

**GOVERNMENT OF PUERTO RICO
PUERTO RICO PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATORY BOARD
PUERTO RICO ENERGY BUREAU**

IN RE: THE DEPLOYMENT OF ELECTRIC
VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE

CASE NO.: NEPR-MI-2021-0013

SUBJECT: Draft Phase I EV Plan and
Revised EV Rate Design

RESOLUTION AND ORDER

I. Introduction and Background

On January 13, 2023, the Energy Bureau of the Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board ("Energy Bureau") issued a Resolution and Order ("January 13 Resolution") regarding the Draft Phase I Electric Vehicle Plan and the Revised Draft for the Electric Vehicle Rate Design Proposal.

On the January 13 Resolution, regarding the proposed EV TOU rate design, the Energy Bureau ordered LUMA Energy Servco, LLC and LUMA Energy, LLC, to file before the Energy Bureau, among others:¹

1. A report every thirty (30) days after the date of notification of the January 13 Resolution, on the progress with data collection and billing to integrate the Interim EV Rate;
2. To issue an RFP inviting any requisite external vendors and partners to submit bids to provide services to LUMA, to the extent necessary to implement the Interim EV TOU Rate in full, no later than February 15, 2023, and;
3. To submit by February 10, 2023, a project schedule that: (i) details each task that LUMA has identified as being important to align with the rollout of the EV TOU Rate, (ii) articulates precisely what other partners, programs, initiatives, etc. must be engaged to proceed with the EV Plan, and when it expects to engage with them, (iii) specifies how LUMA will conduct the RFP for data collection and billing integration methods and costs, and (iv) specifies a timeline for LUMA's cost-benefit analysis as it decides how to implement the requisite enhancements to its IT and billing systems.

On February 9, 2023, LUMA Servco, LLC. ("LUMA") filed a document titled *Motion Requesting Brief Extension to File Project Schedule Required by Resolution and Order of January 13, 2023 and Submitting Progress Report Due by February 13, 2023, and Information on Status of RFP due by February 15, 2023, Respectively, Under Such Resolution* ("February 9 Motion"). Through the February 9 Motion, LUMA indicates that:²

1. LUMA has been diligently working for the preparation of the Progress Schedule with their internal resources and external consultants but given the considerable analysis and coordination required, as well as the degree of detail required to be included in the Project Schedule, some questions of technical nature have arisen. LUMA technical staff have reached out for a consult with the Energy Bureau technical staff and consultants but given the loaded agenda of the Energy Bureau technical staff during the week of February 6, 2023, the technical consult has not been able to be to occur during such week. LUMA respectfully request the Energy Bureau to provide seven (7) additional days, until February 17, 2023, to complete and submit the Project Schedule.

¹ January 13 Resolution, p.11.

² February 9 Motion, pp. 3 – 5.



2. LUMA states that given the Project Schedule has not been finalized, the billing integration efforts are still in the planning stage and the details in the associated necessary tasks have not been defined with the needed precision or finality yet. Consequently, the implementation of the billing integration efforts has not commenced and therefore are no concrete steps to be reported at this time. LUMA anticipates that it will be able to report more concrete progress on this task once it has finalized and commenced to implement the Project Schedule and that will be providing additional comments and requests related to the frequency of this reporting requirement when it submits the Project Schedule.
3. LUMA informs that it has determined it is not necessary for LUMA to issue the Rate Implementation Support RFP. LUMA indicates that as stated by the January 13 Resolution it is required to be issued only "to the extent necessary to implement the Interim EV TOU Rate in full". Instead, LUMA anticipates that implementation of the Interim EV TOU Rate will primarily involve expansion of the scope of its continuous system improvements, including the development of internal codes and procedures and training of personnel to execute these. These other tasks will be set forth in the final Project Schedule.

II. Discussion and Analysis

Upon review of the February 9 Motion, the Energy Bureau **DETERMINES** the following:

1. The Energy Bureau **APPROVES** the request for an additional **seven (7) days**, until **February 17, 2023**, for LUMA to file the Progress Schedule as ordered by the January 13 Resolution.
2. The Energy Bureau **ACKNOWLEDGES** LUMA's statement, about the implementation of the billing integrations, that has not commenced, and therefore there are no concrete steps to be reported at this time, the Energy Bureau **ORDERS** LUMA to present a report commencing on **March 13, 2023**, and every 30 days thereafter with progress on data collection and billing to integrate the Interim EV Rate.
3. LUMA determined that it is not necessary to issue the Rate Implementation Support RFP ("RFP") and anticipates that implementation of the Interim EV TOU Rate will primarily involve expansion of the scope of its continuous system improvements, including the development of internal codes and procedures and training of personnel to execute these. The Energy Bureau requires additional information to evaluate this request. Therefore, the Energy Bureau **ORDERS** LUMA to file on or before **fifteen (15) days**, from the notification of this Resolution, a detailed explanation of its request to not issue the RFP ordered by the Energy Bureau.

III. Conclusion

The Energy Bureau **ORDERS** LUMA to comply with each and every part of Section II of this Resolution and Order.

Be it notified and published.

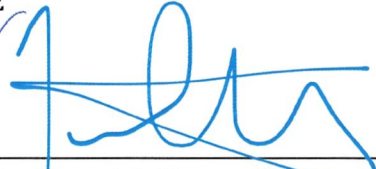




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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the majority of the members of the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau has so agreed on February 14, 2023. I also certify that on February 14, 2023 a copy of this Resolution and Order was notified by electronic mail to the following: laura.rozas@us.dlpiper.com, ana.rodriguerivera@us.dlpiper.com; and have proceeded with the filing of the Resolution and Order issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

For the record, I sign this in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today February 14, 2023.



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Clerk

