

February 12, 2014

Ms. Susan Hudson, Clerk
Vermont Public Service Board
112 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

Re: **EEU 2013-01** VEIC Request for Additional Time to Respond to Department's Scenario Modeling Results Comments

Dear Ms. Hudson:

On February 7, 2014, the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department") requested an extension to file follow-up comments on VEIC's Modeling Scenario Results. The Board granted the continuance and the Department filed its comments on February 10, 2014. In light of the delayed schedule of the Department's filing and the complexity of the Department's requests within its comments, VEIC requests a filing extension until February 21, 2014.

In its February 10, 2014 filing, the Department recommends that the Board order VEIC to perform three additional actions related to its Scenario Modeling Analysis:

- 1) That VEIC re-run the DRP model with different assumptions including no savings or costs attributed to behavioral measures¹ in the resource acquisition estimated budgets and savings for three and twenty years.
- 2) That VEIC include behavioral costs such as innovative education and marketing in VEIC's non-incentive costs for resource acquisition and include costs supporting internal research, development, pilots, and evaluation in the non-resource acquisition budget.
- 3) That VEIC provide more information regarding VEIC's heat pump penetration assumptions and potential impacts of changes in penetration on VEIC's modeling results.

¹ Behavioral measures are also referred to as "non-hard-wired" initiatives or "conservation" measures.

VEIC requests the additional time to respond to the Department's comments and to include in our response proposed DRP schedule adjustments and estimated financial impacts resulting from re-running the three DRP scenarios with these modified assumptions. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael J. Wickenden". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Michael" and last name "Wickenden" clearly legible.

Michael Wickenden

Director of Regulatory Affairs

cc: 2013-01 Service List (electronic service only)

