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TO: The Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy

The House Committee on Natural Resources and Energy

The Senate Committee on Finance

The House Committee on Ways and Means

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SUBJECT: 2013 Annual Report on Bill-Backs Authorized Under 30 VSA 21

In accordance with 30 VSA, subsection 21(e), the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources is required to report annually the total amount of expenses allocated under section 21.

For calendar year 2013, the Agency of Natural Resources ("Agency") allocated \$13,528.27 in costs and expenses to North Springfield Sustainable Energy Project, LLC ("NSSEP") in connection with the Agency's review of NSSEP's Petition for a Certificate of Public Good before the Public Service Board.

Staff from the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation incurred these costs and expenses from January 1, 2013 through May 16, 2013 for activities including by not limited to research, preparation of discovery, response to discovery, review of testimony, and preparation of testimony related to forestry, climate change, and wood fuel harvesting and procurement in connection with NSSEP's petition for a CPG.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions regarding this report.

