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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

IN THE MATTER OF THE REVIEW OF
THE CARRYING CHARGES APPLIED TO
VARIOUS DOMINION ENERGY UTAH
ACCOUNT BALANCES
DOMINION ENERGY UTAH'S
APPLICATION FOR
PROPOSED TARIFF CHANGE

Pursuant to Utah Admin Code R746-405-2, Dominion Energy Utah (Dominion Energy Utah or Company) respectfully submits the attached change to Section 8.07 of the Company's Utah Natural Gas Tariff No. 500 (Tariff) to update the Company's carrying charge to 3.05%, with an effective date of April 1, 2022. This interest charge will apply to Dominion Energy Utah accounts 182.3, 182.4, 182.45, 191.1, 191.4, 191.5, 191.8, 191.9 and 235.1.

On February 23, 2017, the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) issued an order in Docket No. 17-057-T01 approving a change in the carrying charges applied to Dominion Energy Utah accounts 182.3, 182.4, 191.1, 191.8, 191.9 and 235.1, including the method for calculating the carrying charges. Section 8.07 of the Tariff explains how interest rates are calculated. Specifically, this section states:

On or before March 1 of each year, the Company shall calculate an annual carrying charge and file a letter with the Commission reflecting this rate, to be effective on April 1 of each year. This charge shall be based on the average annual Aaa and Baa Corporate interest rates for the preceding calendar year.

Accordingly, the Company has calculated an updated interest rate of 3.05%, based upon Aaa and Baa Corporate interest rates for 2021 as published in the Mergent Bond Record. The rates provided by Mergent and the calculation are shown in the following table:

| Jan-21              | 2.45 | 3.24 |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Feb-21              | 2.70 | 3.42 |
| Mar-21              | 3.04 | 3.74 |
| Apr-21              | 2.90 | 3.60 |
| May-21              | 2.96 | 3.62 |
| Jun-21              | 2.79 | 3.45 |
| Jul-21              | 2.57 | 3.24 |
| Aug-21              | 2.55 | 3.24 |
| Sep-21              | 2.53 | 3.23 |
| Oct-21              | 2.68 | 3.35 |
| Nov-21              | 2.62 | 3.28 |
| Dec-21              | 2.71 | 3.37 |
| 2021 Average        | 2.71 | 3.40 |
|                     |      |      |
| Aaa and Baa Average | 3.05 |      |

The updated interest rate has been incorporated into the legislative and proposed Section 8.07 of the Tariff attached as DEU Exhibits 1 and 2, respectively. This proposed Tariff change does not constitute a violation of a state law or Commission rule, and approval of this application is just, reasonable and in the public interest.

Based upon the foregoing, the Company respectfully requests that the Commission approve the proposed Tariff change with an effective date of April 1, 2022.

DATED this 1st day of March, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Application was served upon the following by electronic mail on March 1, 2022:

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