

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 24-3359-INV

Investigation of the standard-offer contract between Vermont Renewable Gas, LLC and the Standard Offer Facilitator	
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Order entered: 01/24/2025

ORDER EXTENDING SCHEDULE

This case concerns an investigation, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 209(a)(8) and 8005a(b)-(d), to review an executed contract between Vermont Renewable Gas, LLC (“VRG”) and the Standard Offer Facilitator for a 2.2 MW electric generation facility in Lyndon, Vermont (the proposed “Facility”).

In a January 8, 2025, Order, the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) established a schedule for the proceeding, making changes to a previously established schedule.

On January 23, 2025, the Vermont Agency of Agriculture Food and Markets (“AAFM”) filed a motion to change the schedule. AAFM requests to extend the January 23, 2025, deadline to file its brief on the Facility’s eligibility under the Standard Offer Program. AAFM states that it requires additional time due to the complexity and uniqueness of this case and unanticipated internal review.

VRG represents that VRG, the Vermont Public Service Department, and the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources support its motion. The Commission also received public comments from Pike Porter objecting to the schedule extension.

Under Commission Rule 2.207(C), absent extraordinary circumstances, any motion to extend a deadline must be filed at least 3 days before the deadline and must set forth good cause why the extension should be granted. While AAFM has not filed its motion 3 days in advance, I grant the schedule extension. This proceeding includes complex and unique legal issues that have not been previously addressed by the Commission. Because the primary issue in this proceeding addresses whether VRG is eligible for a standard-offer contract under the farm methane category, AAFM’s position is requested in this proceeding. I thus conclude that there is good cause to grant the schedule extension.

AAFM did recommend a specific time for the schedule to be extended. I am granting a week extension. The deadline for briefs on the Facility's eligibility under the Standard Offer Program is January 30, 2025; and the deadline for reply briefs is February 13, 2025.

SO ORDERED.

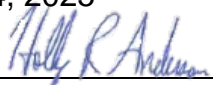
Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 24th day of January, 2025.



Mary Jo Krolewski
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: January 24, 2025

Attest: 

Clerk of the Commission

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