

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 8693

Notice of workshop to investigate certain transmission)
charges assessed in conjunction with standard-offer)
projects)

Order entered: 2/25/2016

ORDER OPENING PROCEEDING AND NOTICE OF WORKSHOP

In Docket 8492, the Vermont Public Service Board ("Board") investigated whether certain charges assessed in conjunction with standard-offer projects constitute reasonable costs of the Standard-Offer Facilitator pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(l). As part of the investigation, the Vermont distribution utilities entered into a memorandum of understanding resolving, at least on an interim basis, certain billing disputes concerning wheeling charges assessed in connection with the standard-offer program.

The distribution utilities further requested that the Board open an uncontested proceeding "to address the issue that Standard-Offer projects have located predominantly in one service territory resulting in the generation of power far in excess of that service territory's pro rata share which must be wheeled to other service territories." The Department states that it also supports the opening of an uncontested case to resolve any remaining issues.

Accordingly, the Board hereby opens an uncontested proceeding to investigate these issues. The Board appoints George Young, Policy Director, as lead staff and authorizes him to conduct a workshop on Friday, March 18, 2016, at 9:30 A.M., in the Board's hearing room on the 3rd floor of 112 State Street in Montpelier, Vermont, as well as any necessary additional

proceedings to complete this investigation. The workshop will be recorded by a court reporter. Any interested participant may file written comments with the Board prior to the workshop to help identify issues that should be addressed at the workshop and to recommend any further process, if necessary.

SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 25th day of February, 2016.

<u>s/James Volz</u>)	
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<u>s/Margaret Cheney</u>)	BOARD
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<u>s/Sarah Hofmann</u>)	

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ATTEST: s/Judith C. Whitney
Acting Clerk of the Board

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