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VCE Community Advisory Committee Meeting – September 25, 2025

Item 6 – Large Electric Load Policy



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Item 6 – Large Load Service – Review

August 28, 2025:

CAC and staff discussed the rationale for establishing a large load policy:

- VCE does not currently have a new large load policy
- Provide guidance to new customers and VCE staff
- Allow flexibility beyond standard tariff service
- Greater ability to address new customer needs
- Set terms and condition within a Power Sales Contract (PSC)
- PSCs to be approved by the Board

September 25, 2025:

- Further discussion
- Attain CAC recommendation for Board consideration in October

Item 6 – Large Load Service – 8/28/25 CAC

8/28/25 Topics Discussed Included:

- Impacts likely f(load size, characteristics)
 - Is \geq 2MW proper threshold
- Cost of Serving New Load
 - May or may not be $>$ existing Average Cost
- PSC Need and Development Specific to each new large load
 - Variable PSC negotiation timeline based on complexity, size, risk, customer needs, and completion of interconnection facilities
- Could new load impact state/local power supply resources availability and price.
- May help dilute Administrative & General Costs (fixed staff and overhead expenses)
- Affect on financial reserves
- Impact on RA/RPS compliance and power portfolio composition
- Are large loads “good” or “bad”?
- Spinoff Impacts (traffic, jobs, water usage, etc). VCE to focus on electricity particulars
- Risk of non performance
- Staff perspective on proposed Policy
 - Allows flexibility
 - Address Risk
 - Set Credit support parameters
 - Integrate customer gen resources
 - May allow customer market access
 - Provides guidance

Item 6 – Large Load Service – Draft Policy

Why Establish Policy

- No Current Policy
- Evaluate/Address Operational/Financial Risk Impacts
- Evaluate/Address Cost/Rate Impacts
- Evaluate/Address Resource Portfolio Impacts
- Reduce Uncertainty / Be Prepared / Provide Flexibility

Draft Policy – Principles

- Load Threshold: 2MW/20,000MWh
- Advance Notice to VCE
- Conduct Impact Study
 - Estimated Costs
 - Existing Rates
 - Renewables/Generation
 - Financial Risk
 - Credit Implications
- Recover Service Cost
- Contribute to A&G
- Policy Compliance
- Credit Assurance
- Tariff or Power Sales Contract
- EROC Review
- Board Approval

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Tentative Schedule

- August 2025 – 1st CAC Introduction / Receive CAC feedback
- September 2025 - 2nd further CAC Discussion
- October 2025 – Board Consideration

Summary

Staff is seeking recommendation from the CAC to advance the proposed Large Electric Load Customer Service Policy for Board consideration at the October 2025 VCE Board Meeting.