STATE OF VERMONT PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 24-3723-PET

Petition of Vermont Transco LLC and
Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. for a
certificate of public good, pursuant to 30
V.S.A. § 248, for the replacement and removal
of structures on the VELCO K24-5 Line in
Waterbury, Vermont

Entered: 04/03/2025

CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC GOOD ("CPG") ISSUED PURSUANT TO 30 V.S.A. § 248

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the Vermont Public Utility Commission ("Commission") this day found and adjudged that the site preparation, construction, operation, and maintenance of the replacement of Structure LCP-020 and removal of temporary Structures LCP-020 and LCP-021 on the VELCO K24-5 Duxbury Tap-Stowe Line in Waterbury, Vermont (the "Project"), by Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. and Vermont Transco LLC ("CPG Holder"), in accordance with the evidence and plans submitted in this proceeding, will promote the general good of the State, subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Site preparation, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project must be in accordance with the plans and evidence submitted in this proceeding. Any material deviation from these plans or a substantial change to the Project must be approved by the Commission. Failure to obtain advance approval from the Commission for a material deviation from the approved plans or a substantial change to the Project may result in the assessment of a penalty pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 30 and 247.
- 2. Before beginning site preparation, construction, operation, or maintenance of the Project, the CPG Holder must obtain all other necessary permits and approvals. Site preparation, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Project must be in accordance with such permits and approvals, and with all other applicable regulations, including those of the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources ("ANR").
- 3. Except for construction activities that must be performed during any required transmission outages that may be needed to maintain system reliability, construction must take

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place between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. Monday through Friday, and between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. on Saturdays. Except for construction activities that must be performed during any required transmission outages that may be needed to maintain system reliability, no construction may take place on Sundays, federal holidays, and state holidays except for Bennington Battle Day in August.

- 4. The CPG Holder must remove the facilities authorized by this CPG once they are no longer in service and must restore the site to its condition before installation of the facility to the greatest extent practicable.
- 5. The CPG Holder must fully implement the final aesthetic mitigation plan (Exh. RCJ-6, Appendix A) as soon as reasonably possible, and in no case more than 90 days following the completion of construction, unless such timing would require implementation between October 15 and April 15, in which case the plan must be fully implemented within 30 days following April 15.
- 6. Within 30 days following the full implementation of the final aesthetic mitigation plan, the CPG Holder must submit to the Commission and all parties in this proceeding a certification that all work has been fully implemented in a manner consistent with the approved plan. This certification must include the completion of construction date, as well as the date of interconnection, and must be supported by an affidavit and dated photographs of the installed mitigation measures. If construction of the facility components and/or aesthetic mitigation has deviated from the design of the facility as approved, the CPG Holder must also file for Commission review and approval of a revised final mitigation plan. Submission of a revised final mitigation plan will not relieve the CPG Holder from its obligation to request an amendment to the CPG for a substantial change.
- 7. For a period of three years, the CPG Holder must conduct an annual inspection of the facility to determine the health, vigor, and continued effectiveness of the mitigation. The CPG Holder must file with the Commission and parties an annual certification documenting the results of the inspection and any corrective actions taken. Certifications required under this paragraph must be submitted by the dates one, two, and three years following the submission of the certification of completion required by Paragraph 6, above.

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8. The CPG Holder must maintain mitigation measures contained in the final aesthetic mitigation plan or revised final aesthetic mitigation plan for the life of the facility as those measures are depicted on the plan.

- 9. In accordance with Commission Rule 5.805(C), the Commission may conduct further process as needed to ensure compliance with the final aesthetic mitigation plan or revised final aesthetic mitigation plan.
- 10. Before beginning site preparation, the CPG Holder must file with the Commission, the parties, and the Town of Waterbury a letter stating that it has fulfilled all pre-site preparation CPG conditions, and that it intends to begin site preparation for the Project.
- 11. The CPG Holder must pay all invoices (if any) from any State agency that (a) are related to this proceeding and (b) are not still under review by the Commission.
 - 12. This CPG may not be transferred without prior approval of the Commission.
- 13. Before beginning site preparation or construction of the Project, the CPG Holder must obtain coverage under a Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation Wetland Permit.

 All Project work must be performed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Wetland Permit.
- 14. The CPG Holder must allow ANR, through its authorized representatives, to enter upon and inspect the Project area upon reasonable notice, in a reasonable manner, and at reasonable times during ordinary business hours to determine compliance with the above conditions.

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Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 3rd day of April, 2025	·
Margaret Cheney	PUBLIC UTILITY
	COMMISSION
J. Riley Allen	OF VERMONT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

April 3, 2025 Filed:

Clerk of the Commission

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