

July 15, 2020

By ePUC

Ms. Judith Whitney, Clerk
Vermont Public Utility Commission
112 State Street, Drawer 20
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

Re: Case No. 17-2813-PET – GMP Panton Battery Storage Project
Motion for Non-Substantial Change Determination

Dear Ms. Whitney:

CPG Holder Green Mountain Power (“GMP”) hereby submits this Non-Substantial Change filing to the Commission for review and approval of minor changes to the Panton Battery Project in order to facilitate the potential for the Project to island portions of the Town of Panton during outages. Adding islanding/microgrid capability to the Project was envisioned and discussed as part of the initial Section 248 Petition and GMP now seeks to implement this change, which involves the installation of limited additional equipment to the existing Project infrastructure. As laid out in the enclosed materials, the addition of this equipment is minor and does not present the potential for substantial impacts to any Section 248 criteria. GMP thus respectfully requests that the Commission issue a determination confirming these changes are non-substantial as soon as possible, so that GMP may proceed with installation during the current construction season. In the alternative, if the Commission determines that these changes are substantial, GMP requests that the Commission issue an amended CPG approving the revised plans.

In addition, the enclosed materials also address GMP’s annual reporting requirement on microgrid development under Condition 8(d)(iv) of the Certificate of Public Good issued for the Project on February 16, 2018.¹

¹ Requiring an annual report that includes “[a] summary of insights or learning that occurred regarding battery operations, market participation, or microgrid development.”

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions.

Sincerely,



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Counsel for Green Mountain Power

cc: Service List (via ePUC)

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Motion for Non-Substantial Change Determination & Microgrid Evaluation Report
Affidavit of Kirk Shields
Affidavit of Paul Nadeau
Affidavit of Greg Dixon
Affidavit of Mark Kane
Attachment 1 – Revised Site Plan
Attachment 2 – Letter of Support from the Town of Panton