

# UTAH DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Public Utilities

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## **Action Request Response**

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

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**Re: Docket No. 22-057-T04**, Application of Dominion Energy Utah for a Change to

Tariff Section 2.07 Infrastructure Rate Adjustment Tracker.

### Recommendation (Approve)

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) has reviewed Dominion Energy Utah's (Dominion or Company) application to correct an error in its tariff section 2.07 pertaining to its Infrastructure Rate Adjustment Tracker and recommends that the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) approve the application.

#### Issue

In Section 2.07 of its Utah tariff, entitled "Infrastructure Rate Adjustment Tracker" the fourth sentence in the first paragraph states: "In April of each year the Company shall provide an updated master list of all HP pipelines and updated HP and IHP project schedules." The month mentioned in this sentence is inconsistent with the Commission's order in Docket No. 19-057-02 (Order). The updated tariff language would change the filing requirement date to June of each year.

## **Background**

In its 2019 Order,<sup>1</sup> the Commission approved Dominion's application to file updated Master Lists in June of each year, rather than the previously existing deadline of April 30th.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Report and Order 19-057-02 Page 11

Dominion has filed the updated Master Lists in June of each year since then. However, the change in the tariff language from April to June was not updated at that time, nor since, to reflect the new date allowed in the Order. This filing is requesting Commission approval to allow the Company to remedy the discrepancy.

On November 10, 2022, Dominion filed this application and two attached exhibits containing both the legislative and proposed tariff language. On that same day the Commission issued its Action Request to the Division directing it to investigate the filling and provide a recommendation on or before November 25, 2022. On November 15, 2022, the Commission issued its Notice of Filing and Comment period stating that any "interested person may submit comments" on or before that date the Division's Action Request is due with reply comments due on or before December 2, 2022. This memo represents the Division's recommendation to the Action Request and its initial comments.

#### **Discussion**

The outdated reference to April is found in the first paragraph of Section 2.07 of the Tariff. Exhibit 1.1 and 1.2, which accompanied the application, are the proposed and final tariff sheets reflecting the change from April to June.

#### Conclusion

The Division recommends the Commission approve the tariff filing and allow Dominion to change the month from April to June in tariff section 2.07, in order to comply with the prior Order.

Approving this application "will not result in any material impact to the Infrastructure Rate Adjustment Tracker program" nor will it change the Company's current rates.

cc: Kelly B. Mendenhall, Dominion Energy Utah Michele Beck, Office of Consumer Services