 – 4:45pm)

The Council will discuss and vote on comments on the energy efficiency performance incentive mechanism to submit to the Public Utilities Commission.

e) Presentation on Findings from a Study on National Grid's Energy Efficiency Evaluation, Measurement & Verification (EM&V) Processes (15 min, 4:45 – 5:00pm)

Brightline – a firm hired by the Office of Energy Resources to complete this study – will present on the findings of their energy efficiency EM&V study. Time for discussion and questions will be provided at the end of the presentation.

f) Consultant Team & National Grid Joint Presentation on 2021 Evaluation, Measurement & Verification (EM&V) Studies & Process for 2021 (10 min, 5:00 – 5:10pm)

The Council's Consultant Team and National Grid will summarize important studies expected to be completed in 2021 and how those studies are used in the energy efficiency planning process.

## 7. Special Topic (20 min, 5:10 - 5:30 pm)

a) Presentation on Rhode Island's 100% Renewable Electricity Initiative (20 min, 5:10 – 5:30pm)

The Office of Energy Resources will present the findings of their recent 100% Renewable Electricity Initiative. Recommended actions from the analysis and public engagement efforts will also be summarized.

## 8. Public Comments

## 9. Adjournment