

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING

## PROPOSED 2021-B PLAN FOR THE ALLOCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF REGIONAL GREENHOUSE GAS INITIATIVE AUCTION PROCEEDS

The Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources (OER) proposes the <u>2021-B Plan for the Allocation and Distribution of Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Auction Proceeds</u> (2021-B Plan) and gives notice of intent to hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the Proposed Plan and to afford interested parties an opportunity to submit data, views, or arguments orally and/or in writing.

The proposed 2021-B Plan allocates and distributes Rhode Island's Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative Program proceeds from the first two auctions held in 2021. Copies of the proposed 2021-B Plan can be obtained at OER, at www.energy.ri.gov, or by calling (401) 574-9100 weekdays from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

The public hearing will be held on **October 5, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.** in Conference Room B, Second Floor of the Powers Building, One Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island. The place of the public hearing is accessible to individuals who have a disability. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captioners) is needed, or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please call OER (401-574-9100) at least three (3) business days prior to the hearing so arrangements can be made to provide such assistance.

OER encourages the submission of written comments. Written comments may be submitted via e-mail prior to the date of the public hearing to <a href="mailto:Sara.Canabarro@energy.ri.gov">Sara.Canabarro@energy.ri.gov</a>, or by hand-delivery during the public hearing. The public record will be kept open for ten (10) calendar days following the conclusion of the public hearing to allow additional time for the submission of written comments.

Signed this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2021,

Nicholas Ucci, Commissioner Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources