

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 22-2230-PET

Petition of Vermont Gas Systems, Inc.,
pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248(i), for approval of
an out-of-state renewable gas purchase contract
with a term exceeding five years

Motion to Change Schedule

On Thursday, Sept. 8, the PUC Hearing Officer issued a Notice of Scheduling the Evidentiary Hearing in this case for Sept. 20 from 9:30 to 1:30 pm.

Pro se Intervenor Bock was attending the FERC conference in Burlington all day and received the Notice at the end of the day. Intervenor Bock immediately contacted her witnesses and learned that Emily Grubert is committed to a speaking engagement from 10 to 3:30 on Sept. 20. Dr. Grubert offered the dates and times of: after 1 pm on the 21st after 11 am on the 22nd and 23rd.

Intervenor Bock then contacted the other parties to this case, received no response from the Department of Public Service, and the following response this morning from VGS attorney Owen McClain:

Based on the current scheduling order, we have been holding 9/19-9/21 open for a hearing because I believe the hearing officer said the Commission was not available on 9/22 or 9/23. After the notice came out, our witnesses booked travel, airline tickets, etc. At this point 9/21 does not work for our witnesses at all. We also have conflicts for another witness on 9/22 and 9/23. A hearing that late would also give us just a week to brief the case when the schedule contemplates "two weeks" for briefing but no later than 9/30.

Intervenor Bock believes it is critical for the PUC and other parties to be able to cross-examine witness Emily Grubert, and asks that the PUC resolve this scheduling conflict so that Dr. Grubert's testimony is considered as part of this Investigation.

Dated September 9, 2022

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