

CONCISE EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Section §42-35-2.6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, following is a concise explanatory statement:

AGENCY: Division of Public Utilities and Carriers

RULE IDENTIFIER: 815-RICR-30-00

RULE TITLE: Standards for Electric Utilities

REASON FOR RULEMAKING:

The Division has become aware the outage reporting provision in 1.6 paragraph C lists the Commission as the contact. As a matter of practice, these notifications have historically gone to the Division, as has been the case for decades. To effect the change, “Commission” is replaced with “Administrator” in that paragraph. (“Administrator” is defined in 1.2 B. There is no corresponding definition for “Commission”.) This is the only proposed change.

ANY FINDING REQUIRED BY LAW AS A PREREQUISITE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RULE:

TESTIMONY AND COMMENTS:

CHANGE TO TEXT OF THE RULE:

1.6 C – The word “Commission” is replaced with “Administrator” in two places in that paragraph.

REGULATORY ANALYSIS:

In the development of the proposed adoption, consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information. This regulation has been reviewed by the Office of Regulatory Reform.

DATE THE FINAL RULE WAS SIGNED BY THE AGENCY HEAD: