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Subject: S 337 language

Good morning Chair Cummings,

As described in testimony on S 337 last week, the Department has one proposed change to the bill (see language below) that is intended to ensure that appropriate state agencies (in particular Agency of Transportation) are consulted prior to proposal of a plan, and that plans are coordinated with/not duplicative of efforts of the State. As requested, I've copied Mr. Martland here.

The language has been shared with Efficiency Vermont and distribution utilities that have been participating in the process, I've heard no objections.

VTrans is on the schedule to testify tomorrow, and can speak to this change.

Best,

TJ

The proposed language adds (b)(5):

- (b) Programs, measures, and services authorized pursuant to subsection (a) of this section shall:
 - (1) Reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the thermal energy or transportation sectors, or both.
 - (2) Have a nexus with electricity usage.
 - (3)Be additive and complementary to and shall not replace or be in competition with electric utility energy transformation projects pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 8005(a)(3) such that they result in the largest possible greenhouse gas emissions reductions in a cost-effective manner.
 - (4) Be delivered on a statewide basis. However, if any of these funds are used for services specific to a retail electricity provider, the funds used for services to each retail electricity provider shall be in proportion to the energy efficiency charge collected in that territory.
 - (5) Be proposed after consultation with the Agency of Transportation,

 Department of Public Service, Agency of Natural Resources, Buildings and

 General Services, and the Agency of Commerce and Community Development,
 and not be duplicative or in competition with programs delivered by those
 entities.

Thanks,

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