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Thanks for the opportunity to testify to House Natural Resources and Energy today. I do want to offer one clarification of a statement that I made: I said that the Board is "required by law" to follow the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure. In fact, we're required by law to establish rules of practice for our decision-making practice -- and to meet this obligation, the Board has adopted the Vermont Rules of Civil Procedure, with some minor modifications and exceptions.

The Board is also required by law to conduct contested cases such as Section 248 proceedings subject to the requirements of the Vermont Administrative Procedures Act. (3 V.S.A. 801(2) and 810).

Thank you again,  
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