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Mr. Kelly B. Mendenhall Director of Regulatory and Pricing Enbridge Gas Utah P.O. Box 45360 Salt Lake City, UT 84145

Re: Application of Dominion Energy Utah for Approval of a Natural Gas Clean Air Project and Funding for the Intermountain Industrial Assessment Center, Docket No. 19-057-33

Dear Mr. Mendenhall:

The Public Service Commission (PSC) reviewed Enbridge Gas Utah's ("EGU" formerly, "Dominion Energy Utah") Natural Gas Clean Air Project and Funding for the Intermountain Industrial Center Program Annual Status Report, filed on December 23, 2024 ("Report"). The Report was filed pursuant to the PSC's Order Approving Settlement Stipulation in this docket, issued August 31, 2020 ("Order"). The Order approved a program for the University of Utah's Intermountain Industrial Assessment Center (IIAC) to conduct certain assessments for EGU (the "Program"). Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Program was temporarily suspended in April 2021, with a retroactive start date of March 1, 2021 through February 28, 2023. The Program was subsequently extended to February 28, 2024 with the same terms and conditions as the Order.<sup>1</sup>

This Report "finalizes the STEP reporting requirements for the [PSC]-approved pilot program and summarizes University of Utah's Intermountain Industrial Assessment Center (IIAC) STEP expenditures, potential energy efficiency and clean air benefits, estimated efficiency project paybacks, and participating businesses who took

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Docket No. 19-057-33, Report from the Public Service Commission of Utah under Utah Code Ann. § 54-20-106, issued September 20, 2023.

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advantage of these enhanced assessments during the program year."<sup>2</sup> The Report states the IIAC completed 59 energy efficiency assessments<sup>3</sup> with potential annual savings of 6,908 dekatherms annually and 6 million kW hours per year. The estimated cost of the projects is \$2.5 million for an annual savings of \$0.8 million with an estimated payback period of 3.3 years.

The PSC also reviewed the Action Request response filed by the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) on January 27, 2025. DPU states it is tasked with reviewing the status of the Program for prudency that would include supporting exhibits for the monies spent. DPU states that EGU provided the level of detail required to complete its review. Additionally, DPU states that the Program's implementation rate over the 3-year program is 59 percent. DPU recommends the PSC acknowledge the Report.

Based on the PSC's review and DPU's comments and recommendation, the PSC acknowledges the Report.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg PSC Secretary

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Report, at 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This Report combines the data from assessments included in the 2023 year-end report filed on June 21, 2024 and four additional assessments completed between January 1, 2024 and February 29, 2024.