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IN RE: REVIEW OF LUMA’S MODEL BILL

CASE NO. NEPR-MI-2021-0008

SUBJECT: Request to Reschedule Virtual Technical Conference Scheduled for July 20, 2021 Due to Conflict with Other Proceedings before the Energy Bureau

REQUEST TO RESCHEDULE VIRTUAL TECHNICAL CONFERENCE SCHEDULED FOR JULY 20, 2021 DUE TO CONFLICT WITH OTHER PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE ENERGY BUREAU

TO THE HONORABLE PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU:

COME NOW LUMA Energy, LLC (“ManagementCo”)¹, and LUMA Energy ServCo, LLC (“ServCo”)², (jointly referred to as “LUMA”), and respectfully submit and request the following:

1. On March 30, 2021, LUMA filed before this honorable Puerto Rico Energy Bureau (“Energy Bureau”), a “Petition for Approval of LUMA’s Model Bill” (“Model Bill Petition”). The Model Bill Petition was accompanied by Model Bills in the English and Spanish languages, *Exhibit 1* (“Proposed Model Bill”); an Excel spreadsheet that details the charges that will be included in the customer bills per class based on the different rates as approved by the Bureau and following PREPA’s Book of Tariffs, *Exhibit 2*; and a document that illustrates the design changes made to PREPA’s current bill. *Exhibit 3*.

2. On May 5, 2021, this Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order initiating the captioned proceeding and setting a procedural calendar scheduling a Technical Conference for

¹ Register No. 439372.

² Register No. 439373.

May 12, 2021 and requiring LUMA to file its presentation for this Technical Conference two days prior to such Technical Conference.

3. On May 7, 2021, LUMA requested this Energy Bureau to re-schedule the procedures in this case to consider LUMA's Model Bill Petition during the first weeks of June 2021.

4. By Resolution of May 7, 2021, this Energy Bureau approved LUMA's request for re-scheduling of the procedures and issued an amended procedural calendar scheduling a virtual Technical Conference for July 12, 2021 and requiring LUMA to file its presentation for the virtual Technical Conference by June 21, 2021.

5. On June 17, 2021, LUMA requested this Energy Bureau to set aside the procedural calendar for the instant case and schedule a Technical Workshop for the Energy Bureau to consider a proposal by LUMA to present a proposed interim bill that would enter into effect prior to the Proposed Model Bill.

6. On June 21, 2021, this Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order determining that it was not in the public interest to evaluate and approve an interim model bill, but it nevertheless amended the Procedural Calendar for the referenced proceeding. Among other things, the amended Procedural calendar scheduled the Virtual Technical Conference for July 20, 2021.

7. The following day, on June 22, 2021, this Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order in case NEPR-AP-2018-0004, *In Re: The Unbundling of the Assets of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority* (the "Unbundling Case"), amending the Procedural Calendar in that case to among other things, schedule the Evidentiary Hearings in that case for three days, from July 19 to July 21, 2021. As a result, the Virtual Technical Conference in the instant proceeding scheduled

for July 20, 2021, coincides with the date for one of the Evidentiary Hearings in the Unbundling Case.

8. LUMA's key staff involved in the preparation of the Proposed Model Bill and the Model Bill Petition and in the Unbundling Case overlap. Therefore, they will have to participate in both the Virtual Technical Conference in the reference proceeding and the Evidentiary Hearings in the Unbundling Case. Given that these proceedings will both be occurring on July 20, 2021, LUMA, and given the conflicting schedules, LUMA will not be able to comply with the Energy Bureau requests that relevant personnel attend technical conferences and be available to answer questions and address the matters under consideration in each technical hearing.

9. Based on the above, it is respectfully requested that this honorable Energy Bureau reschedule the July 20, 2021 Virtual Technical Conference in the instant proceeding scheduled to the day after the conclusion of the Evidentiary Hearings in the Unbundling Case- that is, July 22, 2021. This will allow all the key LUMA staff involved in the preparation of the Proposed Model Bill and the Model Bill Petition to attend the Virtual Technical Conference. LUMA is requesting this specific date because all such key staff will be available on July 22, 2021. Furthermore, even if the Virtual Technical Conference is moved to the 22nd of July, LUMA understand that it should be feasible to accommodate to the remaining dates in the Procedural Calendar without having to request this Honorable Bureau to consider further changes to subsequent events as currently scheduled in such Procedural Calendar.

WHEREFORE, LUMA respectfully requests that the Energy Bureau **take notice** of the aforementioned and **issue** an order rescheduling the Virtual Conference in the instant case scheduled for July 20, 2021 to July 22, 2021, as proposed in this Motion.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED.

In San Juan, Puerto Rico, this 8th day of July 2021.

I hereby certify that I filed this Petition using the electronic filing system of this Energy Bureau and that I will send an electronic copy of this Motion to the attorneys for PREPA, Joannely Marrero-Cruz, jmarrero@diazvaz.law; and Katuska Bolaños-Lugo, kbolanos@diazvaz.law. Notice will also be sent to the **Office of the Independent Consumer Protection Office**, Lcda. Hannia Rivera Diaz, hrivera@jrsp.pr.gov.



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