

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 20-0203-INV

Investigation into the establishment of reduced rates for low-income residential ratepayers of Vermont electric utilities	
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Order entered: 04/30/2021

ORDER GRANTING MOTION AND RESCHEDULING WORKSHOP

This proceeding concerns an investigation opened by the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) into the establishment of reduced rates for low-income residential ratepayers of Vermont electric utilities. In today’s Order, we grant a motion to cancel a workshop scheduled for May 10, 2021, and reschedule that workshop for July 8, 2021.

Green Mountain Power Corporation (“GMP”) has been operating the Energy Assistance Program – a low-income rate available to qualified customers in its service territory – for several years and has accrued valuable experience in offering a low-income electric rate in Vermont. The Vermont Department of Public Service (“Department”) recently hired GDS Associates (“GDS”) to review and make recommendations to improve the Energy Assistance Program.

On April 22, 2021, the Department asked the Commission to delay a May 10, 2021, workshop on the EAP. The Department needs the additional time to finalize a contract with GDS so that GDS can participate in the workshop. GMP does not object to the Department’s request.

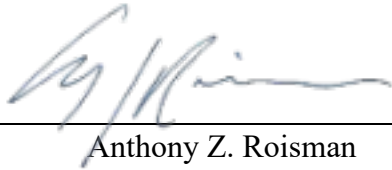
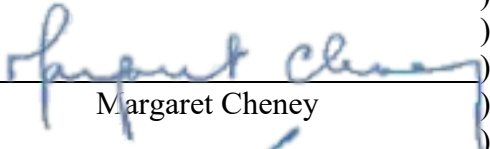
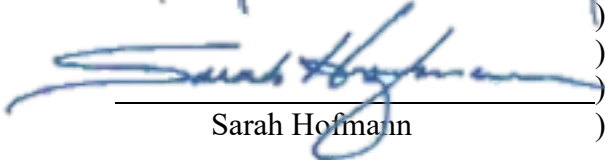
We find the Department’s request reasonable. GDS performed an evaluation of the Energy Assistance Program and has vital information about the Energy Assistance Program that can inform our discussion about low-income rates in Vermont. We consider their participation in this workshop essential.

Therefore, the May 10, 2021, workshop is cancelled, and a new workshop is scheduled for July 8, 2021.

We ask the presenters to file with the Commission any slides or presentation materials for the workshop by no later than July 6, 2021.

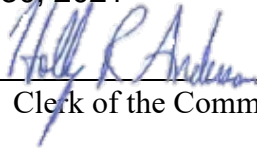
SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 30th day of April, 2021.

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Filed: April 30, 2021

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Clerk of the Commission

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Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Clerk of 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 Clerk of the Commission within 28 days of the date of this decision and Order.

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