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*NAED is one of only forty (40) municipal electric departments within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. We are committed to promoting the interests of "Public Power" on behalf of the citizens of this community*

### **Monthly Update of North Attleborough Electric Department's Activities**

Dear Friends,

It is a pleasure to provide this month's update relative to NAED events and activities.

#### **I. UPDATE OF ACTIVITIES OF THE BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS**

On June 8, 2017, the Board of Electric Commissioners (Brett Langille, Chairman; Steven Cabral and Dale Langille) met in open session. Among the items considered and discussed were the following:

**A. Distribution Projects (Major):** Operations Division Manager Gene Allen provided the Board with an overview of the department's major capital projects relating to the Distribution System, including the E-15 Load Shedding effort and the restoration of the former "69kV Sub Transmission Line".

**B. Terms & Conditions:** The Board agreed to have the General Manager set a date for a public hearing to consider the revision of the department's "Terms & Conditions".

**C. Construction Work Update:** System Engineer John Miller updated the Board on the Rt 1A/120 project. Following a discussion, which involved Board concerns with the aesthetics of two set of poles visible, the Board voted 3-0 to send a letter to the State conveying the Board's concern about the decision by Verizon not to vacate the current pole line (Poles 97/98/99 on East Washington Street). The letter will request the Commonwealth to ask to advise Verizon on the need to move their equipment to the new poles.

**D. LED Street Light Project & Grant:** James Moynihan, General Manager, updated the Board members relative to the proposed changing of the current Town street lights for new LEDs. The department received a grant from the Commonwealth, in excess of \$230,000 to help offset the costs of the conversion. The Board will consider the matter further at its June 29, 2017 meeting.

#### **II. NORTH ATTLEBOROUGH ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR RELIABLE ELECTRIC OPERATIONS**

Brett Langille, Chairman of the North Attleborough Electric Department (NAED), announced today that the North Attleborough Electric Department has, for the fifth (5th) consecutive time received the Reliable Public Power Provider (RP<sub>3</sub>)<sup>®</sup> designation from the American Public Power Association for providing reliable and safe electric service.

NAED previously received the designation in 2008, 2010 and 2012 and 2014. The designation in 2008, 2010 and 2012 was for two (2) years each, while the designation in 2014 was for a three (3) year period. This year Mr. Langille noted that NAED will be receiving the "RP<sub>3</sub> designation" of "Diamond". APPA's RP<sub>3</sub> designation has three classifications: "Gold", "Platinum" and "Diamond", with "Diamond" being the highest form of recognition. A "Diamond" classification is bestowed upon a public power organization which receives 98% - 100% of the possible total points. NAED's four previous awards were all "Platinum".

The RP<sub>3</sub> designation, which lasts for three years, recognizes public power utilities that demonstrate proficiency in four key disciplines: reliability, safety, workforce development and system improvement. Criteria include sound business practices and a utility-wide commitment to safe and reliable delivery of electricity. NAED joins more than 220 public power utilities, out of more than 2,000 public power organizations nationwide that hold the RP<sub>3</sub> designation.

“Utilities that have earned an RP<sub>3</sub> designation demonstrate public power’s emphasis on achieving leading practices and providing a high level of service to communities,” said Lynch. “We are proud to welcome all utilities earning this recognition for the first time and to those renewing their designations.” Mr. Langille stated, “We’re honored to be recognized as a Reliable Public Power Provider. NAED’s staff works hard to provide reliable service and receipt of the RP<sub>3</sub> recognizes our commitment to serving the community.”

The American Public Power Association has offered the RP<sub>3</sub> designation for 12 years now. The Association is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 49 million people in 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. The Association advocates and advises on electricity policy, technology, trends, training, and operations.

### **III NAED AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

NAED has programs to assist its customers in keeping their electrical bills low. NAED offers its residential customers energy audits for their residences and rebates on home improvement projects including windows, doors, insulation and central air. Along with those programs, NAED also offers rebates for the purchase of Energy Star appliances and products. Commercial and Industrial customers also benefit from a “Lighting Audit” with rebates for energy efficient lighting projects.

To find out more, please contact the coordinator of this effort, Michele Dobson, at 508-643-6310.

### **IV. RECOGNITION OF NAED'S LINE DIVISION PERSONNEL**

Our monthly update affords this office an opportunity to recognize the efforts and achievements of our department's personnel. This month I would like to take the opportunity to express the appreciation of the department for the work and commitment to our ratepayers by NAED's Line Division personnel. The Line Division is overseen by our Operations Division Manager, Gene Allen.

These employees address all customer outages, maintain and improve our distribution system and respond to emergency situations - often in very difficult circumstances and weather conditions. The employees are great ambassadors for NAED and their efforts deserve recognition. Thank you to all for your efforts and services to NAED's customers!

Our Line Division employees are:

*Robert Bukin, Distribution Foreman*  
*Gregory Horton, Assistant Distribution Foreman*  
*Christopher Maslen, Crew Leader*  
*Peter Wilmarth, Crew Leader*  
*Carl Johnson, Crew Leader*  
*Justin Hergt, Crew Leader*

*Barry Estrella, First Class Lineman*  
*Brenton Dimock, First Class Lineman*  
*Jamie Thorpe, First Class Lineman*  
*William Moreau, First Class Lineman*  
*Dylan Wyman, Second Class Lineman*

Please continue to remember our fellow citizens who are defending our country throughout the world. As always, should you have any questions at any time, please feel free to contact me at 508.643.6300.

Sincerely,

James C. Moynihan  
General Manager