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Susan M. Hudson, Clerk Vermont Public Service Board 112 State Street - Drawer 20 Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

Re: Docket No. 8167 – Joint Agency Filing

Dear Mrs. Hudson:

This filing responds to the Public Service Board's Order of September 3, 2014, on behalf of the Department of Public Service (DPS) and the Vermont Department of Health (VDH) (together, the Agencies). The Board's Order sought information regarding the practices of other jurisdictions on several topics. The Agencies have sought to collect and provide such information, as well as a recommendation from VDH regarding a proposed analytical framework for addressing public health issues in proceedings under 30 V.S.A. § 248.

The documents provided with this filing are as follows:

- (1) a memorandum prepared by the Consumer Affairs & Public Information Division of the DPS regarding complaint resolution (with attachments);
- (2) a report prepared by Aercoustics Engineering Ltd. regarding pre-construction sound modeling and post-construction sound monitoring;
- (3) a report prepared by Intrinsik Environmental Sciences Inc. and Aercoustics Engineering regarding sound standards; and
- (4) a memorandum prepared by VDH proposing a framework for analysis of potential human health effects of utility projects.

The Board and participants should note that the Agencies have endeavored to provide a broad range of information, which includes recommendations from our consultants. This is intended to be as informative and helpful as possible, but should <u>not</u> be taken as indicative of the Agencies' positions with respect to any specific project or proposal. Positions on specific projects have and will be taken in the context of dockets opened to review such projects.



Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let me know if any additional information would be helpful.

Sincerely, Geoffrey Commons Director for Public Advocacy

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