

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 20-3563-PET

Petition of the Town of Stowe Electric Department for approval of its 2020 Integrated Resource Plan	
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Order entered: 03/03/2021

SCHEDULING & PRO HAC VICE ORDER

This proceeding concerns a petition by the Town of Stowe Electric Department (“SED”) with the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) for approval of SED’s 2020 Integrated Resource Plan (“2020 IRP”).

In today’s Order, I establish a schedule for this proceeding and approve a motion by Michael J. Hall, Esq., Stackpole & French LLP, to appear *pro hac vice* on behalf of SED.

I. BACKGROUND

On November 24, 2020, SED filed a petition with the Commission for approval of its 2020 IRP.

On December 1, 2020, Michael J. Hall, Esq., Stackpole & French LLP, filed a motion to appear *pro hac vice* on behalf of SED.

On February 11, 2021, I issued a notice of a scheduling conference to be held on February 16, 2021.

On February 16, 2021, the scheduling conference was held as noticed and was attended by SED and the Vermont Department of Public Service (“Department”).

On February 22, 2021, SED filed its proposed customer notice.

On February 23, 2021, the Department filed a joint proposed schedule on behalf of itself and SED.

II. SCHEDULE

The Department and SED jointly propose the following schedule for this proceeding:

Date	Event
February 16, 2021	Scheduling Conference
March 8, 2021	Notice of 2020 IRP proceeding submitted to all SED customers
March 22, 2021	Deadline for motion(s) to intervene and request(s) for public hearing
March 29, 2021	Deadline for responses to motion(s) to intervene and request(s) for public hearing
April 12, 2021	Deadline for discovery requests served on the petitioner
April 26, 2021	Deadline for petitioner's responses to discovery requests & for initial comments on 2020 IRP
May 4, 2021	First workshop, if requested by Commission
May 18, 2021	Second workshop, if requested by Commission
May 25, 2021	Deadline for non-petitioner's initial comments on 2020 IRP
June 8, 2021	Deadline for petitioner's reply comments
June 22, 2021	Deadline for stipulation(s) or to schedule further process or a hearing, if necessary

I adopt the joint proposed schedule for this proceeding.

When motions are filed in this case, consistent with Vermont Rule of Civil Procedure 78 and unless different deadlines are established by the Commission, (1) responses shall be due 14 days after the motion is filed; (2) replies to any responses shall be due 14 days after the responses are filed.

Parties are reminded that documents submitted in .pdf format should be in an "unlocked" format, i.e., searchable and extractable, rather than in an image format.

Members of the public interested in this proceeding may participate by submitting public comments or by intervening as a formal party to the case. Members of the public may also simply monitor the Commission's actions in a specific case. Guidance on how to monitor, comment on, or actively participate in Commission proceedings is available in the document "Public Participation and Intervention in Proceedings before the Public Utility Commission," which is available on the Commission's website at: <https://puc.vermont.gov/document/public-participation-and-intervention-proceedings-public-utility-commission>.

Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 20 and 21, the Petitioner will be responsible for court reporter costs incurred by the Commission during this proceeding and billed back to the Petitioner.

III. MOTION TO APPEAR *PRO HAC VICE*

On December 1, 2020, Michael J. Hall, Esq., Stackpole & French LLP, filed a motion to appear *pro hac vice* on behalf of SED.

Under Commission Rule 2.201(C), the Commission may grant permission for an attorney admitted to practice and in good standing in another state to appear in particular matters before the Commission, provided that such attorney has co-counsel of record admitted to practice law in Vermont.

In its *pro hac vice* motion, SED represents that Michael J. Hall, Esq., is admitted to practice law in New Hampshire and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. As discussed in SED's motion, Attorney Hall would be co-counsel in this proceeding with Edward B. French, Jr., Esq. of Stackpole and French, LLP, who is admitted to practice law in Vermont.

No party filed comments on SED's *pro hac vice* motion.

Having reviewed SED's *pro hac vice* motion, I find that Attorney Hall meets the requirements of Commission Rule 2.201(C), and, therefore, the motion is granted.

SO ORDERED.

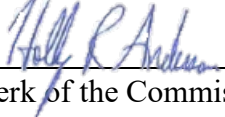
Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 3rd day of March, 2021.



John Gerhard, Esq.
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: March 3, 2021

Attest:  _____
Clerk of the Commission

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