



**State of Vermont
Public Utility Commission**

MEMORANDUM

To: Parties in Case No. 25-1069-TF

From: Andrea Poppiti, Hearing Officer *AP*

Re: Request for Information

Date: July 10, 2025

On May 30, 2025, Green Mountain Power Corporation (“GMP”) filed proposed tariff revisions for approval with the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) reflecting a 7.35% increase for its FY26 annual base rate adjustment effective with bills rendered on or after October 1, 2025. This annual filing for base rate adjustments was made pursuant to GMP’s Multi-Year Regulation Plan (“MYRP”).

Commission staff have conducted an initial review of the tariff filing and request information on the following issues. GMP is directed to respond to the following information requests by no later than July 22, 2025.

1. In Case No. 24-1709-TF, the Commission directed GMP to file an update with its next annual base rate filing on when it intends to (1) conduct its next fully allocated class-cost-of-service study; and (2) file its proposed rate design changes.¹ It does not appear that GMP has provided this update as part of its FY26 annual base rate adjustment filing in the present case. Please provide this update to the Commission as required by the 24-1709-TF directive.
2. On Page 2, Schedule A, GMP states that “Regional Network Services (RNS) rates increased by more than 20% since 2024, significantly above previous forecasts.” Please provide a side-by-side comparison of the last FY26 forecast and the current FY26 forecast for these amounts as well as a calculation showing what portion of the 7.35% base rate adjustment is attributable to the increase in RNS rates. Additionally, please provide a more detailed explanation of why these amounts have increased.
3. On Page 2, Schedule A, GMP states that “[t]he average cost to purchase energy, benchmarked for the year based upon prices available this spring, is about 10% higher than previously forecasted.” Please provide a side-by-side comparison of the last FY26 forecast and the current FY26 forecast for these amounts as well as a calculation showing what portion of the 7.35% base rate adjustment is attributable to

¹ See *Tariff filing of Green Mountain Power Corporation for approval of a 5.26% increase for its FY25 annual base rate adjustment effective with bills rendered on or after October 1, 2024*, Case No. 24-1709-TF, Order of 8/26/24.

these increased energy costs. Additionally, please provide a more detailed explanation of why these amounts have increased.

4. On Page 2, Schedule A, GMP states that “[b]ased on ITRON forecasts, GMP is projecting a \$13.7M increase in retail revenue in FY26 over FY25.” How much higher is the retail revenue than previously forecasted? Please explain this difference.
5. On Page 3, Schedule A, GMP describes updates to operating and maintenance (“O&M”) costs. Please provide a comparison of the dollar and percentage updates with previously forecasted amounts for the O&M cost categories.
6. On Page 5, Schedule A, GMP states that it “recently hosted an open house in St. Johnsbury for customers, which included information on GMP’s annual performance under the [MYRP] and an opportunity to answer any questions.” When was the open house held? Was there an option to attend virtually? How many customers were in attendance? Did GMP provide any documents to attendees? Are these documents available on GMP’s website?
7. In Case No. 24-1709-TF, the Commission encouraged GMP to consider ways to proactively educate customers about the MYRP.² Has GMP increased efforts to educate customers on the mechanics of the MYRP? If so, how? If not, why?
8. Schedule I is GMP’s FY26 Zero Outage Initiatives (“ZOI”) report and summarizes \$15.5 million in ZOI projects that GMP completed through March 31, 2025.
 - a. Please provide capital documentation requirements referenced in footnote 1 for each of the “Major Projects” (these are capital projects more than \$2,000,000) including the cost-benefit analysis.
 - b. Additionally, please provide capital documentation requirements for the “Non-Major Projects” identified as Oracle Project Numbers 189371 and 196305.
 - c. Please confirm that the FY26 base rate filing does not include any ZOI-related O&M expenses.
9. Please provide the amount of New Initiative Programs spending for FY26 other than Energy Storage System-related funding.
10. Please provide Schedule C, Cost of Service, in spreadsheet format. Additionally, please file FY 2026 COS Filing Format_June_2025.xls.
11. On Page 5, Schedule C2c: Production Wholly-Owned O&M Expense, the “Reference to Annual COS File(s)” indicates a 2024 file (FY 2026 COS Filing Format_June_2024.xls) while other items in Schedule C refer to a 2025 file (FY 2026 COS Filing Format_June_2025.xls). Should this reference be to FY 2026 COS Filing Format_June_2025.xls? If not, please explain why this item refers to a June 2024 document rather than June 2025.

² *Id.* at 7.

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