

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 26-0651-PET

Petition of Green Mountain Power for a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248, authorizing the rebuild of the Georgia substation in Georgia, Vermont	
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Order entered: 08/13/2026

ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION OF FILING DEADLINE

On May 8, 2026, I issued an order adopting the schedule proposed by the parties in this case.

On August 12, 2026, Green Mountain Power Corporation (“GMP”) filed a motion to extend the stipulation deadline by three weeks to September 2, 2026, and to adjust the remaining deadlines in the schedule accordingly. GMP states that it “needs additional time to confer with the Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets (“AAFM”) to understand AAFM’s concerns with this substation rebuild project and to determine if a stipulation can be reached.”¹ GMP acknowledges that it was aware that Commission Rule 2.207(c) requires motions for extensions be submitted at least three days before the deadline, but “the fact that GMP and AAFM have considerable areas still to be negotiated only became apparent today.”² GMP represents that the Vermont Department of Public Service and AAFM support the extension.

Commission Rule 2.207(C) requires that, “[a]bsent 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 negotiation among the parties to reach an agreement does not constitute extraordinary circumstances, I conclude there is good cause to grant the extension request because it is supported by AAFM and reflects the parties’ ongoing efforts to reach an agreement expeditiously. Therefore, I waive the “extraordinary circumstances” requirement of Commission Rule 2.207(C) and grant GMP’s extension request.

The remaining deadlines in the case are outlined below.

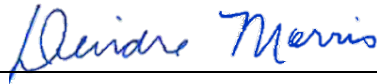
¹ Motion at 1.

² Motion at 2.

<i>If the matter is NOT contested</i>	Date
Deadline for parties to file stipulations and any requests for hearing	September 2, 2026
Deadline for proposed findings, if no hearing is requested, or tentative evidentiary hearing date	September 17, 2026
Deadline for proposed findings if hearing is requested	October 2, 2026
<i>If the matter IS contested</i>	Date
Deadline for submitting proposed schedules for litigation of any contested issues	September 4, 2026

SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 13th day of August, 2026.



Deirdre Morris
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: August 13, 2026

Attest: 

Deputy Clerk of the Commission

Notice to Parties: Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Commission within 30 days. Appeal will not stay the effect of this order, absent further order by this Commission or appropriate action by the Supreme Court of Vermont. Motions for reconsideration or stay, if any, must be filed with the Commission within 28 days of the date of this order.

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