

APPLICATION OF DOMINION)
ENERGY UTAH FOR THE CREATION) Docket No. 19-057-T04
OF A VOLUNTARY RENEWABLE)
NATURAL GAS PROGRAM) APPLICATION

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APPLICATION
AND
EXHIBITS

March 29, 2019

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPLICATION OF DOMINION
ENERGY UTAH FOR APPROVAL OF
THE VOLUNTARY RENEWABLE
NATURAL GAS PROGRAM

Docket No. 19-057-T04

APPLICATION

Questar Gas Company dba Dominion Energy Utah (Dominion Energy or the Company) respectfully requests the approval of tariff changes that would implement a “GreenTherm” voluntary renewable energy program, and that would result in an opportunity for Dominion Energy’s customers to voluntarily contribute to a fund that would be used to purchase Renewable Natural Gas (defined in the pre-filed Direct Testimony of Travis S. Willey, DEU Exhibit 1.0), and fund projects designed to promote Renewable Natural Gas and energy efficiency. The Commission has general jurisdiction to decide this matter pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §54-3-3 (2018) and § 54-4-1 (2018). The Company also requests the approval of the accounting orders necessary for the implementation of the GreenTherm™ program.

At a time when voluntary renewable energy programs are available across North America, and when customer demand for renewable energy grows, the GreenTherm™ program offers an opportunity for Utah customers to contribute to environmentally sustainable programs. As described more fully in the Direct Testimonies of Travis S. Willey, and Ted C. Peterson, attached as DEU Exhibit 1.0, DEU Exhibit 2.0 respectively, the GreenTherm™ program would provide benefits to Utah customers, and to the environment. These benefits include satisfying customer demand for renewable energy

options, support for the development of the renewable energy resources, and, potentially, advancing the improvement of environmental conditions here in Utah.

Participation in GreenTherm™ program would be completely voluntary, and customers could enter and exit the program at will, by simply visiting the Company's website or making a telephone call. Funds from customers would be used to purchase Renewable Natural Gas, to fund Renewable Natural Gas and energy efficiency projects in Utah, and to cover the program's administrative costs. The program is designed to ensure that non-participating customers would not bear any cost burden related to the program. The proposed program is consistent with a variety of initiatives advanced by other utilities in North America, and with Utah's own stated environmental goals.

The Company has discussed its plans with interested stakeholders, and has collaborated with those stakeholders to develop a billing mechanism that would be easy for customers to understand, and compatible with the Company's existing billing system. The Company has selected a methodology for accounting that ensures both that participating customers receive Renewable Natural Gas, and that the program costs are covered. As an added benefit, excess funds would contribute to the development of additional renewable resources and energy efficiency programs.

The Company offers the pre-filed Direct Testimonies of Travis S. Willey and Ted C. Peterson, with accompanying exhibits, as support for this Application and incorporates those testimonies and exhibits herein by reference.

Based upon the foregoing, approving the proposed Tariff change and accounting orders is just, reasonable and in the public interest.

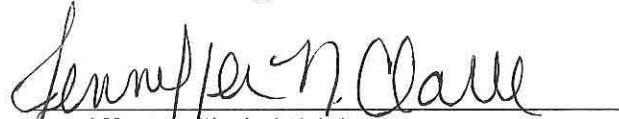
WHEREFORE, Dominion Energy Utah respectfully requests that the Commission enter an Order authorizing Dominion Energy to:

- 1) Implement the proposed Tariff Section 8.09 creation effective June 1, 2019, in accordance with its rules and procedures, and the Company's Tariff
- 2) Record as a regulatory asset the costs incurred for the GreenTherm™ program as discussed in this Application, which include:
 - i. Customer contributions
 - ii. Marketing and administrative costs
 - iii. Interest expense
 - iv. Expenses associated with the purchase of RNG
 - v. Expenses associated with funding of qualifying initiatives
- 3) Grant Dominion Energy an accounting order allowing the Company to establish GreenTherm™ Account 191.4.

DATED this 29th day of March 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 29, 2019, a true and correct copy of the foregoing Application of Dominion Energy Utah for the Creation of a Voluntary Renewable Natural Gas Program was served upon the following by electronic mail:

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