

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 23-1364-INV

Public Utility Commission 2023 Investigation into Rates Related to Electric Vehicles	
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The Village of Hyde Park Electric Department (“VoHP”) submits to the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“PUC”) this update on VoHP’s rates and tariffs for electric vehicles (“EV”) and electric vehicle supply equipment (“EVSE”).

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

Answer:

VoHP anticipates filing EV and EVSE tariffs 45 days before the June 30, 2024 deadline. VoHP will be seeking to propose EV rate designs for all public charging stations owned and operated by VoHP, as well as a rate design for charging stations owned and operated by others as needed within differentiated classes of service customers.

2. *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.*

Answer:

VoHP has identified barriers to implementing the requirements of Act 55, which include upgrades to VoHP’s enterprise software and administrative costs to support VoHP’s IT and customer service staff. At present, VoHP is currently assessing its present-day IT infrastructure construct including metering software and the possibility of migrating to a new enterprise software system. VoHP believes that a new enterprise software system will mitigate most of the barriers to the utility related to implementing a rate structure for supporting EVs and EVSE. Customer-side barriers include panel upgrades, metering, cellular/broadband connectivity, and interconnection costs, which occur with Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 charging infrastructure.

3. *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.*

Answer:

VoHP does not have a current tariff in place. This rate will be created and proposed to take effect in 2024 to take into consideration EVs and EVSE.

4. *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.*

Answer:

VoHP may seek an extension under Act 55, Section (e) due to the timing and potential migration efforts outlined above which could limit our ability to offer such services.

Sincerely,
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