

April 13, 2018

Via ePUC and First Class Mail

Ms. Judith Whitney, Clerk
Vermont Public Utility Commission
Peoples United Bank Building, 4th Floor
112 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

Re: Tariff filing of Green Mountain Power requesting an increase in its base rates starting January 1, 2019, to be fully offset by bill credits through September 30, 2019

Dear Ms. Whitney:

On behalf of Green Mountain Power ("GMP"), enclosed is GMP's 2019 tariff filing. GMP is requesting a base rate increase of 5.45%, with a credit of \$27.4 million from federal tax savings to more than offset this base rate increase for the 2019 rate period. This results in a net decrease of 0.5% for customers during the 2019 rate period (January 1-September 30, 2019).

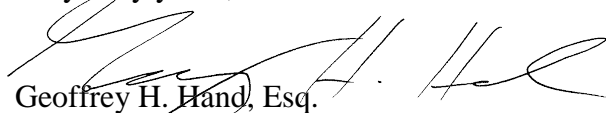
This filing is accompanied by an executive summary from CEO Mary Powell that provides an overview of the rate drivers and also explains the nature of the tariff filing and its effect, as required by PUC Rule 2.401. We have also enclosed the petition, proposed tariffs (clean and marked), and prefiled testimony and exhibits containing the information required by 30 V.S.A. § 218 and PUC Rules 2.401 and 2.402, along with a Notice of Appearance.

Finally, GMP has also attached its proposed notice to customers containing details about the rate change request and where to find additional information. GMP will provide this notice on customer invoices promptly following the Commission's review and approval. GMP has discussed the proposed language with the Department of Public Service and incorporated the Department's feedback in the draft notice enclosed.

GMP has identified an effective date of January 1, 2019 for the revised tariffs, so as to provide sufficient time for review of the proposed tariff under § 227(a). As contemplated under the statute, GMP requests that review of this rate request be completed no later than December 31, 2018.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



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Enclosures

cc: Department of Public Service