

Dear Council Members,

Please find attached the first draft of the Annual Energy Efficiency Plan for 2019. There are many pieces to this draft and a list of the attachments is included below. This draft of the Plan has been developed to save energy in line with the Three-Year Plan (3YP), offer even more value to customers, and invest in the future with new initiatives and measures. **Written comments are due on Thursday, August 30th.** We will present on the first draft highlights at the Council meeting on Thursday, August 23rd and look forward to your feedback.

If you have any questions at any time, please feel free to call Rachel at 781-907-1555 or Courtney at 781-907-1876.

Below are key highlights for the first draft of the Energy Efficiency Plan:

- The first draft expands on the 3YP by providing programmatic descriptions for enhanced customer offerings, new initiatives and demonstrations, many of which were highlighted as areas of interest by Council members.
 - Residential examples include an expanded focus on strategic electrification, parity of incentives for delivered fuels weatherization, a more comprehensive community engagement initiative, new techniques to provide services for renters and moderate income customers, and the creation of online scheduling for single family assessments.
 - C&I examples include refinements and new offerings such as updates to the Small Business/direct install program, expansion of the industrial initiative, a new restaurant initiative, the RI Digital Application Portal, and a cold climate heat pump pilot for Small Business delivered fuel customers.
- Changes from 3YP:
 - The annual electric savings goal meets 2.56% of the 2.60% target set for 2019 in the 3YP. This is a great position to be in, given the uncertainty of achieving the additional 25,000 MWh of savings presented in the 3YP.
 - As always, this draft incorporates the latest information, evaluation results, and market information on forecasts and revenues and that updates the customer charge. There will be an update to the electric sales forecast for the final draft that may further impact the customer charge.
- The first draft has been developed to deliver on the Company, Collaborative, and Council's vision for the future, including energy savings, benefits and enhanced or new customer services. The first draft includes budget proposals necessary to deliver these objectives. The first draft budget proposes an electric customer charge that is higher than 2018, while the gas customer charge is lower than 2018. The electric and gas program budgets are higher than 2018 due to the increases in services such as a large increase in projected lightbulb sales and more mechanical system offerings in the gas programs.

Email Attachments

- Main text
- Attachment 1 is residential program descriptions

- Attachment 2 is commercial program descriptions
- Attachment 3 is evaluation descriptions
- Attachment 4 is the RI Test description
- Attachment 5 are the electric tables including budgets and savings targets (Items in yellow will be updated for final draft)
- Attachment 6 are the gas tables including budgets and savings targets
- Attachment 7 is Bill Impacts Analysis (Included in final draft.
- Attachment 8 is Pilots
- Attachment 9: National Grid Customer Listening Forum Report (Included in final draft)