



2025 EE Plan Docket Updates

Consultant Team Presentation

Date: December 19, 2024

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- ✓ **10/1:** 2025 Annual Plan filed with the PUC
- ✓ **10/21:** Council Cost-Effectiveness Report filed
- ✓ **10/25:** Deadline for parties to file motion to intervene
- ✓ **10/30:** Objections to motions to intervene
- ✓ **10/31:** Council Testimony regarding budget
- ✓ **11/15:** Intervenor/Division Pre-Filed Testimony/Comments

Regulatory Schedule (con't)

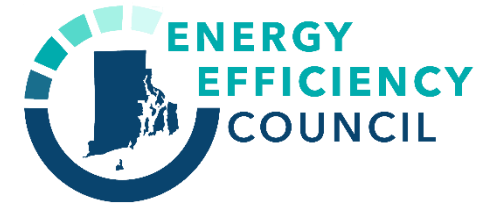


- Ongoing: Data Requests
- 11/22: RI Energy Reply Testimony/Comments
- 12/10: PUC Hearings
- 12/11: PUC Hearings, continued
- 12/12: PUC Hearings, continued
- 12/15: Council deadline for providing estimate of remaining 2024 expenses
- 12/19: PUC Open Meeting



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PUC and Division issued 147 questions to Rhode Island Energy and Office of Energy Resources

- Coordination with Other Initiatives (Clean Heat RI, IRA funded programs, etc)
- Cost of Energy Efficiency/Cost of Supply
- GHG Reductions Accounting
- Delivered Fuels
- Rate and Bill Impacts
- Non-Energy Impacts
- Pre-Weatherization Barriers
- Miscellaneous Program Proposals

Council Data Requests



Council issued 9 questions to the Company, Division, and OER to inform pre-file testimony

- Economic Impacts in RI Test BCR
- Equity Based Performance Incentive Mechanism (PIM) Roadmap
- Rate and Bill Impacts
- Heating System Replacements

Council received 10 questions from PUC

- Equity PIM Roadmap and Equity Working Group
- Impact of funding delivered fuels weatherization through electric programs
- Rate and Bill impact testimony follow-ups
- Council's 2024 RFPs & Consultant Services subcontractors



Regulatory Hearings

Themes of Division Cross-Examination



The Division posed questions to the Company on several topics:

- Timing and coordination of audits, weatherization, and heat pumps
- Emissions accounting
- Program marketing
- Moving allocation of gas energy audits from electric to gas portfolio
- Criteria for large (\$3M+ incentive) projects
- Assumptions for subsidizing income eligible programs

Themes of Commission Cross-Examination



The Commission also engaged in many of the Division's areas of cross-examination

The Commission identified several other areas of interest for its cross-examination of the Company:

- Measure-specific questions
- Cost of EE vs. Cost of Supply
- Non-Energy Impacts
- Equity metrics

Council Cross-Examination



Consultant Team and Councilor Teichert responded to cross-examination from both the Commission and the Division

Key Themes:

- Equity Working Group and roadmap for equity-based PIM
- Ratepayer impacts
- EE contribution to Act on Climate Mandates
- Council website
- Council budget presentation
- EE & Climate Awareness Campaign

Commission was pleased to have a member of the Council testify!



Next Steps



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Commission held an Open Meeting today (12/19) to discuss its findings from the hearings

- Rulings on 2025 Annual Plan - budgets, savings goals, performance incentives, and System Benefit Charge (SBC)
- Rulings that inform how future Plans are developed and considered
- Commentary (i.e. not rulings) that signal expectations for the future

C-Team will develop and deliver a memo to the Council after the Docket concludes

- More detail and specifics than what is covered in this presentation
- Highlight recommendations and actions for future consideration by the Council

Council Discussion

