

## Memorandum

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To: Jude Newman, Committee Assistant, Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Energy  
Jack Locker, Committee Assistant, House Committee on Energy and Digital Infrastructure

From: Niels Rinehart, FPR Lands Administration & Historic Resources Coordinator

Date: January 23, 2025

Re: **Annual Report – Income from Electronic Communication Sites - FY2024**

Pursuant to 10 V.S.A. § 2609a, attached is a report of the income generated from leases and licenses at electronic communication sites on Agency of Natural Resources land.

The Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation manages electronic communication sites on State Forest and State Park land including Coolidge State Forest (Killington Peak), Darling State Park (Burke Mt.), two at Ascutney State Park (North Peak and South Peak), Mt. Philo State Park, Molly Stark State Park (Mt. Olga), Mt. Mansfield State Forest, and Okemo State Forest. FPR also manages the Department of Fish & Wildlife's installation at the Ed Weed Fish Hatchery in Grand Isle.

The attached report shows total income for each site since FY2015. Please note that the income generated from the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation's leases and licenses at these communication sites is split equally between this department and the Department of Public Safety in accordance with our September 2000 Memorandum of Agreement.

Please note that payments from six license holders were not received within the period covered by this report. The fees from these licenses will be reported in next year's report.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions. Thank you.

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cc: Governor Phil Scott

Julie Moore, ANR Secretary

Denise Reilly-Hughes, Secretary and CIO of the Agency of Digital Services

Jennifer Morrison, Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety

Kerrick Johnson, Commissioner of the Department of Public Service

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Department of Libraries

Danielle Fitzko, FPR Commissioner

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Becca Washburn, FPR Lands Administration & Recreation Director

**FY24 Report on Income from Mountaintop Commiunication Site**

Entity	Location	FY15	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20	FY21	FY22	FY23	FY24
Lamoille County Sherriff	Mt. Mansfield SF	\$1,553	\$1,556	\$1,568	\$1,568	\$1,641	\$1,671	\$1,687	\$1,779	\$1,860	\$1,920
Customs & Border Patrol	Coolidge SF	\$3,100	\$3,100	\$3,100	\$3,100	\$3,100	\$3,100	\$775	\$3,100	\$3,100 <sup>a</sup>	
FBI	Coolidge SF	\$914	\$914	\$933	\$941	\$941	\$0	\$0	\$985	\$1,002 <sup>a</sup>	
Northeast FM Repeater	Coolidge SF	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$0	\$50 <sup>a</sup>	
Pamal	Coolidge SF	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500	\$10,500 <sup>a</sup>	
Vermont Public Television	Coolidge SF	\$2,354	\$2,334	\$2,352	\$2,352	\$2,462	\$2,506	\$2,531	\$2,668	\$2,790	\$2,880
Vermont Railway	Coolidge SF	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
VTel	Coolidge SF	\$0	\$12,166	\$12,498	\$13,219	\$15,641	\$14,902	\$15,349	\$11,886	\$16,283 <sup>a</sup>	
National Grid	Darling SP	\$2,328	\$2,334	\$2,352	\$2,352	\$2,462	\$2,506	\$2,531	\$2,668	\$2,790	\$2,880
Northeast FM Repeater	Darling SP	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$25	\$0	\$50 <sup>a</sup>	
Vermont Public Television	Darling SP	\$8,370	\$25,153	\$23,415	\$32,188	\$31,305	\$31,305	\$32,750	\$33,925	\$38,276	\$39,501
VELCO	Okemo SF	\$9,600	\$11,290	\$10,805	\$11,129	\$11,463	\$11,087	\$24,687	\$0	\$13,289	\$13,687
National Grid	Molly Stark	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500
Vermont Public Television	Ascutney SP	\$12,182	\$20,206	\$28,591	\$32,188	\$32,617	\$33,205	\$33,537	\$35,348	\$32,323	\$33,358
WPTZ/ECA	Ascutney SP	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$5,000
Verizon	Ed Weed FCS	\$6,814	\$7,011	\$7,201	\$6,448	\$6,641	\$6,841	\$7,046	\$7,257	\$7,475	\$7,699
Vermont Railway	Mt. Philo SP	\$913	\$933	\$941	\$941	\$985	\$1,002	\$1,012	\$1,067	\$1,012	\$1,152
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$65,178</b>	<b>\$104,047</b>	<b>\$110,806</b>	<b>\$123,475</b>	<b>\$126,308</b>	<b>\$125,173</b>	<b>\$138,955</b>	<b>\$117,681</b>	<b>\$137,302</b>	<b>\$109,577</b>

*Summary of Revenue by State Department*

Forests, Parks, and Recreation	\$29,182	\$48,518	\$51,803	\$58,514	\$59,833	\$59,166	\$65,955	\$55,212	\$64,914	\$50,939
Department of Public Service	\$29,182	\$48,518	\$51,803	\$58,514	\$59,833	\$59,166	\$65,955	\$55,212	\$64,914	\$50,939
Fish & Wildlife (Ed Weed FCS)	\$6,814	\$7,011	\$7,201	\$6,448	\$6,641	\$6,841	\$7,046	\$7,257	\$7,475	\$7,699
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<sup>a</sup> Payments for FY2024 were not received within the period covered by this report. These payments will be reflected in next year's report.