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Re: New Lighting Levels for Schools

To Whom It May Concern:

Schools in the Bennington-Rutland Supervisory Union participated in Efficiency Vermont's Relight Project last year. The project was very successful. Through the use of a professional lighting designer, Matt Kiley, our schools were able to implement new lighting technologies throughout our buildings to save money and to improve the quality of our lighting.

An area of particular success was the implementation of the new and lower lighting standards in classroom areas. We were able to drop lighting levels in many of our classroom spaces to meet the new standard of 20 fc. Both students and teachers have remarked on how much more pleasant the classrooms are with the lower lighting levels.

In short, I support the implementation of the new lighting standards in Vermont schools through either regulation or statute. The new standards provide us a means to save money and to improve the quality of our facilities for students and teachers. Please contact me if I can provide any additional support in this effort.

Sincerely,

Daniel M. French
Superintendent of Schools