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Center for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Technologies (CEERT) respectfully move to make an oral argument before a quorum of the Commission on the issues to be addressed in the Proposed Decision and Final Decision that have been scheduled for early to mid-March 2021 and March to April 2021, respectively, in R.20-11-003 (Extreme Weather).¹ This Motion is timely filed and served pursuant to Rules 11.1 and 13.13(b) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Rule 13.13(b) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure specifies as follows:

“(b) In ratesetting and quasi-legislative proceedings, a party has the right to make an oral argument before the Commission, provided that the party makes such request by motion no later than the time for filing opening briefs or, if opening briefs are not permitted by the scoping memo, within the time and in the manner specified in the scoping memo or later ruling in the proceeding. A quorum of the Commission shall be present; however, a Commissioner may be present by teleconference to the extent permitted by the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.”

The Assigned Commissioner’s Scoping Memo and Ruling, issued in R.20-11-003 (Extreme Weather) on December 21, 2020 (Scoping Memo), ruled as follows: (1) “The category of this proceeding is ratesetting” and (2) “[t]he schedule of this proceeding” is set forth in the Scoping Memo.² The schedule adopted in the Scoping Memo set “the

¹ Assigned Commissioner’s Scoping Memo and Ruling (December 21, 2020), at pp. 6, 10.

² Scoping Memo, at p. 10; *see also*, pp. 5-7.

time for filing opening briefs” (Rule 13.13(b)) as today, February 5, 2021.³ In compliance with that schedule, CEERT has today filed CEERT’s Opening Brief addressing the “legal and policy issues” identified as being within the scope of this proceeding by the Scoping Memo.⁴ The schedule adopted by the Scoping Memo also set the time for a Proposed Decision and Final Decision on these issues as early to mid-March 2021 and March to April 2021, respectively

In compliance with Rule 13.13(b), CEERT timely moves for oral argument in this proceeding where the two criteria for doing so have been met: (1) R.20-11-003 is categorized as “ratesetting,” and (2) CEERT’s motion for oral argument is filed today “at the time for filing opening briefs” (February 5, 2021). CEERT, therefore, has the right to make an oral argument in this matter before a quorum of the Commission and move for oral argument to be scheduled prior to the issuance of any final decision in this proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,

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³ Scoping Memo, at p. 6.

⁴ *Id.*, at pp. 1-4, 6, 10.