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Members of the Vermont General Assembly
115 State Street
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Re: Act 179 Report on Recommendations for a Group Net Metering Successor Program Pursuant to Section 8 of Act 179 of 2024

Dear Senators and Representatives:

I am pleased to submit the Department's report making recommendations for a group net metering successor program, prepared pursuant to Section 8 of Act 179 of 2024. The report provides four recommendations for a successor program, context for how those recommendations were developed, and supporting information. In addition, the report reviews current programs utilities have to serve income-eligible customers, progress affordable housers have made connecting projects with solar resources, and current funding opportunities for solar and other energy-related projects benefiting affordable housing and customers with low-income.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss this report, please do not hesitate to contact me or TJ Poor, Director of Regulated Planning.

Very truly yours,

Signed by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kerrick Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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Kerrick Johnson

Commissioner
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