



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

NOTICE OF FILING AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

D.P.U. 19-136

November 12, 2019

Petition of the towns of Aquinnah, Barnstable, Bourne, Brewster, Chatham, Chilmark, Dennis, Eastham, Edgartown, Falmouth, Harwich, Mashpee, Oak Bluffs, Orleans, Provincetown, Sandwich, Tisbury, Truro, Wellfleet, West Tisbury and Yarmouth, and Dukes County, organized and operating collectively as Cape Light Compact JPE, for approval of its 2020 Energy Efficiency Surcharges for effect January 1, 2020.

On November 1, 2019, the towns of Aquinnah, Barnstable, Bourne, Brewster, Chatham, Chilmark, Dennis, Eastham, Edgartown, Falmouth, Harwich, Mashpee, Oak Bluffs, Orleans, Provincetown, Sandwich, Tisbury, Truro, Wellfleet, West Tisbury and Yarmouth, and Dukes County, organized and operating collectively as Cape Light Compact JPE ("Compact") filed with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") a petition seeking approval of its 2020 energy efficiency surcharges ("EES") for effect January 1, 2020. The Department docketed the Company's petition as D.P.U. 19-136.

Pursuant to G.L. c. 25, § 19(a), an EES collects additional funds for approved energy efficiency programs when the cost of implementing those programs exceeds other funding sources. Through its proposed EES, the Compact seeks to (1) collect costs associated with the implementation of its energy efficiency programs in 2020 (as approved in Cape Light Compact JPE 2010-2021 Three-Year Energy Efficiency Plan, D.P.U. 18-116 (2019)) in excess of other funding sources, and (2) reconcile over- and under-recovery of costs by customer sector from the previous year's program implementation. In addition, through its 2020 EES, the Compact seeks to collect the budget for its proposed residential and commercial and industrial ("C&I") active demand reduction programs. The budget for these programs has not yet been approved by the Department and is currently under review in D.P.U. 18-116.

The Compact proposes the following 2020 EES for effect January 1, 2020:
(1) 2.176 cents per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") for residential customers; (2) 0.168 cents per kWh for low-income residential customers; and (3) 1.222 cents per kWh for C&I customers.

If the Department approves the Compact's 2020 EES as proposed, the average residential customer (R-1) using 516 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly

bill increase of \$0.76, or approximately 0.63 percent. The average low-income residential (R-2) customer using 488 kWh of electricity per month will experience a monthly bill increase of \$0.51 or approximately 0.76 percent. C&I customers will experience increases to monthly bills in the range of 3.0 percent to 7.2 percent. For specific bill impacts, C&I customers should contact the Compact as shown below.

Any person interested in commenting on this matter may submit written comments no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **December 3, 2019**. One original and one copy of all written documents must be filed with Mark D. Marini, Secretary, Department of Public Utilities, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. In addition, one copy of all written comments should be sent to the Compact's counsel, Audrey A. Eidelman, Esq., BCK Law, P.C., 271 Waverley Oaks Road, Suite 203, Waltham, Massachusetts 02452.

All documents should also be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dpu.efiling@mass.gov and the hearing officer, Krista Hawley, krista.hawley@mass.gov, or (2) on a CD-ROM. The text of the e-mail or CD-ROM must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 19-136); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. The electronic file name should identify the document, but should not exceed 50 characters in length. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website (insert docket number 19-136) at: <https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber>.

The Compact's filing is available at the Department's offices, One South Station, 5th Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110, for public inspection during regular business hours and on the Department's website as referenced above. The Compact's filing is also available at its offices, 261 Whites Path, Unit 4, South Yarmouth, Massachusetts 02664. To request materials in accessible formats (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), contact the Department's ADA Coordinator at DPUADACoordinator@mass.gov or (617) 305-3642. Any person desiring further information regarding the Compact's filing should contact its counsel, Audrey A. Eidelman, Esq., at (617) 244-9500. For further information regarding this notice, please contact Krista L. Hawley, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at (617) 305-3500.