



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

MEMORANDUM

TO: Petitioners in Joint Petition of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, and NSTAR Electric Company for Approval of Revised Model Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target Program Provision, D.P.U. 20-145

FROM: Andrew Strumfels, Hearing Officer

RE: D.P.U. 20-145, Phase I, Compliance Filing

DATE: February 2, 2022

CC: Service List
Department Secretary

On December 3, 2020, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy, Massachusetts Electric Company and Nantucket Electric Company, each d/b/a National Grid, and Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company d/b/a Unitil (collectively, the “Distribution Companies”) filed with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) a petition for approval of a revised model Solar Massachusetts Renewable Target (“SMART”) Provision. The Department docketed the matter as D.P.U. 20-145.

On December 30, 2021, the Department issued an Order on Phase I Revisions to the Model SMART Provision (“Phase I Order”). Revised Model SMART Provision, D.P.U. 20-145-B (2021). On January 24, 2022, the Distribution Companies filed with the Department a compliance filing pursuant to the Phase I Order including clean and redlined versions of the revised Model SMART Provision (“Compliance Filing”).

The Compliance Filing includes a redlined version inclusive of changes to the Model SMART Provision made pursuant to the Phase I Order but does not include in redline

previously proposed changes to the currently effective SMART Provision provided in prior versions during this proceeding. In order to facilitate its review of the Compliance Filing, the Department directs the Distribution Companies to file by Monday, **February 7, 2022**, a supplemental filing which includes a version of the proposed Model SMART Provision that is redlined to compare to the Model SMART Provision currently in effect.

Additionally, the Department will host a conference call for the Parties to this docket on **February 10, 2022 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.** The purpose of the conference call will be for Department staff to seek clarification from the Distribution Companies on potential differences between directives in the Phase I Order and proposed changes to the Model SMART Provision. Parties to this docket also will be given an opportunity to seek clarification, if they believe there are any additional differences that Department staff have not identified. The conference call will be open to all interested stakeholders to observe but only Parties may participate. You may join the conference by accessing: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88916603075pwd=ZjVoVCtVT29sMlV3L2RpbDVXcjEwdz09> from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. For audio-only access to the conference, members of the public can dial in at (646) 558-8656 (not toll free) and then enter the Meeting ID# 889 1660 3075 and Passcode: 819278.

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