

**Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission, Division of Public
Utilities and Carriers, and Office of Energy Resources**

Power Sector Transformation

**Notice of Inquiry and Request for Responses to Stakeholder Comments Regarding a Utility's
Role in Deploying Beneficial Electrification with Focus on Plug-in Electric Vehicles**

July 31, 2017

Following the Beneficial Electrification Technical Session held on May 31, 2017¹, which focused on Plug-In Electric Vehicles (PEVs), stakeholders were invited to submit comments in response to the discussion and provide input on a series of questions regarding beneficial electrification in a Notice of Inquiry released on June 14, 2017.² The following nine entities provided written comments in response to the Notice of Inquiry:

- Acadia Center Sierra Club
- ChargePoint
- Greenlots
- National Grid
- Northeast Clean Energy Council (NECEC)
- Newport Solar
- Northeast Energy Efficiency Partnerships
- People's Power and Light
- Sierra Club

These comments have provided valuable input to the Power Sector Transformation work on beneficial electrification. Over the next month, the Power Sector Transformation team will continue to develop a work product focused on important issues and recommendations for electric vehicles. To support this work, and further workshops regarding electric vehicles and heating later in the summer, we invite stakeholders to submit written reply comments to the nine entities' responses.³ While replies to all topics addressed in the comments are welcome, we have specific interest in further thoughts regarding the role of the utility in the adoption of electric vehicles and the goals of an electric vehicle program.

Written submissions will be made available to the public on the PUC/DPUC website at www.ripuc.org/utilityinfo/electric/BE.html. **Reply comments should be submitted on or before Friday, August 11, 2017 by email to DPUC.powertransformation@dpuc.ri.gov.**

¹ A recording of the Technical Session can be viewed at www.ustream.tv/channel/WqQyXw296dg.

² The June 14, 2017 Notice of Inquiry can be accessed at www.ripuc.org/utilityinfo/electric/PST_BE_NOI_6_14.pdf.

³ The responses can be found at www.ripuc.org/utilityinfo/electric/BE.html.