



**State of Vermont
Public Utility Commission
MEMORANDUM**

To: Parties in PUC Case Number 20-2022-INV
From: Andrea Poppiti, Utilities Analyst^{ACP}
Re: Request for Comments and Reply Comments
Date: October 5, 2020

On October 1, 2020, the City of Burlington Electric Department (“BED”) filed its calculation of the 2021 Electric Efficiency Charge (“EEC”) with the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) pursuant to PUC Rule 5.306(A). BED states that it has included an “upward adjustment to reflect the impact of new legislation (SB 337).” BED goes on to state that it has incorporated an additional \$142,088 into the EEC calculation to fund additional activities permitted under S.337.

Section 1. of S.337 states:

- (a) The electric resource acquisition budget for an entity appointed to provide electric energy efficiency and conservation programs and measures pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 209(d)(2)(A) for the calendar years 2021–2023 shall be determined pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 209(d)(3)(B). This section shall apply only if the entity’s total electric resource acquisition budget for 2021–2023 does not exceed the entity’s total electric resource acquisition budget for 2018–2020.
- (b) Notwithstanding any provision of law or order of the Public Utility Commission (PUC) to the contrary, the PUC shall authorize an entity pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to spend a portion of its electric resource acquisition budget, in an amount to be determined by the PUC but not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 per year, on programs, measures, and services that reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the thermal energy or transportation sectors.

BED is requested to make a supplemental filing to explain how its EEC proposal, including the upward adjustment, is consistent with the electric resource-acquisition budgets that are the subject of the pending Demand Resources Plan proceeding in Case No. 19-3272-PET, and the S.337 section that allows an EEU “to spend a *portion* of its electric resource acquisition budget” but not to increase that budget. BED is directed to file its response by no later than Monday, October 12, 2020.

The Commission asks that the Vermont Department of Public Service (“DPS”) file reply comments on or before Monday, October 19, 2020.

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