

VERMONT PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING RE VERMONT GAS SYSTEMS, INC. 2017 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN

The Vermont Public Utility Commission has scheduled a public hearing before PUC Hearing Officer, Andrea McHugh, for the purpose of allowing the ratepayers of Vermont Gas Systems an opportunity to obtain information and/or comment on Vermont Gas Systems, Inc.'s 2017 Integrated Resource Plan in Case No. 17-3658-PET.

The hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, October 10, 2017, commencing at 7:00 p.m., at the South Burlington High School Auditorium, 550 Dorset Street, South Burlington, Vermont. Prior to the public hearing, at 6:00 P.M., the Vermont Department of Public Service will host a presentation by Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. during which time the utility will describe the Integrated Resource Plan and be available to answer questions. The hearing location is accessible to the handicapped. Any person with a disability who wishes to attend and requires special accommodation should contact the Public Utility Commission ((802) 828-2358) no later than October 6, 2017, if they will need that accommodation.

On July 19, 2017, Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. filed with the Vermont Public Utility Commission a Petition for Approval of its 2017 Integrated Resource Plan ("IRP"). The IRP process is intended to meet the public's need for energy services, after safety concerns are addressed, at the lowest present value life cycle cost, including environmental and economic costs, through a strategy combining investments and expenditures on energy supply, transmission and distribution efficiency and comprehensive energy efficiency programs (30 V.S.A. §218c). The cost and benefit factors to be considered include both direct monetary costs and benefits and indirect impacts such as environmental and other societal effects.

Any interested person may examine the IRP filing on Vermont Gas Systems, Inc.'s website at www.vermontgas.com, or at the Vermont Public Utility Commission, Fourth Floor, People's United Bank Building, 112 State Street, Montpelier, during its normal business hours (weekdays from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.).

If you are unable to attend the public hearing, you may submit written comments via email to puc.clerk@vermont.gov, through the ePUC filing system, or via regular mail sent to Vermont Public Utility Commission, 112 State Street, Montpelier, VT 05620-2701. Please include the case number: 17-3658-PET when submitting written comments.