

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 20-3588-PET

Petition of Swanton Village, Inc. Electric Department for exemption from standard offer purchases pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(k)(2)(B)	
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Order entered: 01/26/2021

ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTION

In this Order, the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) adopts the following proposal for decision.

PROPOSAL FOR DECISION

On November 24, 2020, the Swanton Village, Inc. Electric Department (“Swanton Electric”) filed a petition for an exemption from purchases under the standard-offer program pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(k)(2)(B). Based on the findings below, I recommend that the Commission find that Swanton Electric satisfies the requirements of Section 8005a(k)(2)(B) and grant Swanton Electric an exemption from purchases during calendar year 2021.

I. PROCEDURAL HISTORY

Swanton Electric filed its petition on November 24, 2020.

On January 8, 2021, the Vermont Department of Public Service (“Department”) filed comments on Swanton Electric’s petition recommending that the exemption be granted.

No other comments were received.

No party has requested an evidentiary hearing or objected to the petition and exhibits. Accordingly, the following documents are admitted as if presented at a hearing: the petition (filed 11/24/20); exhibit 1 (filed 11/24/2020).

II. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION

Pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(k)(2)(B):

A retail electricity provider that was relieved from the requirements of this subdivision by the Commission on or before January 25, 2018, shall be exempt from the requirements of this subdivision in any year that the Standard Offer

Facilitator allocates electricity pursuant to this subdivision if the retail electricity provider meets the following criteria:

- (i) during the immediately preceding 12-month period ending October 31, the amount of renewable energy supplied to the provider by generation owned by or under contract to the provider, regardless of whether the provider owned the energy's environmental attributes, was not less than the amount of energy sold by the provider to its retail customers; and
- (ii) the retail electricity provider owns and retires an amount of 30 V.S.A. § 8005(a)(1) qualified energy environmental attributes that is not less than the provider's retail sales.

Based on the information provided by Swanton Electric in its petition, I present the following proposed findings for the Commission's consideration:

1. Swanton Electric is a retail electricity provider that was relieved from the requirements of 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(k)(2) by the Commission on or before January 25, 2018. Petition at 1.
2. Swanton Electric's retail energy sales were less than the amount of renewable energy under Swanton Electric's ownership for the one-year period ending October 31, 2020. Petition at 2.
3. Swanton Electric owns and retires qualified energy environmental attributes in an amount that is not less than Swanton Electric's retail sales. Petition at 2.

Based on the above findings, I recommend that the Commission find that Swanton Electric satisfies the requirements of Section 8005a(k)(2)(B) and grant Swanton Electric an exemption from purchases during calendar year 2021.

This Proposal for Decision has not been circulated to the parties pursuant to 3 V.S.A. § 811 because it is not adverse to any party.



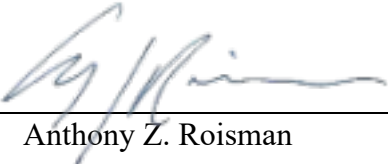
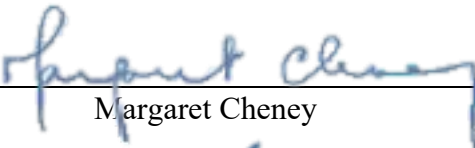

Micah Howe
Hearing Officer

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED by the Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) of the State of Vermont that:

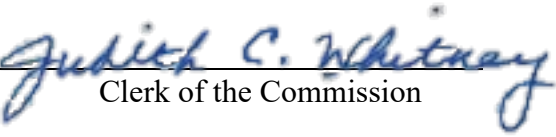
1. The findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Hearing Officer are hereby adopted.
2. The Swanton Village, Inc. Electric Department shall be exempt and wholly relieved from the requirement under 30 V.S.A. § 8005a(k)(2) to accept and pay for its *pro rata* share of electricity purchased by the Standard Offer Facilitator during calendar year 2021.
3. This case is closed.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 26th day of January, 2021.

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Margaret Cheney)	COMMISSION
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Sarah Hofmann)	OF VERMONT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: January 26, 2021

Attest: 
Clerk of the Commission

Notice to Readers: This decision is subject to revision of technical errors. Readers are requested to notify the Clerk of the Commission (by e-mail, telephone, or in writing) of any apparent errors, in order that any necessary corrections may be made. (E-mail address: puc.clerk@vermont.gov)

Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 30 days. Appeal will not stay the effect of this Order, absent further order by this Commission or appropriate action by the Supreme Court of Vermont. Motions for reconsideration or stay, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 28 days of the date of this decision and Order.

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