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March 20, 2013

Business Manager
Vermont Public Service Board
4th Floor
112 State St.
Montpelier, VT 05602-2701

RE: Consideration For Electric System Planning Committee

Dear Business Manager,

I would like to be considered for a public member planning committee position. I feel I have the qualifications, interest, and commitment to serve in this capacity and would be honored to do so if chosen.

I have lived in Vermont my whole adult life after graduating from UVM with an electrical engineering degree. I have been practicing consulting engineering ever since my graduation, working with various engineering companies until 2001 when I started my own consulting engineering practice in Williston, VT. Over the years I have worked with many architects, construction management teams, building owners, and developers providing engineered electrical infrastructure designs for bidding and construction. I feel I am well versed in the various challenges in implementing cost effective, and environmentally sensitive design solutions to electrical system implementation. I have always been a proponent for using alternative methods for power generation and distribution that can minimize environmental impact while providing for the needs of the user base. I have no direct affiliation with any power producer or manufacturer and constantly need to evaluate new and better possibilities for electrical system use, generation, and distribution with my day-to-day business projects. I feel I can be effectively objective in evaluating proposed methods and materials for the long term implementation of Vermont's electrical infrastructure.

As for committee assignment, I would be willing to serve in any of the three sub-groups; however, my expertise and familiarity with the commercial and industrial group may lend a better fit for that group or with the environmental protection group as I have always kept up with the various technological offerings of alternative power production and each methods pros and cons. I am well aware of the fact that EVERY method of power production has its consequences environmentally. The greatest challenge we face as Vermonters and as a species on this planet, is what will be the best long-term, sustainable methods to meet our energy appetite while minimizing the environmental degradation that will occur while producing the power.

If you require more detail in my background I can send along a resume or meet with the committee for an interview. I have served on the Westford planning commission in the past and am now again available to serve in the public's capacity. I wish you the best in finding the most effective public members able to serve on the planning committee.

Sincerely Interested,

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March 19, 2013

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**Re: Public members of the Vermont System Planning Committee
Nomination & Letter of Interest**

Dear Vermont Public Service Board Members:

I would like to nominate Johanna Miller, an advocate on staff with the Vermont Natural Resources Council (VNRC), to be appointed the public member of the Vermont System Planning Committee (VSPC) to represent environmental interests. Ms. Miller has been involved in a variety of matters regarding energy and electricity in Vermont and is currently serving on the VSPC. VNRC has been active for many years on a range of energy matters. I have worked with Ms. Miller as an advocate on matters before the Vermont Legislature and am confident she will continue to ably represent environmental interests on the VSPC.

Also, I would like to express my own interest in being appointed to serve as an alternate public member of the Vermont System Planning Committee (VSPC) to represent environmental interests. I am a Senior Attorney with Conservation Law Foundation (CLF). I have been active in representing environmental interests on behalf of CLF members in many matters before the Vermont Public Service Board, including representing CLF as a party in PSB Docket #7081, the proceeding that created the VSPC. I am interested in serving as an alternate public member to assist the VSPC in its efforts to ensure that non transmission alternatives will be considered on equal footing with transmission alternatives in meeting Vermont's capacity needs.

Sincerely,

Sandra Levine

cc: Johanna Miller

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Ms. Susan Hudson, Clerk
Vermont Public Service Board
112 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05602

RE: Serving as public member representing an environmental organization on the VSPC

Dear Ms. Hudson:

I am writing to express my interest in being re-appointed by the Public Service Board to serve as a public member of the Vermont System Planning Committee, specifically as the person appointed to articulate the interests of environmental protection. I am a staff member of the Vermont Natural Resources Council.

VNRC is a 50-year-old statewide environmental organization that works to protect Vermont's natural resources and strengthen the state's economy by promoting well-researched, reasoned solutions and building broad-based coalitions to advance those solutions. VNRC is also the Vermont affiliate of the National Wildlife Federation.

As the Energy Program Director at VNRC, I work closely with diverse organizations, local officials, and citizens across Vermont to empower them to get involved in important energy, climate change, land use and community development issues. One of the key arenas in which VNRC focuses its energy-related work is by coordinating the Vermont Energy and Climate Action Network — the network of over 100 community energy committees focused on developing and advancing local solutions to energy issues. The mission of VECAN, which VNRC and several other organizations founded six years ago, is to start and support town energy committees in their on-the-ground efforts to help realize a more efficient, clean, renewable energy future for Vermont.

My service on the Vermont System Planning Committee can continue to help provide a strong linkage to Vermont's environmental community and foster better connections between the work of the VSPC and the over 100 Vermont community energy committees.

Please let me know if the Board requires other information to evaluate my request for re-appointment, and thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Johanna Miller". The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Johanna Miller, *Energy Program Director*
Vermont Natural Resources Council

Cc: Deena Frankel, Vermont System Planning Committee
James Volz, Chair, Vermont Public Service Board

Hervey Scudder

Brenda Chamberlin, Business Manager
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March 22, 2013

Dear Ms. Chamberlin:

In his letter of March 12, designating me to serve, on an interim basis, as the primary public member of the Vermont System Planning Committee ("VSPC"), Chairman Volz also said I was welcome to submit additional information about my willingness and interest in serving on the VSPC for a full five-year term. I ask that the following be considered in making the selection of the primary public member for the full term position.

When VELCO was scheduling an Open House series on its Long Range Transmission Plan, I saw this as an opportunity to engage interested parties in southern Vermont in reviewing the LRTP. In collaboration with our regional planning organizations, VELCO arranged an Open House at Mount Snow. VELCO staff observed that they learn a great deal from public participation in these reviews.

The goal of our Committee is to ensure full, fair and timely consideration of cost-effective non-transmission alternatives to address Vermont electric system needs. One strategy for maintaining reliability is with the creation of local microgrids. To convey their potential to achieve reliability on a cost-effective basis, I arranged for a presentation to the VSPC of their potential by an executive from Northern Reliability.

In addition to attendance at the full VSPC quarterly meetings, I have also participated in the work of its subcommittees.

To assist me in making a well informed contribution to VSPC deliberations, I subscribe to the following journals and online resources.

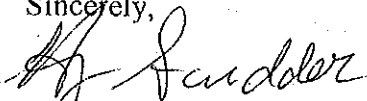
*Cogeneration & On-Site Power
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Distributed Energy
Electric Light & Power
EnergyBiz
Intelligent Utility
Power Engineering
Power Grid International
Scientific American*

*Technology Review (MIT)
Transmission & Distribution World
Vermont Business Magazine*

ENewsletters and reports
Renewable Energy World
Washington Energy Report
Rocky Mountain Institute

I look forward to learning of the Board's choice of the public member on the VSPC.

Sincerely,


Hervey Scudder

cc: Deena Frankel, VELCO

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RE: Public Members for Electric System Planning Committee

Dear Madam or Sir:

I am responding to your ad in Seven Days. I am a Green Mountain Electric customer and prior to that a customer of Vermont Electric Coop. As such, I would like to represent electric residential consumers. My qualifications to represent that group are as follows:

I have a BA in Political Science from University of Maine Orono, an MBA in Management (including six credits in accounting: Financial Accounting and Managerial Accounting & Finance) from Seton Hall University. For my MBA, I took a course in Business Law. I also had courses in Constitutional Law and Administrative Law during my undergraduate Political Science studies. Also during my undergraduate studies, I took three semesters of calculus as well as Physics and Chemistry courses. I am a Novell Certified Network Engineer with a broad range of computer experience spanning mainframe, mini, and microcomputers going back to the 1970's. As far as business situations are concerned, I have worked two years in banking, ten years in health insurance, for a non-profit, for a reseller or middleman company dealing in infant products, for a Point of Sale software firm writing cash register type of programs for small retail operations, for a system integrator company having many Fortune 500 companies as clients, for a contractor with the Federal Government, and in a Doctor's Office.

When it comes to public contact experience, I was the former Vice President of the Parsippany, NJ Chapter of the Network Professional Association and former Director of the Middlesex/Union County Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving. I manned MADD's booth at public events, was instrumental in donating PAS flashlights to local Police Departments, and was thought well enough to be sent to two national meetings in Atlanta and Dallas respectively. In 2010, I did a three month assignment as an enumerator for the US Census Bureau interviewing residents of Franklin County, Vermont.

My reasons for wanting to serve on the VSPC are as follows:

Human civilization is facing a ticking time bomb: the rapid depletion of resources on this planet. Jeremy Grantham, Co-founder and Chief Investment Strategist of Grantham Mayo Van Otterloo appeared on the Charlie Rose Show on March 11, 2013. On that show, he talked about a "solar battery of stored energy" in the form of hydrocarbons. Mr. Grantham stated that mankind started to tap into that battery around 1800 with utilization of coal. He furthermore stated that the hydrocarbon battery has a life expectancy of 250 years which means that we will run out of that stored energy source around 2050. That doesn't give us human beings much to time to start directly using the sun's energy.

Back in the 1970's, I read an article in the National Geographic claiming that sunlight falling on the State of Connecticut could supply America with half of our nation's energy needs. Back in sixth grade, I had done a report of the Interstate Highway System. From that material as well as from other sources, I roughly calculated that we Americans had paved over half the area of Connecticut for highway use. I sent a letter to ERDA; the predecessor of the Federal Department of Energy, suggesting that we turn our nation's highways into a solar energy grid embedding solar collectors into the highways. If we used an aqua system, we could purify polluted waters through solar distillation before using the steam to produce electricity. The aqua system could be an aqueduct system to transport water from the areas of the country having too much water to drought stricken areas of the country. At the time America was experiencing a recession, so I suggested that this would be perfect infrastructure make work project to put Americans back to work. Sound familiar with today's economic arguments? After 9/11, I thought that while we are tearing up the highways to put in solar collectors why not lay the transmissions lines under the highways as well prevent terrorist sabotage on the above ground lines. At any rate, all I received was a bureaucratic BS answer from ERDA. I bring my idea up to point out that we Americans are going to need to do innovative thinking in order to solve our energy problem.

I reckon that from the end user's stand point most of our energy in the future will come from electricity. How we will generate that electricity is another question that will most definitely need addressing. Transmission lines though will be the key to our energy future. This is my reason then for wanting to serve on the VSPC.

Thank you for your time and attention to my application. Hopefully, I will be hearing favorably from you in the very near future.

Sincerely,
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Dear Business Manger,

The purpose of this letter is to apply for one of the public positions on the Vermont System Planning Committee. The Vermont Leadership Institute (Snelling) made me aware of this position. I would seek to represent the public in this role.

For the last seven years, I read, met and thought about electrical energy generation and distribution in Vermont. The challenges around sourcing such as Vermont Yankee, wind projects and Hydro Quebec as well as the problems of electric energy transmission have been of great interest to me. To this end, I have participated in many public presentations by VELCO. I am fully aware that any electrical energy source has its problems and challenges including biomass, natural gas transmission as well as hydro and nuclear.

In addition, increasing the use of electricity to supply power to automobiles and to homes through heat pumps is very familiar to me. Personally, we explored a heat pump at our home but found the cost to high. My wife and I founded a local group Vermont Energy Conservancy, in order to pursue conservation initiatives in our region.

Besides going to VELCO meetings, I was active in our local energy committee and explored the use of LED lighting in the street lights of our town through extensive discussions with CVPS. While very interested in electrical energy, I am also concerned that a balance be achieved in meeting our electricity needs while being mindful of the effects on the environment and the people effected by projects that create or distribute energy.

My formal education in Chemical Engineering and my MBA also give me a strong academic background to use in evaluating energy issues. My resume, including non-profit leadership experience, is attached for your review.

Many thanks for considering my application,

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VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

VERMONT HUMANITIES COUNCIL - *Board Chair* 2009-Present

The Council is the state arm of the National Endowment for Humanities. Over 1,000 programs are presented annually in order to increase literacy, promote lifelong learning and increase public involvement in the governmental process. Principal challenge is seeking funds to make up for ongoing reductions in Federal government support.

MOUNTAIN VALLEY MEDICAL CLINIC – *Treasurer* 2010 - Present

This small medical clinic located in Southern Vermont has three providers and a sixteen person staff dedicated to meeting the basic health needs of the surrounding rural community. Principal challenges are: 1) funding expenses to cover income shortfalls due to a commitment to serve all patients without regard to ability to pay and 2) keeping up with changes in the Federal/State health care rules and procedures.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS – *Trustee* 2006-2013

Three trustees manage funds left by individuals to the care of the Town of Londonderry, Vermont. Currently, \$5 million are managed for the benefit of the cemeteries, the library, the streetlights and the emergency service providers in the town. Principal challenge is to create enough annual income to meet needs of beneficiaries,

VERMONT ENERGY CONSERVANCY—*Founder/President* 2007-Present

The mission of this organization is to under the working of the electric generation, transmission and distribution industries and state energy planning so as to promote the best mix of energy generation sources and distribution within the context of low cost, reliability, safety and concern for the public good.

STRATTON FOUNDATION – *President/Board Member* 2003 - 2010

Stratton Foundation is a non-profit community foundation dedicated to supporting the health, education, and artistic needs of sixteen southern Vermont towns by raising funds through Stratton based events and distributing funds through the issuance of grants. Recent activities have focused on those people severely impacted by Tropical Storm Irene.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

SMITH BARNEY/CITIBANK 2000-2002
GLOBAL HEALTH SCIENCES COORDINATOR / MANAGING DIRECTOR
NEW YORK, NY

Assessed global equity investment opportunities in health sciences including biotechnology, medical technology, pharmaceuticals and health care and presented them to portfolio managers of large investment and advisory firms. Managed 20 global analysts, produced sector reports, increased Smith Barney's global ranking as measured by the Global Industrial Investor poll.

SMITH BARNEY – 1984-1999
MAJOR CHEMICALS AND AGRICULTURAL EQUITY ANALYST
NEW YORK, NY

Provided thorough industry and financial background on major chemical, seed and fertilizer companies and made buy / sell recommendations through the creation of detailed financial models projecting future balance sheets and income statements. Was a member of the prestigious Institutional Investor US Team for ten years and the Global Institutional Investor Team for two years. Twice selected as a top chemical industry analyst for the Wall Street Journal All Star Analyst Poll.

EDUCATION

VERMONT LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE 2011-2012
Snelling Center at UVM. Graduate of nine month educational program for Vermont Leaders with focus on: 1) Increasing self understanding, 2) Learning, Developing and Adopting proven techniques for leadership and 3) connecting with leaders in Vermont Government and non-profit organizations.

WHARTON SCHOOL of the University of Pennsylvania – MBA, Finance and Industrial Marketing. Joseph Wharton Scholar

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA – BS, Chemical Engineering. The university is consistently ranked at or near the top of US schools of Chemical Engineering.

CARLETON COLLEGE—Chemistry. This well regarded Liberal Arts college provided a sound two year foundation in humanities and arts as well as science prior to my specialization at the University of Minnesota.

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March 16, 2013

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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is my letter of interest to serve on the VT System Planning Committee.

Group to Represent: Residential Consumers

Qualifications:

- *Board of Directors, VT Electric Co-op, Johnson, VT (2010 – present) – my district includes most of Essex and parts of Orleans & Caledonia Counties;*
- *U.S. Selective Service Board, Essex County (2005 – present)*
- *Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP), Newport, VT (2004 – present) – coordinate volunteer activities in Orleans & Essex Counties;*
- *University of Maine, Presque Isle (1972 – 1976)*
- *U.S. Border Patrol, Chief Patrol Agent, Grand Forks, ND (1964 – 1991)*
- *U.S. Marine Corps, Camp Lejeune, NC (1958 – 1962)*
- *Born in Derby, VT and raised in Island Pond, VT*

Reasons for wanting to serve:

- As a VEC Director, I'm accustomed to representing members and have earned the designation of Credentialed Cooperative Director (CCD);
- Ensure that consumers are fully aware of state energy policies;
- Allow consumers input into Vermont's energy policies;
- Ensure that renewable energy policies are enacted in an accountable manner;
- Keep the lights on at cost-effective rates;
- Ensure that state electric utilities coordinate activities;
- Learn the type of assistance taxpayers get from energy entities.

Sincerely yours,

Donald J. Worth