

**STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Case No. _____

Petition of Vermont Transco LLC and Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. (collectively, "VELCO"), for a Certificate of Public Good pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248(j) authorizing upgrades to VELCO's existing Irasburg Substation, located in Irasburg, Vermont	
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VELCO'S MOTION FOR PERMISSION TO UTILIZE ALTERNATIVE METHODS TO COMPLETE SERVICE

Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. and Vermont Transco LLC (together "VELCO") respectfully requests that the Public Utility Commission (the "Commission") permit it to utilize alternative methods for completing service of the Petition filing as detailed below. VELCO views this request as consistent with the objectives of the Commission's Rule 2.500 on COVID-19 Emergency Procedures. In further support of this request, VELCO states the following:

1. Once the Petition packet is deemed complete by the Commission, the petitioner is required to serve copies of the Petition filing on the Town of Irasburg Planning Commission and Selectboard, and the Regional Planning Commission.
2. Typically, service is completed by mailing the complete petition packet to these above-listed entities. However, Commission Rule 2.204(B) provides that "service may also be made by personal delivery *or by any other means authorized by the person entitled to service.*"
3. Undersigned counsel has contacted the Town of Irasburg Selectboard, Town of Irasburg Planning Commission, and the Executive Director of the Northeastern Vermont Development Association to request permission to serve these entities by email, and all have consented to service of the Petition filing via email.

4. Because this is a filing under Section 248(j), VELCO is not required to provide a notice letter to the adjoining landowners. Instead, a list of the adjoining landowners is provided to the Commission and the Commission provides notice. However, to make sure that adjoining landowners do have options for accessing the Petition filing materials without going to the Town Offices, VELCO does intend to send a letter to adjoining landowners once the Petition filing is deemed complete.

5. A copy of the draft landowner letter will be filed with the Commission with VELCO's Petition filing. This letter will include directions on how to access the Petition filing various ways, along with links to Commission guidance available on the Commission website.

For the above-stated reasons, VELCO respectfully requests that the Commission allow it to serve the respective Town officials and Regional Planning Commission with copies of the Petition via email.

Dated at Burlington, Vermont, this 18th day of November 2020.

VERMONT ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, INC.
AND VERMONT TRANSCO LLC

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