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State of Vermont
Public Service Board

MEMORANDUM

To: Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. and Vermont Transco LLC ("VELCO")

CC: Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department"); Vermont Agency of Natural Resources; Vermont Electric Companies; Vermont System Planning Committee ("VSPC"); Vermont Public Power Supply Authority ("VPPSA"); and Vermont Energy Investment Corporation ("VEIC")

From: Susan M. Hudson, Clerk of the Board 

Re: Workshop to Discuss Critical Energy Infrastructure Information ("CEII")

Date: September 24, 2010

On September 14, 2010, VELCO submitted a request with the Board to convene a workshop to discuss the identification, protection, and handling of CEII. The Department, VSPC, VPPSA, VEIC, and many of the Vermont electric companies joined in this request.

In VELCO's letter requesting the CEII workshop, VELCO stated that "[p]arties' proceedings have already faced the negative consequences of not having an explicit process for handling CEII in matters before the Board." Board staff presume that VELCO's statement refers to the *Joint Petition of Central Vermont Public Service Corporation and VELCO*, Dockets 7596/7597, Order of 8/20/10, which is available for review at <http://psb.vermont.gov/sites/psb/files/orders/2010/7596and7597Final.pdf>.

Any comments on the agenda proposed by VELCO in the attached letter must be filed by **October 7, 2010**. Board staff intend to conduct the requested workshop on **Thursday, October 28, 2010 commencing at 1:00 P.M.**, at the Public Service Board Hearing Room, Third Floor, Chittenden Bank Building, 112 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont, and Board staff plan to distribute a final agenda for the October 28 workshop by **October 15, 2010**.

In addition, Board staff request that VELCO file a summary of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's regulations and procedures for CEII and materials outlining VELCO's workshop presentation by **October 25, 2010**.