

To: Portsmouth Town Council

From: Linda Ujifusa

Re: Draft Letter to National Grid re: Aquidneck Island Long-Term Gas Capacity Study

Date: November 17, 2020

Please find below a draft letter to National Grid conveying the Town Council's comments concerning the Aquidneck Island Long-Term Gas Capacity Study by National Grid. I have structured it so that the first part sets forth what the Town Council seemed to agree about at its last meeting and the second part sets forth a structure that allows individual town council members to present differing opinions on options. The blanks can be filled at the November 23rd meeting and reference information presented.

DRAFT LETTER

National Grid

November 23, 2020

Re: Aquidneck Island Long-Term Gas Capacity Study prepared by National Grid

The Portsmouth Town Council submits the following comments about the Aquidneck Island Long-Term Gas Capacity Study prepared by National Grid (NGrid). The Council appreciates NGrid's efforts to present options and solicit public comments.

Having heard information from NGrid, non-profit organizations, and community members about the Company-owned site on Old Mill Lane in Portsmouth, RI, the Town Council unanimously:

1. agrees that the portable LNG operation set up in the 2019/2020 winter season at Old Mill Lane is not an appropriate location for this sort of operation and requests NGrid to discontinue its use as soon as possible;
2. agrees and requests that NGrid, in choosing options:
 - a. prioritize the short-term and long-term safety of our community;
 - b. assess and weigh all the short-term and long-term costs and benefits to our community; and
 - c. ensure that costs and benefits are fairly distributed among all our community members.

The Town Council further informs NGrid that

3. _____ Council members, (insert names), request that NGrid pursue Option _____ because _____.
4. _____ Council members, (insert names), request that NGrid pursue Option _____ because _____.
5. _____ Council members, (insert names), request that NGrid pursue Option _____ because _____.

Thank you.

