

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 24-1493-PET

Efficiency Vermont request for a proceeding to review the effects of unanticipated Energy Efficiency Utility funding on quantifiable performance indicators, fees, and services, including the 2024-2026 Demand Resources Plan	
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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE RESPONSE TO COMMISSION ORDER

On May 14, 2024, the Public Utility Commission (the “Commission”) issued an *Order Providing Notice of Proceeding and Requesting Comment*. The Commission’s Order concerns a motion filed by Efficiency Vermont on May 1, 2024 in Case No. 22-2954-PET, in which Efficiency Vermont requests that the Commission open a process for establishing a schedule for proposed amendments to Efficiency Vermont’s 2024-2026 Demand Resources Plan (“DRP”) on account of the receipt of Unanticipated Additional Funding in the form of contract entered into with the Department of Public Service (Contract No. 47391) for an additional \$25 million in federal American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) funds for calendar years 2024 through 2026 for various weatherization activities. Efficiency Vermont further requests that the Commission confirm that activities associated with the delivery of services provided under Contract No. 47391 are separate from those supported by its approved 2024-2026 energy efficiency charge and Thermal Energy and Process Fuel budgets.

The Commission’s May 14th Order requests comments on whether the activities supported by the contract should be managed as separate activities from Efficiency Vermont’s approved DRP programs before the Commission establishes a schedule for the next steps in this proceeding. The Department of Public Service has reviewed Efficiency Vermont’s request and

supports Efficiency Vermont's recommendation that activities associated with Contract No. 47391 be handled separately from Efficiency Vermont's approved DRP programs.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont this 22nd day of May 2024.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

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