STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 20-0399-TF

Tariff filing of Green Mountain Power Corporation to revise the power supply, retail revenue, and exogenous adjustors, and to adjust base rates to remove previous exogenous adjustor embedded in rates, pursuant to its Multi-Year Regulation Plan, effective with bills rendered on or after April 1, 2020

Order entered: 03/30/2020

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY POSTPONEMENT
OF THE FINAL PHASE OF MERGER RATE INTEGRATION

On March 24, 2020, Green Mountain Power Corporation (“GMP”) filed a motion requesting that the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) approve a limited delay to the implementation of the final phase (Step 5) of the integration of remaining legacy rate classes from pre-merger GMP and Central Vermont Public Service Corporation (“CVPS”) as ordered by the Commission in Docket No. 8525, which is due to occur on April 1, 2020.

GMP is requesting approval of a six-month postponement of Step 5 implementation in order to reduce financial stress on its customers during the COVID-19 pandemic. GMP states that the postponement will benefit a majority of affected Commercial & Industrial customers by providing relief from the rate increase that would otherwise occur during this period.

GMP states that it has discussed this proposal with the other parties to the Memorandum of Understanding approved in Docket No. 8525. It is GMP’s understanding that GlobalFoundries and Omya do not object to this proposed temporary delay and the Vermont Department of Public Service (“Department”) has filed a response in support of GMP’s motion.

GMP requests that the Commission approve the temporary delay as promptly as possible under 30 V.S.A. Section 225(a), which allows the Commission to authorize rate changes with less than the typical 45-day notice, subject to the Department’s consent, and upon a showing of
good cause. GMP states that it will carefully monitor and update the Commission as to whether any further delay may be warranted in order to best serve its customers.

On March 24, 2020, the Department filed its response to GMP’s motion. The Department states that it supports GMP’s motion and concurs that there is good cause to waive the 45-day notice under 30 V.S.A. Section 225(a).

GMP’s motion to delay implementation of the final phase (Step 5) of the integration of remaining legacy rate classes from pre-merger GMP and CVPS as ordered by the Commission in Docket No. 8525 is granted. The Commission approves the requested six-month postponement and appreciates GMP’s efforts to alleviate financial strain on its customers during these unprecedented times due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 30th day of March, 2020

PUBLIC UTILITY

COMMISSION

OF VERMONT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: March 30, 2020

Attest: Clerk of the Commission

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Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 30 days. Appeal will not stay the effect of this Order, absent further order by this Commission or appropriate action by the Supreme Court of Vermont. Motions for reconsideration or stay, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 28 days of the date of this decision and Order.
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