

May 31, 2023

Holly R. Anderson, Clerk
Vermont Public Utility Commission
112 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

Re: 23-1364 INV

Dear Ms. Anderson,

Vermont Electric Cooperative (VEC) offers the following response to the Public Utility Commission's Order dated 4/27/23 regarding electric vehicle rates.

1. The approximate date that you expect to file your tariffs with the Commission.

VEC currently offers Service Classification 1.2, time of use rate that members who participate in the Energy Transformation Program can opt into. Electric vehicle incentives are part of the Energy Transformation Program. The current TOU rate helps incentivize load management for all EV drivers, regardless of how they charge at home, allowing load management programs and incentives to apply equitably amongst all EV drivers.

The current TOU rate has three time periods—on peak (5:01pm-9pm), mid peak (7:01am-5pm) and off peak (9:01pm to 7am weekdays, and all-day weekends and holidays). The rate for the off-peak period is \$.13444 compared to the default residential rate of \$.20076. This whole house rate provides an incentive for customers to shift their electric usage away from high-cost hours and does not require submetering.

Non-Residential Energy Transformation rate- VEC also offers Service Classification 2.2 for Small Commercial members and 2.3 for Large Commercial members that participate in Energy Transformation projects. These are non-demand, time of use rates that can be used for level II and level III public and workplace chargers.

Flexible Load Incentives for level II home chargers- VEC offers a load management program for members that utilize level II electric vehicle chargers. In 2023, VEC began offering free home chargers to members. The participant is responsible for the installation and must enroll the charger in VEC's communications platform so that VEC can ask the charger not to charge during peak events (5-6 events per month, up to 3-4 hours each event). Participants receive \$8/month provided that they do not opt out of any events. This program enables VEC to ensure that charging is not occurring during peak events, provides discounted charging to members, and is simple to administer.

2. Whether you will file multiple EVSE tariffs, and to which rate classes, market segments, or customer segments those rates will apply.

VEC currently offers multiple EVSE tariff, as outlined above. Any account with usage of 130,000 kWh per month or less can participate in one of those rates.

3. Progress barriers that you are encountering that could prevent you from meeting the requirements of Sections (a) and (b) of Act 55 and possible solutions to overcoming those barriers.

Since VEC already has rates and programs in place that meet these requirements, there are no barriers.

4. Whether you already offer an EVSE rate that qualifies for the exemption of Act 55, Section (d). Please identify the rate class, market segment, or customer segment to which the exemption applies.

Please see response to Q1.

5. Whether you expect to request an extension under Act 55, Section (e), with respect to any of the EVSE rate classes, market segments, or customer segments.

No, VEC does not plan to request an extension.

6. Suggested topics for additional workshops or written filings.

None at this time.

Please contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,



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