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VERMONT PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION LAUNCHES WEBSITE TO BOOST ACCESSIBILITY OF CLEAN HEAT PROCEEDINGS

Montpelier, VT – On November 20, 2023, the Vermont Public Utility Commission ("Commission") launched a website to help make the proceedings related to its work on Act 18 of 2023 more accessible. This site, which can be accessed at puc.vermont.gov/clean-heat-standard, will serve as a central location for information and resources related to the potential Clean Heat Standard, which the Commission must deliver to the Legislature in 2025. The Commission intends the website to be a helpful first step for anyone who wishes to understand and contribute to the ongoing rulemaking process. However, the work on the potential Clean Heat Standard will continue to be filed in ePUC, the Commission's online filing and document-management system, which will remain the only channel by which the Commission officially communicates.

The Clean Heat Standard website has quick links to relevant materials, introductory information about the Commission, an easy-to-read log of requests for input and orders issued by the Commission, materials related to the Equity and Technical Advisory Groups and their work, and copies of announcements and press releases. It is important to emphasize that this website is for informational purposes only and does not constitute official positions of the Commission.

"We know that we need input from people and organizations who may not be familiar with our processes and platform," said Anthony Roisman, Chair of the Public Utility Commission. "So to make sure we are designing the best proposed rule, we need to make sure that everyone can understand how we are going about this important work. I hope this site gives everyone who is interested the information and confidence to participate in our Act 18 related cases."

The website will be updated within a few days after an order is issued in either of the Act 18 related cases, 23-2220-RULE and 23-2221-INV. Please be sure to access these cases through ePUC (epuc.vermont.gov) to read orders issued by the Commission and to file comments. In addition, people who want to automatically receive emails when documents are filed or orders are issued in these cases can "subscribe" to the cases in ePUC. Instructions on how to subscribe to a case are available at https://puc.vermont.gov/epuc-information/subscribe-case.

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