The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 26-GSEP-03 November 24, 2026

Petition of Boston Gas Company d/b/a National Grid for Approval of its 2027 Gas System Enhancement Plan, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 145, for rates effective May 1, 2027.

On October 30, 2026, Boston Gas Company d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid" or "Company") submitted to the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") its 2027 gas system enhancement plan ("GSEP") to address aging natural gas pipeline infrastructure. The Department has docketed this matter as D.P.U. 26-GSEP-03.

National Grid states that its estimated 2027 revenue requirement is $310,073,423 for the Boston Gas Division and $19,069,045 for the former Colonial Gas Company ("Colonial Gas Division"), which represents the cumulative cost to replace eligible leak-prone infrastructure through the end of calendar year 2027. The Company states that the proposed revenue requirement for the Boston Gas Division exceeds the 2.0 percent cap by $39,918,531 and therefore proposes to defer this amount for future recovery. The Company states that the proposed revenue requirement for the Colonial Gas Division does not exceed the 2.0 percent cap. The Company seeks to recover an additional $1,010,550 for the Boston Gas Division and $25,739 for the Colonial Gas Division for the repair of Grade 3 Gas Leaks with Significant Environmental Impact. Therefore, the Company proposes to collect $271,165,442 for the Boston Gas Division and $19,094,783 for the Colonial Gas Division through the gas system enhancement adjustment factors ("GSEAFs"). In its filing, the Company proposes a long-term non-gas pipe alternatives ("NPA") opportunity program to identify cost-effective alternatives to traditional gas main replacement projects. Further, the Company is proposing to revise its GSEP completion timeline from 2034 for the Colonial Gas Division and 2039 for the Boston Gas Division to 2050 for both divisions.

According to the Company, its proposed 2027 GSEP is consistent with the requirements of G.L. c. 164, § 145, which allows gas distribution companies to accelerate the replacement of eligible infrastructure to improve public safety or infrastructure reliability and to reduce or potentially reduce lost and unaccounted for natural gas. Pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 145, on May 1, 2028, the Company will submit to the Department the amount recovered through the GSEAFs for reconciliation with actual 2027 calendar year GSEP costs.

The Company states that approval of the GSEAFs will result in the average monthly bill impacts listed in the table below for typical heating residential customers based on their service area, rate

class, and usage. For typical residential non-heating customers in the Boston Gas Division and Colonial Gas Division services areas, average monthly bill impacts are an increase ranging from $0.02 to $0.82, or 0.1 percent to 1.8 percent. For commercial and industrial customers, average monthly bill impacts are an increase ranging from 0.1 percent to 7.3 percent. For customer-specific bill impacts, contact the Company's attorney(s) listed below.

Illustrative Residential Bill Impacts – Boston Gas Division			
Rate Class	**Season**	**Average Monthly Bill Increase**	
Residential Heating (R-3B)	Winter	$ 6.16	2.2 %
Residential Heating (R-3B)	Summer	$ 1.29	2.8 %
Residential Income-Eligible Heating (R-4B)	Winter	$ 2.69	2.3 %
Residential Income-Eligible Heating (R-4B)	Summer	$ 0.63	3.0 %

Illustrative Residential Bill Impacts – Colonial Gas Division			
Rate Class	**Season**	**Average Monthly Bill Increase**	
Residential Heating (R-3C)	Winter	$0.49	0.2 %
Residential Heating (R-3C)	Summer	$ 0.10	0.2 %
Residential Income-Eligible Heating (R-4C)	Winter	$ 0.22	0.2 %
Residential Income-Eligible Heating (R-4C)	Summer	$ 0.05	0.2 %

The Company proposes, for the Boston Gas Division, the following GSEAFs by rate class sector for effect May 1, 2027:

Rate Class Sector	Proposed GSEAF ($/Therm)
Residential (R-1 through R-4)	$0.3152
Small Commercial & Industrial ("C&I") (G-41/G-51)	$0.3459
Medium C&I (G-42/G-52)	$0.2491
Large C&I (G-43/G-53)	$0.2259
Extra Large C&I (G-44B/G-54B)	$0.1722

The Company proposes, for the Colonial Gas Division, the following GSEAFs by rate class sector for effect May 1, 2027:

Rate Class Sector	Proposed GSEAF ($/Therm)
Residential (R-1 through R-4)	$0.0849
Small C&I (G-41/G-51)	$0.0715
Medium C&I (G-42/G-52)	$0.0725
Large C&I (G-43/G-53)	$0.0306

Any person interested in commenting on this matter may submit written comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Monday, January 4, 2027**, using the method described below. 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 in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding shall file a petition for leave to intervene no later than 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, December 4, 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 is filed.

The Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts ("Attorney General") filed a Notice of Intervention in this matter pursuant to G.L. c. 12, § 11E(a). Further, on November 16, 2026, the Department approved a notice of intent to retain experts and consultants filed by the Attorney General. The Attorney General 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 party who desires to comment on the Attorney General's notice of intent to retain

experts and consultants may submit written comments to the Department not later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Friday, December 4, 2026**.

All documents should be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by email attachment to dpu.efiling@mass.gov and elyssa.klein@mass.gov. In addition, one copy of all documents should be emailed to the Company's attorney, Patrick Houghton, Esq., at patrick.houghton@nationalgrid.com, Jessica Buno Ralston, Esq., at jralston@keeganwerlin.com, and Sarah Pardee, Esq., at spardee@keeganwerlin.com. The text of the email must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 26-GSEP-03); (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 "26-GSEP-03" on the line for "Docket No."). Please note that in the interest of transparency, any public 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. 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.

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For further information regarding the Company's filing, please contact the Company's attorneys, identified above. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Elyssa Klein, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at elyssa.klein@mass.gov.

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