Agency Structure

- Comprised of two regulatory bodies
  - The Public Utilities Commission
  - The Division of Public Utilities and Carriers
Public Utilities Commission

- Holds investigational hearings and has jurisdiction over
  - Rates, tariffs, tolls, and utility charges
- Numerous Utilities
  - Telephone, gas, electric, water
- "Utility Judges"
Division of Public Utilities & Carriers

- Hold jurisdiction
  - Common carriers, Cable TV
- Mandatory party in all utility dockets
- Defender of RI rate payers before federal regulatory agencies
  - FCC, FERC
- Enforcer of Commission’s rules and regulations
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## Summary by Category

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Staffing

- Governor recommends $5.6 million for 47.0 full-time equivalent positions for FY 2013
  - 11.0 positions for the Commission
  - 36.0 positions for the Division
- 1.0 position more than enacted and FY 2012 revised
  - Consumer Agent position for $72,316
  - Current and projected backlog in Consumer Section
Gas Pipeline Safety

- Request a total of $118,669 from federal funds
- Funds support enforcement of Dig Safe program and 1.0 full-time position
- Governor recommends funding as requested
  - FY 2011 expenditures were $65,844
Governor recommends $0.2 million from ARRA funds

- Supports 2.0 positions, legal counsel and special projects coordinator
- Train existing staff on new electricity technology
- $30,519 more than enacted
  - Reflects updated benefit rates
Governor recommends $125,000
  Consistent with enacted and request
Supports regulation of issuance of licensure to construct major energy facilities
FY 2010 expenses were $69,608
FY 2011 expenses were $0
  There were no cases in FY 2011
Public Utilities Reserve Account

- Governor recommends $1.1 million from restricted receipts for FY 2012 and FY 2013
  - Consistent with enacted and requests
  - Expenses incurred for investigations and hearings for rate cases and other filings
  - FY 2011 expenses were $422,683
  - FY 2010 expenses were $691,457
Governor recommends $5.2 million from all funds for all other salaries and benefits for FY 2013

- $0.1 million more than enacted
- $0.5 million less than requested
- Includes benefit rate changes, primarily retirement rate
  - Assumes no turnover, consistent with the enacted
Retirement Savings

- Agencies used pre-retirement rates when preparing their budgets
- Governor’s budget adjusts rates to reflect new, lower costs and reduces general revenue expenses
- Savings from other sources shifted to unidentified operating expenses
  - For the Public Utilities Commission these total $459,735
  - Budget Office adjustment / Funds not needed
Other Operating

- Governor recommends $1.8 million
  - Supports all other administrative and facility operating expenses
  - $475,001 more than enacted, or $459,735 more than requested
    - $442,701 shifted to unidentified operating expenses
    - $26,000 for a new vehicle as requested
Governor recommends a total project of $719,000 from restricted receipts

Asset Protection/Facilities Renovations
- $369,000 in FY 2013 through FY 2017
- Initially $700,000 in FY 2012 in error
- Subsequently indicated $350,000

Renovations include: windows, elevator, roof, HVAC system and railings and ramps
FY 2012 Revised & FY 2013 Budget
FY 2013 – FY 2017 Capital Budget

Staff Presentation
March 29, 2012