

**STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Case No. 17-4999-INV

Investigation into PUC Rule 3.300, Disconnection of Residential Electric, Gas, and Water Service	
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC MOTION TO ALTER SCHEDULE

On November 6, 2019, the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) issued an order granting the Department of Public Service’s (“Department”) request to expand the scope of this proceeding. The Department has been developing a draft comprehensive rule to file for consideration in this case. The draft comprehensive rule will merge most aspects of Rule 3.200 and Rule 3.400 into Rule 3.300, while also updating the Rules. Currently, Rule 3.300 governs the disconnection of residential water, gas, and electric service and Rule 3.400 prescribes the rules for non-residential utility disconnections and Cable disconnections. The Department notes that the Vermont Cable and Water utilities may not have received notice of this proceeding, or its expanded scope, as it appears that companies these are not on the service list for this case.

Because the Department’s draft comprehensive rule may lead to the eventual alteration of Rules 3.200, 3.300, and 3.400, the Department recommends that Vermont Cable and Water utilities be given notice of this proceeding as soon as practicable. The Department also proposes to delay the filing of its draft comprehensive rule, and all subsequent process, by at least three weeks. Such an

extension would afford the implicated utilities that have not received notice an opportunity to review the case to date.

Dated in Montpelier, Vermont on this 10th day of January 2020.

/s/ Alex Wing
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cc: ePUC Service List