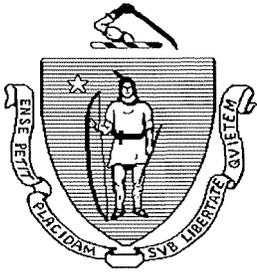


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NOTICE OF FILING AND PUBLIC HEARING

D.P.U. 21-125

November 2, 2021

Petition of NSTAR Gas Company, d/b/a Eversource Energy, pursuant to G.L. c. 25, § 21, for approval by the Department of Public Utilities of its Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan for 2022 through 2024.

On November 1, 2021, NSTAR Gas Company, d/b/a Eversource Energy ("Company"), filed with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department"), a petition for approval of a three-year energy efficiency plan for calendar years 2022 through 2024 ("Three-Year Plan"). The Company filed its Three-Year Plan pursuant to An Act Relative to Green Communities, Acts of 2008, c. 169, § 11 ("Green Communities Act"). The Department docketed this matter as D.P.U. 21-125. The Company requests that the Department approve a single, consolidated Three-Year Plan with Eversource Gas Company of Massachusetts (D.P.U. 21-121).

The Green Communities Act requires the Commonwealth's electric and gas distribution companies, and municipal aggregators with certified efficiency plans (together, "Program Administrators") to develop, in consultation with the Energy Efficiency Advisory Council ("Council"), plans that provide for the acquisition of all available energy efficiency and demand reduction resources that are cost effective or less expensive than supply. G.L. c. 25, § 21. The Company's proposed Three-Year Plan includes energy efficiency programs for residential, low-income, and commercial and industrial ("C&I") customers. The proposed Three-Year Plan also incorporates the Company's Residential Conservation Service filing pursuant to G.L. c. 164, App. § 2-7(h).

The Company's proposed budget for its Three-Year Plan is \$242,372,856 (i.e., \$71,902,762 in 2022, \$81,105,842 in 2023, and \$89,364,253 in 2024) and includes a performance incentive. If the Company's Three-Year Plan is approved as proposed, the Company states that customers could experience the following bill impacts:

Friday, December 3, 2021. To the extent a person or entity wishes to submit comments in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed below, is sufficient.

Any person who desires to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene with the Department. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 CMR 1.03. The following persons/entities who desire to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene with the Department not later than the close of business on **Tuesday, November 2, 2021**: (1) voting and non-voting members of the Council; (2) any entity whose interests are represented on the Council; (3) any person/entity that has participated in the Council process; and (4) any person/entity that was previously granted intervention as a full party or limited participant in a three-year energy efficiency plan proceeding. All other persons/entities who desire to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene with the Department not later than the close of business on **Monday, November 15, 2021**. Receipt by the Department, not mailing, constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 CMR 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 CMR 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10. All responses to petitions to intervene must be filed by the close of business on the second business day after the petition to intervene was filed.

Ordinarily, all parties would follow Sections B.1 and B.4 of the Department's Standard Ground Rules (D.P.U. 15-184-A, App. 1 (March 4, 2020)) regarding the filing of documents. However, at this time, all filings will be submitted to the Department only in electronic format, consistent with the Department's June 15, 2021 Memorandum addressing continued modified filing requirements. Until further notice, parties must retain the original paper version of the filing and the Department will later determine when the paper version must be filed with the Department Secretary.

All comments or petitions to intervene must be submitted to the Department in **.pdf format** by e-mail attachment to dpu.efiling@mass.gov and jeffrey.leupold@mass.gov. In addition, all comments or petitions to intervene should be submitted to the Company's attorney, John K. Habib, Esq., by email attachment to jhabib@keeganwerlin.com. The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 21-125); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic file name should identify the document but should not exceed 50 characters in length. Importantly, all large files submitted must be broken down into electronic files that **do not exceed 20 MB**.

At this time, a paper copy of the filing will not be available for public viewing at the Company's offices or the Department. The filing and other documents submitted in electronic format will be posted as soon as practicable at on the Department's website