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## STATE OF VERMONT GENERAL ASSEMBLY JOINT ENERGY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2016, 8:00a.m. BGS conf. room, 133 State St.

Members Present: Sens. Bray, Lyons, and MacDonald; Reps Klein, Chestnut-Tangerman, Sullivan,

and Van Wyck

**Staff Present:** Aaron Adler, Legislative Counsel

Agatha Kessler, Committee Assistant

Witnesses Present: Jon Copans, Deputy Commissioner, Dept. of Public Service

Asa Hopkins, Director, Planning and Energy Resources, Dept. of Public Service

Chair Rep. Klein convened the meeting.

On motion of Rep. Sullivan, the committee unanimously approved the minutes of its meeting of Oct. 16, 2015.

The committee heard testimony from Messrs. Copans and Hopkins on the Department's response dated January 8, 2016 to questions sent by the committee dated November 12, 2015. The document is in the form of a memorandum from Mr. Copans to Rep. Klein and Sen. Bray entitled "Response to Joint Energy Committee Questions Regarding Energy Efficiency Investments." The witnesses also answered questions from the committee about the information in the document.

The committee discussed the Department's response, its charge, and next steps. On motion of Rep. Sullivan, the committee unanimously voted to offer an opportunity for the public to submit written comments by a date certain. Staff will issue a press release and post information on the legislative web page concerning the opportunity. The period for comments will be approximately two weeks, with the deadline prior to the committee's next meeting.

The committee will meet again on February 3, 2016 at 8 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Adler, Committee Counsel