



June 9, 2008

TO: Those Persons Whose Names Appear on the Attached Service List

**RE: REDUCTION IN SCOPE: Gorge Area Reinforcement Project
Certificate of Public Good – Section 248 Permit Process
45-Day Notice of Project Filing**

In a letter sent on May 16, 2008, known as the "45-Day Notice," Vermont Electric Power Company, Inc. ("VELCO") and Green Mountain Power Corporation ("Green Mountain Power" or "GMP") notified you that we anticipate filing a Petition for a Certificate of Public Good ("CPG") with the Vermont Public Service Board on June 30, 2008. We are writing to inform you of a reduction in the Project's scope. We originally indicated that we proposed to:

- install a new VELCO 115/34.5 kV Gorge substation and a new Green Mountain Power Gorge 34.5 kV substation in the City of South Burlington (see Attachment A in 45-Day Notice);
- expand the existing Green Mountain Power 34.5 kV Colchester substation (see Attachment B in 45-Day Notice);
- reconstruct approximately 700 feet of Green Mountain Power's existing 3307/3308 34.5 kV line between the new GMP Gorge 34.5 kV substation in South Burlington (Lime Kiln Substation) and the existing Gorge GMP substation in Colchester (see Attachment C1 in 45-Day Notice); and
- reconductor approximately 2.3 miles of the Green Mountain Power 3307 overhead 34.5 kV line located between the existing GMP Gorge Colchester substation and the McNeil Generation Station located in the City of Burlington (see Attachments C1 & C2 in 45-Day Notice).

We further explained that the upgrades will allow for the removal of approximately 4.2 miles of GMP 34.5 kV lines located between the McNeil substation in the City of Burlington and the GMP Queen City substation located in South Burlington which run along the Burlington waterfront (see Attachment D in 45-Day Notice).

Further planning analysis has shown that it is not necessary at this point to reconductor all 2.3 miles of the Green Mountain Power 3307 overhead line between the existing Green Mountain Power Gorge substation in Colchester and the McNeil Station. Instead, Green Mountain Power will be pursuing a separate CPG for rebuilding that portion of the original 2.3 mile reconstruction project (approximately 0.5 miles) that includes a 34.5 kV distribution underbuild between the existing Green Mountain Power Gorge substation in Colchester and the Winooski Falls development in the City of Winooski. That work will no longer be part of the Gorge Area Reinforcement Project. The proposed removal of Green Mountain Power's lines at the

Burlington waterfront will still be part of the Gorge Area Reinforcement Project and will not be affected by this change.

Eliminating the reconductoring of 2.3 miles of the Green Mountain Power 3307 line will dramatically reduce the impact of the overhead line work to be done in connection with the Gorge Area Reinforcement Project and we are pleased to be able to tell you about this positive development.

If you are interested in a presentation on this Project, or have comments or request further information, please contact Jerry Ostrander, the Project Manager for the Gorge Reinforcement Project, at 802-770-6491, or jostrander@velco.com. , You can also contact Josh Castonguay, GMP Project Manager at 802-655-8754.

Thank you for your participation in this process.

Sincerely,



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**GORGE AREA REINFORCEMENT PROJECT 45 DAY LETTER
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