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: Motion to Update Timeline to Commence Billing Integrating Interim EV TOU Rate.

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 ("Phase I EV Plan") and the Revised Draft for the Electric Vehicle Rate Design Proposal ("Interim TOU Rate"), ordering LUMA Energy, LLC and LUMA Energy ServCo, LLC (collectively referred as, "LUMA") to file a revised Final Phase I EV Plan by April 30, 2023 and to finish development of and launch the Interim TOU Rate by September 30, 2023.¹ The Energy Bureau also ordered LUMA to report every thirty (30) days on the process with the data collection and billing to integrate Interim EV Tou Rate ("Billing Integration Reports").²

On February 17, 2023, LUMA filed before the Energy Bureau a document titled *Motion Submitting Project Schedule in Compliance with Resolution and Order of January 13, 2023 and Requesting Modification of Certain Deadlines Thereunder* ("February 17 Motion") requesting the modification of certain deadlines and timeframes in the January 13 Resolution, including extending the deadline to begin the billing integrating the Interim EV TOU Rate to the end of November 2023 or sixty (60) days following the date when customer enrollment has reached a minimum threshold number of customers, whichever occurs later.³

On March 29, 2023, the Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order ("March 29 Resolution") approving LUMA's request to modify the deadline for beginning billing integrating the Interim EV TOU Rate until November 30, 2023, or sixty (60) days following the date when customer enrollment has reached a minimum threshold number of customers whichever occurs later.⁴

On May 1, 2023, LUMA filed before the Energy Bureau a document titled *Motion to Submit Final Phase I EV Plan in Compliance with Resolution and Order of January 23, 2023*, which contained the document titled *Puerto Rico's Electric Vehicle Adoption Plan* ("PR-EVAP").

On November 30, 2023, LUMA filed before the Energy Bureau a document titled *Motion Informing Status of Billing Integrating Interim EV TOU Rate Request for Extension of Time to Complete Such Milestone* ("November 30 Motion") requesting the Energy Bureau to extend the deadline for commencement of the billing integrating the Interim TOU Rate until April 2024. Through the November 30 Motion, LUMA summarized its progress in implementing the Interim EV TOU Rate as included in the eight (8) Billing Integration Reports filed before the Energy Bureau.⁵ LUMA explained that the delay in the schedule was related to LUMA having to re-issue its first Request for Quotations due to a low response from potential





¹ January 13 Resolution at pages 9, 10, and 14.

² *Id.*, at page 11.

 $^{^{3}}$ February 17 Motion at pages 5-9.

⁴ March 29 Resolution at page 3.

⁵ LUMA submitted Billing Integration Reports to the Energy Bureau on March 13, 2023; May 12, 2023; June 12, 2023; July 11, 2023; August 10, 2023; September 11, 2023; October 10, 2023; and November 8, 2023.

bidders.⁶ LUMA indicated that it could not move forward with the billing systems integration process until the third-party telematics vendor was selected and onboarding was complete. LUMA stated that once onboarding is complete, the process for integration is estimated to be from 3-6 months depending on the testing and validation with the vendor.⁷

On December 20, 2023, the Energy Bureau issued a Resolution and Order ("Dec 20 Resolution") granting LUMA an extension of the deadline for commencement of the billing integrating the Interim TOU Rate until February 1, 2024, based on a determination that implementation of the EV TOU rate remains a priority and will set the new deadline based on LUMA's 3-month estimate for testing and validation of the billing system.⁸

On January 8, 2024, LUMA filed before the Energy Bureau a document titled *Motion to Submit January 2024 Billing Integration Report in Compliance with Orders of January 13 and February 14, 2023* ("January 8 Motion") informing the Energy Bureau that dates for the building and testing of the Oracle CC&B process to receive the EV TOU data and launch the product processes and monitoring steps were estimated to be March and April 2023, respectively.⁹

On February 1, 2024, LUMA filed before the Energy Bureau a document titled Motion to Update Timeline to Commence Billing Integrating Interim EV TOU Rate ("February 1 Motion") requesting the Energy Bureau to take notice of the timeline for commencement of the billing integrating the Interim TOU Rate by April 2024.¹⁰

II. Discussion and Analysis

Through the February 1 Motion, LUMA reiterates that it will take about 3-6 months after the third-party telematics vendor is onboarded to complete the process of integrating the Interim EV TOU Rate in the LUMA billing system, depending on the testing and validation needing to be conducted by the vendor. LUMA explains that upon further examination and evaluation between LUMA and the selected third-party telematics vendor, it was determined that full billing integration will be achieved closer to the 6 month mark as included within the original 3 to 6 month range, at the earliest. Specifically, LUMA cites the need for additional supplementary design efforts identified after the third-party telematics vendor was onboarded, which will be necessary to provide for seamless integration of the CC&B System and the vendor's technology for incorporating TOU data.

Upon review of the February 1 Motion, the Energy Bureau finds that LUMA continues to make progress towards implementing the Interim TOU Rate and **TAKES NOTICE** of LUMA's timeline for commencement of the billing integrating the Interim TOU Rate by April 30, 2024.

III. Conclusion

The Energy Bureau **EXTENDS** the deadline for commencement of the billing integrating the Interim TOU Rate until April 30, 2024.

Be it notified and published.





⁶ November 30 Motion at para. 11-12.

⁷ *Id.*, at para. 16.

⁸ December 20 Motion at page 3.

⁹ January 8 Motion at Exhibit 1, page 2.

¹⁰ February 1 Motion at page 8.

¹¹ *Id.*, at pages 6-7.

¹² *Id.*, at page 7.

¹³ *Id.*, at page 7-8.

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Sylvia B. Ugarte Araujo Associate Commissioner Antonio Torres Miranda Associate Commissioner

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the majority of the members of the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau have agreed on March 12, 2024. I also certify that on March 12, 2024 a copy of this Resolution and Order was notified by electronic mail to margarita.mercado@us.dlapiper.com; laura.rozas@us.dlapiper.com; julian.angladapagan@us.dlapiper.com; and I have moved forward with filing the Resolution and Order issued by the Puerto Rico Energy Bureau.

I sign this in San Juan, Puerto Rico, today March 1², 2024.

Sonia Seda Gaztambide Clerk

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