



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

### NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 16-RAAF-08

November 29, 2016

Petition of Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company for approval of its annual electric residential assistance adjustment factor reconciliation filing for effect on and after January 1, 2017.

On November 17, 2016, Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company d/b/a Unitil (“Unitil” or “Company”) filed a petition with the Department of Public Utilities (“Department”) for approval of its annual electric residential assistance adjustment factor (“RAAF”) reconciliation. The Department docketed this petition as D.P.U. 16-RAAF-08.

The Company proposes the following RAAFs, effective January 1, 2017:

Rate Classes	RAAFs (\$/kWh)
RD-1/RD-2	\$0.00547
GD-1/GD-2/GD-4/GD-5	\$0.00392
GD-3/Special Contracts	\$0.00160
Streetlighting (SD/SDC)	\$0.00446

As a result of the proposed changes to the RAAF, a typical residential (RD-1) customer using 600 kilowatt-hours (“kWh”) per month will see a monthly bill decrease of \$0.94 or 0.7 percent. Unitil states that the average bill impacts for all customers range from a decrease of 0.1 percent to a decrease of 0.8 percent depending on rate class and usage. For specific bill impacts, please contact the Company as shown below. In separate filings, the Company is proposing other changes to its rates effective January 1, 2017, which may also have an impact on customers’ bills.

Any person wishing to submit written comments on this petition should file one (1) original and two (2) copies no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **Tuesday, December 20, 2016**. The original and copies should be delivered to Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. One copy of all comments should also be sent to the Company’s counsel, Gary Epler, Esq., Unitil Service Corporation, 6 Liberty Lane West, Hampton, New Hampshire 03842-1720.

All documents should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to [dpu.efiling@state.ma.us](mailto:dpu.efiling@state.ma.us) and the hearing officer, [lauren.morris@state.ma.us](mailto:lauren.morris@state.ma.us); or (2) on CD-ROM. The e-mail or CD-ROM label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 16-RAAF-08); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website: <http://www.mass.gov/dpu>.

A copy of the Company's filing is available for public viewing at the Department's offices, One South Station, Boston, Massachusetts during business hours. Any person desiring further information regarding the Company's petition should contact the Company's counsel, Patrick Taylor, Esq. at 603-773-6544 or Gary Epler, Esq. at 603-773-6440. Any person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Lauren Morris, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities at (617) 305-3500.