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NSTAR Electric Company and New England Power  
Company d/b/a National Grid

Notice is hereby given that NSTAR Electric Company ("NSTAR Electric") and New England Power Company d/b/a National Grid ("NEP" and, together with NSTAR Electric, the "Companies") have filed with the Department of Public Utilities (the "Department") a petition for approval to upgrade an existing underground transmission line in the cities of Everett and Boston pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 72 (the "Project"), docketed as D.P.U. 11-51 (the "Section 72 Petition"). The Department will review the Project to determine whether the upgrade is necessary for the proposed purpose, will serve the public convenience, and is consistent with the public interest, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 72.

The Department will conduct a public comment hearing at **7:00 p.m. on August 25, 2011**, at the Parlin Memorial Library, 410 Broadway, Everett, MA to receive public comment and allow responses to questions about the Company's proposal.

The Companies seek authority pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 72, to upgrade the existing 0.5-mile, 115 kV underground transmission line known as the O-167/423-515 line that runs from NSTAR's #250 substation at Mystic Station ("Mystic Substation") in Boston to NEP's Riser Structure #24 located in Everett. The Project involves the installation of a new underground high pressure fluid filled ("HPFF") pipe-type cable with associated auxiliary communication conduits for a length of approximately 0.5 miles. The route of the underground portion of the Project begins at the Mystic Substation. Upon exiting the Mystic Substation property, the route for the proposed underground line crosses Alford Street (Route 99), continues north along the west side of Alford Street for approximately 1400 feet, then turns west along Horizon Way (formerly Chemical Way) for a distance of approximately 116 feet. Thereafter, the route crosses private easements in the City of Boston and Everett to its terminus at NEP's Riser Structure No. 24, across the commuter rail tracks from the Gateway Shopping Center in Everett. The Project also will include modifications to the Mystic Substation and NEP's Riser Structure No. 24 to accommodate the new line. NEP will own the portion of the Project located in Everett and NSTAR Electric will own the portion of the Project located in Boston.

The general location, layout, dimensions and configuration of the proposed Project are shown on maps and plans included in the Companies' Section 72 Petition. Electronic copies of the Companies' Section 72 Petition are available on the DPU Website, [www.mass.gov/dpu](http://www.mass.gov/dpu) and in hard-copy format for public inspection at the following locations:

- Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, Boston, MA 02110
- Boston City Clerk, Boston City Hall, One City Hall Square, Boston, MA 02201
- Boston Public Library, 700 Boylston Street, Copley Square, Boston, MA 02116
- Charlestown Branch Library, 179 Main Street, Charlestown, MA 02129
- Everett City Clerk, Everett City Hall, 484 Broadway, Everett, MA 02149

- Parlin Memorial Library, 410 Broadway, Everett, MA 02149

Any person who desires to submit written comments on the Companies' Section 72 Petition may do so by filing an original and three (3) copies of such comments no later than the close of business (**5:00 p.m.**) on **September 8, 2011**, with Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02110.

Any person who desires to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file a petition to intervene or to participate in the proceeding with: Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, MA 02110 no later than the close of business (**5:00 p.m.**) on **September 8, 2011**. A petition to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03(1). Receipt by the Department – not mailing or postmark – 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 pursuant to 220 CMR § 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition filed pursuant to 220 CMR 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10.

A copy of any **comments** or **petitions** to participate or intervene must be filed with NSTAR Electric's Counsel, David S. Rosenzweig, Esq., Keegan Werlin LLP, 265 Franklin Street, Boston, MA 02110 and NEP's Counsel, Bess Gorman, Esq., National Grid, 40 Sylvan Road, Waltham, MA 02451.

A petition to intervene also should be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to [dpu.efiling@state.ma.us](mailto:dpu.efiling@state.ma.us) and Presiding Officer at [Robert.J.Shea@state.ma.us](mailto:Robert.J.Shea@state.ma.us); or (2) CD-ROM. The text of the email or the CD-ROM label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 11-51); (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be written in Microsoft Word. Data or spread sheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. The Department strongly encourages filers to avoid submitting scanned files but will accept them for posting when an alternative version does not exist in electronic format. In addition, if the Petitioner, applicant or any other participant has already filed a document relevant to this proceeding, such as the initial petition, without providing an electronic copy of that document, such entity is directed to do so in compliance with the above electronic filing requirements as soon as possible. All written pleadings or comments submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website, <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

Any person desiring further information regarding this Notice, including information regarding intervention or participating in the adjudicatory proceeding, may contact the Hearing Officer at the address or telephone number below:

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