

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

Motion of Dominion Energy Utah for Approval to Deviate from Applicable Tariff Provisions and Commission Order Regarding TS Customer Deadlines	<u>DOCKET NO. 20-057-05</u> <u>ORDER GRANTING MOTION</u>
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ISSUED: March 26, 2020

On March 25, 2020, Dominion Energy Utah (DEU) filed a Motion and Request for Expedited Treatment (“Motion”) with the Public Service Commission (PSC). In the Motion, DEU requests leave to deviate from certain provisions of its Utah Natural Gas Tariff No. 500 (“Tariff”), or any related provisions of the Utah Administrative Code R746, in response to the current declared State of Emergency (SOE)¹ and the healthcare crisis related to the novel coronavirus (“COVID-19”) pandemic. The basic purpose of the request for temporary deviations is to allow DEU to continue to provide service while mitigating the risk of COVID-19 exposure by minimizing contact between DEU’s customers and employees.

According to DEU, Section 5.01 of its Tariff provides certain temporal requirements and conditions related to the provision of service for new and prospective transportation customers (*i.e.*, “Section 5.01 Deadlines and Conditions”). The Motion requests leave to deviate from its Tariff, during 2020 only, by modifying and extending the currently effective deadlines and conditions in Tariff Section 5.01 Deadlines and Conditions, as set forth in its Motion, during the pendency of the COVID-19 pandemic and the SOE in order to ensure the safety of its customers and employees.

¹ On March 6, 2020, Utah Governor Gary Herbert declared a state of emergency in Utah related to COVID-19. Governor Herbert has encouraged those who can to work from home and has ordered schools to close.

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DEU states it has communicated with the Division of Public Utilities, the Office of Consumer Services, the Utah Association of Energy Users, the American Natural Gas Council, Nucor Steel–Utah, US Magnesium, and the Federal Executive Agencies (collectively, the “Parties”) about the Motion, and represents that each of the Parties indicated that it either supports or does not oppose the Motion.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on our review of the Motion, the exigent circumstances pertaining to the COVID-19 pandemic, the SOE, and DEU’s statement that the Parties either support or do not oppose the Motion, we find the Motion is in the public interest and therefore approve it.

ORDER

Therefore, we grant the Motion as filed, effective only during calendar year 2020.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, March 26, 2020.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

Attest:

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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 written 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.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on March 26, 2020, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was delivered upon the following as indicated below:

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