

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Proceeding on Motion of the Commission Regarding Electric
Vehicle Supply Equipment and Infrastructure

Case 18-E-0138

**PETITION OF ORANGE AND ROCKLAND UTILITIES, INC.
TO MODIFY THE ORDER APPROVING
MANAGED CHARGING PROGRAMS**

Dated: January 4, 2024

I. INTRODUCTION

Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (“Orange and Rockland” or the “Company”) petitions the New York State Public Service Commission (“Commission”) for an order modifying the Order Approving Managed Charging Programs with Modifications, issued July 14, 2022, in the above-referenced proceeding (“July 2022 Order”), authorizing Orange and Rockland’s Managed Charging Program to offer the revised incentives as discussed below.

II. BACKGROUND

In the July 2022 Order, the Commission approved Orange and Rockland’s Managed Charging Program for Mass Market Customers (“Managed Charging Program”). The Company initially filed a proposal on December 4, 2020. The Company’s Managed Charging Program is a passive managed charging effort to influence the behavior of mass market customers to encourage off-peak electric vehicle (“EV”) charging. This will allow the Company to optimize the electric grid by shifting EV related electric consumption to lower demand periods. The Managed Charging Program is aimed at developing and encouraging mass market customers’ off-peak charging behavior. The Managed Charging Program will rely on influencing customer EV charging behavior through price-based management techniques – such as offering incentives – to motivate EV owners and operators to charge their EVs during off-peak periods. The July 2022 Order (p. 20) summarized the Company’s proposal to provide participants in the Managed Charging Program will receive \$5.00 per month for active participation (*i.e.*, keeping the hardware plugged in, or software turned on), \$0.10 per kWh of charging during off-peak hours, and a total \$80 incentive for summer peak avoidance (*i.e.*, \$20/month for June through September). Appendix C of the July 2022 Order approved a Participation Incentives Budget for

the Company for the period 2023 through 2025 in the amount of \$8,254,921 (“Total Participation Budget”).

III. REQUESTED RELIEF

The Company proposes to revise the incentives paid to participants in the Managed Charging Program as follows:

- Eliminate the \$5.00 per month incentive for active participation;
- Increase the summer peak avoidance incentive from \$80 (\$20/month) to \$140 (\$35/month); and
- Decrease the off-peak incentive from \$0.10 per kWh to \$0.07 per kWh.

The first two proposed revisions do not change a participant’s total potential monthly incentives (*i.e.*, \$140 in both instances), just the way the Company pays out such incentives. These proposed revisions encourage EV charging at times that avoid the summer peak while developing beneficial charging behavior, all for the benefit of the electricity grid.

The Company is reducing the off-peak incentive from \$0.10 per kWh to \$0.07 per kWh in conformance with the Commission’s requirement for a cost-based framework that is tied to the difference between the Company’s Service Classification No. 19 off-peak Time-of-Use and Service Classification No. 1 Residential rates. The revised incentive was developed using the load shape of an average single family home in O&R’s service territory. These proposed revisions will not affect the Estimated Managed Charging Program Participation Incentives Budget as set forth in Appendix C of the July 2022 Order, which will remain the same. The Estimated Managed Charging Program Participation Incentive Budget for O&R in Appendix C was developed based on these revisions to the Company’s proposal filed in December 2020.

The Company has included these revisions in the Managed Charging Implementation Plan that it filed with the Commission on December 28, 2022 (“2022 MCIP”). The Company has discussed these proposed revisions to the Managed Charging Program’s incentive levels with DPS Staff and they have no objections to these revisions.

The Company will continue to administer the Managed Charging program as filed in its MCIP, as discussed with DPS Staff, until the Commission acts on this Petition.

CONCLUSION

Orange and Rockland respectfully requests that the Commission modify the July 14, 2022 Order to authorize Orange and Rockland's Managed Charging Program to offer the revised off-peak incentives and summer peak avoidance incentives as discussed above.

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