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May 3, 2022

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

Re: Dominion Energy Utah's Application for Approval of the 2021 Year Budget for Energy Efficiency Programs and Market Transformation Initiative, Docket No. 20-057-20; Dominion Energy Utah's Energy Efficiency Reports, 2021, Docket No. 21-057-02; and Dominion Energy Utah's Energy Efficiency Reports, 2022, Docket No. 22-057-01

## Dear Mr. Mendenhall:

The Public Service Commission (PSC) reviewed Dominion Energy Utah's (DEU) Energy Efficiency (EE) Report for the year ending December 31, 2021 ("2021 Report") addressed to the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) and filed with the PSC February 14, 2022. DEU is required to file an EE Report with DPU pursuant to DEU's commitments in its January 6, 2011 comments filed in Docket No. 10-057-15. The PSC also reviewed the comments filed by DPU on March 15, 2022. No other party filed comments in Docket No. 20-057-20.

DPU recommends the PSC acknowledge DEU's 2021 Report. In making its recommendation, DPU comments that it acknowledges the success of the EE programs in benefiting all ratepayers by reducing natural gas usage. Despite its recommendation, DPU comments that Weatherization projects saw participation decrease but remained the second-highest rebated measures, and recommends that DEU discuss the results and future of the Weatherization program at an Advisory Group meeting. Based on the PSC's review of the 2021 Report and DPU's comments and recommendation, the PSC acknowledges DEU's 2021 Report complies with the PSC's established filing requirements.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 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.

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Though the PSC acknowledges that the report complies with established filing requirements, the Report fails to address the requirement that DEU "regularly apprise [DPU] of actual participation levels relative to projections, " and, "[t]o the extent participation levels differ significantly from the projected levels, either positively or negatively, . . . report to the [PSC] the expected changes to the TRC, UC, RIM, and PC metrics" ("Benefit Cost Information Requirement"). We reaffirmed this requirement in a May 17, 2021 letter acknowledging DEU's 2020 EE Report, when we required DEU to file missing analysis of significant differences in participation levels relative to its 2020 projections. Consistent with that letter, past PSC orders, and the Benefit Cost Information Requirement, and in support of the program examination recommended by DPU, the PSC directs DEU to file updated benefit-cost test results for the 2021 EE Programs within 60 days of the date of this letter.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg PSC Secretary DW#323873

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In the Matter of the Approval of the Conservation Enabling Tariff Adjustment Option and Accounting Orders, Docket No. 05-057-T01, Order issued January 16, 2007 at 6-7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Dominion Energy Utah's Energy Efficiency Reports, 2021, Docket No. 21-057-02, Acknowledgement Letter issued May 17, 2021.