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> APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS

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## - BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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Questar Gas Company dba Dominion Energy Utah (Dominion Energy Utah or the Company) respectfully submits to the Utah Public Service Commission (Commission) this Application for the approval of an amortization of the Conservation Enabling Tariff (CET) balance, and an adjustment to the distribution non-gas cost portions of its Utah GS natural gas rates pursuant to §2.08 of the Company's Utah Natural Gas Tariff No. 500 (Tariff).

If the Commission grants this Application, a typical GS residential customer using 80 Dth per year will see an increase in their yearly bill of \$5.11 or .84%. The Company proposes to implement this request by charging the new rates effective April 1, 2019.

In support of this Application, Dominion Energy Utah states:

1. <u>Dominion Energy Utah's Operations</u>. Dominion Energy Utah, a Utah corporation, is a public utility engaged in the distribution of natural gas primarily to customers in the states of Utah and Wyoming. Its Utah public utility activities are regulated by the Commission, and the Company's charges and general conditions for natural gas service in Utah are set forth in the Tariff. Copies of the Company's Articles of Incorporation are on file with the Commission. In addition, the Company serves customers in the Franklin County, Idaho area. Under the terms of agreement between the Commission and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, the rates for these Idaho

customers are determined by the Utah Commission. Volumes for these customers have been included in the Utah volumes.

- 2. <u>Settlement Stipulation Order.</u> On page 15 of the Order Approving Settlement Stipulation in Docket No. 05-057-T01, dated October 5, 2006, and page 12 of the Report and Order approving the Settlement Stipulation in Docket No. 09-057-16, dated June 3, 2010, the Commission authorized Dominion Energy Utah to establish and utilize a CET balancing account, Account 191.9 of the Uniform System of Accounts. This filing is made under §2.08 of the Tariff, which sets forth procedures for recovering the allowed distribution non-gas (DNG) revenue per customer by means of periodic adjustments to rates to amortize this account.
- 3. <u>Test Year</u>. The test year for this application is the 12 months ending March 31, 2020.
- 4. Amortization of Account No. 191.9 Balance. Attached as Exhibit 1.1, is a summary of the CET accounting entries and monthly balances from August 2018 through January 2019. The (\$9,153,146.02) shown on line 1, column F, of Exhibit 1.1 is the August 2018 balance shown in Docket No. 18-057-15. Column B of Exhibit 1.1 shows the monthly CET accrual amount, column C shows the amount amortized to customers each month, and column D shows the monthly interest calculation. The Company proposes to amortize the January 2019 ending balance (over collection) of (\$2,866,545.19) (Exhibit 1.1, column F, line 6) by applying a percentage change to the GS DNG rates as set forth in Exhibit 1.2.
- 5. <u>Proposed Tariff Sheet.</u> Exhibit 1.3 shows the proposed GS rate schedule that reflects the amortization of the balance in Account 191.9 as explained in paragraph 4.
- 6. <u>Change in Typical Customer's Bill.</u> The annualized change in rates calculated in this Application results in a \$5.11 or .84% increase for a typical GS

residential customer using 80 Dth per year. The projected month-by-month bills for a typical GS residential customer are shown in Exhibit 1.4.

- 7. <u>Final Tariff Sheet</u>. In addition to this Conservation Enabling Tariff Application, the Company is also concurrently filing a Pass-Through Application in Docket No. 19-057-04, an Application for an adjustment to the Daily Transportation Imbalance Charge in Docket No. 19-057-05, and an Application to adjust the Carrying Charge applied to various account balances in Docket No. 19-057-T02. The Company has requested that these Applications be made effective April 1, 2019. Exhibit 1.5 shows the proposed GS rate schedule that reflects the final Tariff sheet that would be effective if the Commission approved all of the applications.
- 8. <u>Exhibits.</u> Dominion Energy Utah submits the following Exhibits in support of its request to amortize the CET balance:
  - Exhibit 1.1 CET Accounting Entries, August 2018 through January 2019
  - Exhibit 1.2 Calculation of Proposed CET Rates and Price volume variance
  - Exhibit 1.3 Legislative and Proposed Rate Schedule for CET Amortization Changes Only
  - Exhibit 1.4 Effect on GS Typical Customer
  - Exhibit 1.5 Combined Legislative and Proposed Rate Schedule for CET Amortization, Daily Transportation Imbalance Charge, Pass Through.

WHEREFORE, Dominion Energy Utah respectfully requests that the Commission, in accordance with the Orders identified above and the Company's Tariff:

Enter an order authorizing Dominion Energy Utah to modify the rates and charges applicable to its Utah natural gas service as more fully set out in this Application.

DATED this 1st day of March, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

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