

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

**NOTICE OF FILING, PUBLIC HEARING, AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

**D.P.U. 25-189**

**January 16, 2026**

Petition of Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, for Approval of its Phase IV Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Program.

On December 30, 2025, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid (together, “Company” or “National Grid”), filed a petition with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) for approval of its Phase IV electric vehicle (“EV”) charging infrastructure program (“Phase IV EV program”) proposal for 2027 through 2030. The Department docketed this petition as D.P.U. 25-189.

In 2022, the Department approved National Grid’s \$206 million Phase III EV charging infrastructure program (“Phase III EV program”) for the 2023–2026 period. Electric Vehicles, D.P.U. 21-90/D.P.U. 21-91/D.P.U. 21-92, at 168-169, 271 (2022). In 2025, the Department approved mid-term modifications to the Company’s Phase III EV program, including modifications to its off-peak charging rebate program to extend the program through 2026, extend the off-peak period (i.e., 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.) to include weekends and holidays, and remove participation caps for residential and fleet customers for the remainder of the Phase III EV program term. Electric Vehicle Program Mid-Term Modifications, D.P.U. 24-195/D.P.U. 24-196/D.P.U. 24-197, at 92-94 (October 17, 2025). National Grid’s Phase III EV program will conclude on December 31, 2026.

In this proceeding, the Company proposes a four-year Phase IV EV program covering the 2027–2030 period, with total costs of \$193.7 million. The proposed Phase IV EV program consists of: (1) a commercial segment offering (\$101.9 million); (2) a residential segment offering (\$42.3 million); (3) a managed charging offering (\$23.6 million); and (4) other supporting program resources (\$25.8 million). These supporting program resources consist of: (1) company staffing (\$6.3 million); (2) IT and back-office systems, including costs associated with its Clean Energy 2.0 platform, the Company’s online application portal for its EV program (\$1.4 million); (3) program evaluation (\$3 million); and (4) vendor costs (\$15.1 million).

The Company proposes to recover its Phase IV EV program costs through its approved EV program tariff, including infrastructure costs, EV supply equipment (“EVSE”) costs, operations and maintenance costs, internal labor costs, and service provider contractor costs. National Grid also proposes revisions to its EV program tariff, M.D.P.U. No. 1623 (proposed), to: (1) expand the tariff’s applicability to the Phase IV EV program; (2) describe the individual components of the Phase IV EV program; (3) revise the formula used to calculate the Company’s annual EV program factors to (i) include Phase IV EV program costs; and (ii) apply net proceeds from the sale of Clean Peak Energy Certificates generated through customer participation in the managed charging program offerings as a credit to offset EV program costs; and (4) make other minor revisions. In addition, the Company proposes five new implementation metrics, retention of seven existing implementation metrics, ten performance metrics, and one equity metric, as well as revisions to five existing implementation metrics and two equity metrics.

The Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on the Company’s petition on **Wednesday, February 11, 2026, beginning at 2:00 p.m.** The public hearing will be conducted jointly with the EV-related petitions filed by NSTAR Electric Company docketed as D.P.U. 25-180 and D.P.U. 25-188 and Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company docketed as D.P.U. 25-182.

The public hearing will be virtual and use Zoom videoconferencing. Attendees can join the public hearing by entering the link, <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83625314675>, from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required. For audio-only access to the public hearing, attendees can dial in at **(646) 931-3860 (not toll free)** and then enter the **Meeting ID# 836 2531 4675**. If you anticipate providing comments via Zoom during the public hearing, please send an email to [scott.seigal@mass.gov](mailto:scott.seigal@mass.gov) by **Monday, February 9, 2026** with your name, email address, and mailing address.

Any person interested in commenting on this matter may submit written comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Wednesday, February 18, 2026**. Written comments from the public may be sent by email to [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov), [Scott.Seigal@mass.gov](mailto:Scott.Seigal@mass.gov), and the Company’s attorneys, John Habib, Esq., at [jhabib@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:jhabib@keeganwerlin.com), Michael Hershberg, Esq., at [mhershberg@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:mhershberg@keeganwerlin.com), and Bonnie Raffetto, Esq., at [Bonnie.Raffetto@nationalgrid.com](mailto:Bonnie.Raffetto@nationalgrid.com). Please note that, in the interest of transparency, any comments will be posted to our website as received and without redacting personal information, such as addresses, telephone numbers, or email addresses. As such, consider the extent of information you wish to share when submitting comments. The Department strongly encourages public comments to be submitted by email. If, however, a member of the public is unable to send written comments by email, a paper copy may be sent to Peter A. Ray, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts, 02110.

Any person who desires to participate otherwise in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding shall file a petition for leave to intervene no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Monday, February 9, 2026**. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 CMR 1.03. Receipt by the Department constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 CMR 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 CMR 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10. All responses to petitions to intervene must be filed by the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on the second business day after the petition to intervene was filed.

The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (“Attorney General”) filed a notice to intervene in this matter pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E. Further, pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E(b), the Attorney General filed a notice of intent to retain experts and consultants to assist her investigation of the Company’s filing and has requested Department approval to spend up to \$150,000 in this regard. Pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E(b), the costs incurred by the Attorney General relative to her retention of experts and consultants may be recovered in the Company’s rates. Any person who desires to comment on the Attorney General’s notice of intent to retain experts and consultants may submit written comments to the Department no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Monday, February 9, 2026**.

All documents should be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by e-mail attachment to [dpu.efiling@mass.gov](mailto:dpu.efiling@mass.gov) and [Scott.Seigal@mass.gov](mailto:Scott.Seigal@mass.gov). The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 25-189); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department’s website through our online File Room as soon as practicable (enter “25-189” on the line for “Docket No.”). In addition, one copy of all written comments and petitions to intervene should be emailed to the Company’s attorneys, John Habib, Esq., at [jhabib@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:jhabib@keeganwerlin.com), Michael Hershberg, Esq., at [mhershberg@keeganwerlin.com](mailto:mhershberg@keeganwerlin.com), and Bonnie Raffetto, Esq., at [Bonnie.Raffetto@nationalgrid.com](mailto:Bonnie.Raffetto@nationalgrid.com).

The filing and all subsequent related documents submitted to the Department or issued by the Department will be available on the Department’s website as referenced above as soon as is practicable. To the extent a person or entity wishes to submit comments or intervene in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed above, is sufficient. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), contact the Department’s ADA coordinator at [eadiversity@mass.gov](mailto:eadiversity@mass.gov) or (617) 626-1282.

For further information regarding the Company’s filing, please contact the Company’s attorneys, identified above. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Scott Seigal, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at [Scott.Seigal@mass.gov](mailto:Scott.Seigal@mass.gov).

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