

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 22-2954-PET

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| Petition of the Department of Public Service to open a proceeding to initiate EEU Demand Resources Plan proceeding for the 2024-2026 and 2027-2029 performance periods |  |
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Order entered: 03/30/2023

**INFORMATION REQUESTS REGARDING DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE TESTIMONY ON  
VERMONT GAS PROPOSAL**

This case concerns the petition of the Department of Public Service (“Department”) to open an energy efficiency utility Demand Resources Plan (“DRP”) proceeding. Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) staff have reviewed the evidence filed by the Department regarding its position on the DRP proposal of Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. (“VGS”). The Department is requested to respond to the following information requests by no later than April 20, 2023.

1. Please re-file any witness testimony that has incorrect pagination. For example, Mr. Levenson’s testimony appears as “Page 18 of 18” throughout.
2. Referring to the prefiled testimony of Keith Levenson, please provide work papers that support Mr. Levenson’s testimony regarding the approximate dollar impact associated with VGS’s proposed performance incentive mechanism.
3. In A6, lines 10-11, Mr. Levenson states that “Sean Foley will provide testimony on the VGS proposal for a performance incentive mechanism.” However, Mr. Foley’s prefiled testimony does not appear to address the VGS proposal for a performance incentive mechanism. Please clarify.
4. In A9, lines 17-18, Mr. Levenson states that the Department’s proposed reductions to the VGS budget “will reduce EEC collections from VGS ratepayers by \$5.6 million over 15 years.” In A7, lines 10-11, Mr. Foley states that reducing VGS’s proposed budget by 5% will result in decreasing EEC collections over the next 15 years by approximately \$4.3 million. Please explain this apparent discrepancy and provide supporting workpapers.

5. Please explain the following differences in the VGS-funded sections of the Department's evaluation plan and budget, as represented in exhibits DPS-BM-1 and DPS-BM-4.

| Activity                                    | DPS-BM-1  | DPS-BM-4  |
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| TAG and TRM Review                          | \$48,000  | \$49,100  |
| Market characterizations and assessments    | \$147,800 | \$149,900 |
| HPwES performance evaluation, including VGS | \$53,900  | \$54,500  |
| Expert technical assistance                 | \$24,000  | \$24,500  |

**SO ORDERED.**


Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 30th day of March, 2023.



Thomas Knauer  
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: March 30, 2023

Attest:   
Clerk of the Commission

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