

**Comments of Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.
2009 Vermont Transmission System Plan**

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IV	Much of VEC's Essex County load is not electrically connected to Vermont. It is served by Hydro-Quebec or Public Service Company of New Hampshire.
IV & 74	By how many years does moving the VEC block load at Newport to VELCO advance the need to make transmission system improvements?
VIII	The description of the upgrades required at St. Johnsbury is misleading, as it contains both localized and bulk system deficiencies. The capacitor bank described later in the report on Page 38 for St. Johnsbury is for a bulk system problem (loss of K-60), for which all Vermont DU's should be identified as Affected DU's, not just CVPS, Lyndonville, and VEC.
VIII	The capacitor bank recommendation for Newport should state that it is for the 115 kV system.
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