Application of Dominion Energy Utah to Amortize the Conservation Enabling Tariff Balancing Account

DOCKET NO. 17-057-15 ORDER SETTING FINAL RATES

ISSUED: December 4, 2018

BACKGROUND AND PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On September 1, 2017, Dominion Energy Utah (DEU) filed an application to amortize the Conservation Enabling Tariff (CET) balancing account requesting no change to the current \$0.00 per decatherm CET amortization rates. In an order issued in this docket on November 2, 2017, the Public Service Commission (PSC) approved the application on an interim basis pending the completion of an audit by the Division of Public Utilities (DPU). On October 31, 2018, the DPU filed a memorandum recommending the interim CET rates be made final. Thereafter, the PSC issued a notice of filing and comment period. No party filed comments, and the opportunity to do so has since elapsed.

THE DPU'S AUDIT

According to the DPU, "[t]he CET is a mechanism designed to ensure that [DEU] only collects from GS customers the [PSC] authorized revenue per customer. The review consisted of a verification of the GS customer count at the time of the filings and a review of the allowed revenue per customer that was ordered by the [PSC] in the last general rates case. This information was reviewed and verified as correct by the [DPU]." Based on its review, the DPU

¹ See Order Memorializing Bench Ruling, issued November 2, 2017.

² DPU Memorandum at 2, filed October 31, 2018.

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recommends the PSC set the CET interim rates in this docket as final. A table of the interim and final rates for this docket is included as an appendix to this order.

DISCUSSION, FINDINGS, AND CONCLUSIONS

Based on the DPU's audit report and in the absence of any opposition, we find the interim CET amortization rates we previously approved in this docket are just, reasonable, and in the public interest. Accordingly, we approve the rates as final.

ORDER

The interim CET rates previously ordered by the PSC in this docket are final.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, December 4, 2018.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg PSC Secretary

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Notice of Opportunity for Agency Review or Rehearing

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15, a party may seek agency review or rehearing of this order by filing a request for review or rehearing with the PSC within 30 days after the issuance of the order. Responses to a request for agency review or rehearing must be filed within 15 days of the filing of the request for review or rehearing. If the PSC fails to grant a request for review or rehearing within 20 days after the filing of a request for review or rehearing, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the PSC's final agency action may be obtained by filing a Petition for Review with the Utah Supreme Court within 30 days after final agency action. Any Petition for Review must comply with the requirements of Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-401, 63G-4-403, and the Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on December 4, 2018, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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APPENDIX: INTERIM AND APPROVED CET AMORTIZATION RATES

Docket No.	Block	Schedule	Interim CET Amortization per Dth	Approved CET Amortization per Dth
17-057-15	Winter 1	GS	\$0.00000	\$0.00000
	Winter 2	GS	\$0.00000	\$0.00000
	Summer 1	GS	\$0.00000	\$0.00000
	Summer 2	GS	\$0.00000	\$0.00000