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Mr. Kelly B. Mendenhall
Director of Regulatory and Pricing
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Re: *Dominion Energy Utah's Application for Approval of the 2020 Year Budget for Energy Efficiency Programs and Market Transformation Initiative*, Docket No. 19-057-26; *Dominion Energy Utah's Energy Efficiency Reports, 2020*, Docket No. 20-057-01; and *Dominion Energy Utah's Energy Efficiency Reports, 2021*, Docket No. 21-057-02.

Dear Mr. Mendenhall:

The Public Service Commission (PSC) reviewed Dominion Energy Utah's (DEU) Energy Efficiency (EE) Report for the year ending December 31, 2020 ("2020 Report") addressed to the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) and filed with the PSC February 12, 2021. The 2020 Report is provided to the DPU pursuant to DEU's commitments in its January 6, 2011 comments filed in Docket No. 10-057-15.¹ The PSC also reviewed the comments filed by DPU March 15, 2021. No other party filed comments in this docket.

DPU recommends the PSC acknowledge DEU's 2020 Report and its filing. DPU states that, at its request, DEU provided certain benefit-cost ratios for the 2020 program year useful in understanding the effectiveness of the programs. DPU recommends DEU and the Advisory Group may wish to address trends in various programs and their implications for future budgeting and programs. Based on the PSC's review of the 2020 Report and DPU's comments and recommendation, the PSC acknowledges DEU's 2020 Report complies with DEU's relevant filing commitment.

The PSC's January 16, 2007 Order in Docket No. 05-057-T01 states: "[t]o ensure adequate oversight of proposed DSM program changes and actual spending levels, we direct [DEU] to

¹ *Application for Approval of the 2011 Year Budget for Energy Efficiency Programs and Market Transformation Initiative*; Docket No. 10-057-15. In its January 6, 2011 comments, DEU agreed to, among other things, provide the Office of Consumer Services and DPU with quarterly reports setting forth data relating to program participation, Dth savings, actual spending, and budgets.

regularly apprise the [DPU] of actual participation levels relative to projections. To the extent participation levels differ significantly from the projected levels, either positively or negatively, [DEU] shall report to the [PSC] the expected changes to the TRC, UC, RIM, and PC metrics.”² (“Benefit Cost Information Requirement”). The 2020 Report identifies considerable differences between actual program participation compared to projected levels. Consistent with the Benefit Cost Information Requirement and our Order dated January 29, 2021,³ and in support of the program examination recommended by DPU, the PSC requests DEU, within 15 days, file updated benefit-cost test results for the 2020 EE Programs, as well as a detailed explanation of the components of the DSM accrual amount of -\$1,465,072 identified in the 2020 Report.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
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² *In the Matter of the Approval of the Conservation Enabling Tariff Adjustment Option and Accounting Orders* (Order issued January 16, 2007 at 6-7); Docket No. 05-057-T01.

³ The January 29, 2021 Order states: “[r]egarding the Builder and Weatherization Programs, DEU’s Report states that ‘higher-than-estimated customer rebate totals would result in higher related Dth savings than budgeted.’ To the extent participation levels for any 2020 EE program differ significantly from those initially forecasted, our 2007 Order requires DEU to provide additional analysis. If required, as may be the case in this instance, we anticipate DEU will provide this analysis in its end-of-year EE Program reporting. We further anticipate that DEU’s 2021 EE program budget will be informed by its experiences in 2020.”