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Rep. Stephen Carr, Chair House Energy & Technology Committee State of Vermont, House of Representatives 115 State St. Montpelier, VT 05633-5301

Dear Chairman Carr and members of the Committee,

The Department of Public Service appreciates the opportunity to provide comment on H. 501, "An act relating to electricity storage on the Vermont grid." The Department supports the language in in the most recent version of H. 501 (draft 5.1, dated 4/6/17). We look forward to engaging stakeholders over the summer and fall to study energy storage opportunities and barriers and to providing the Committee with a summary of our findings in November.

The Department is also grateful for the attention the Committee has given to this timely topic, and for the Committee's consideration of our feedback on H. 501 as it has evolved over the last several weeks. We look forward to continued engagement on the subject next session.

Sincerely,

Riley Allen, Deputy Commissioner

