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Re: DE 11-201, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, et al
Petition for Approval of Stock Acquisition, Transfer of Franchise and Commencement
of Business as a Public Utility
Request for Stay

To the Parties:

On November 1, 2011, counsel for Petitioners filed a letter expressing the Petitioners' assent to a "stay," or continued processing, of the matters considered in the instant docket, beyond any applicable 60-day limit specified by RSA 369:8, II (b). Petitioners note that Petitioners' responses to Staff's data requests dated October 20, 2011 were still pending as of the date of the letter, and that the proposed transaction remained under review by Vermont and federal agencies. Staff concurs that additional review of the Petitioners' proposal is required.

The Commission will treat the Petitioners' request for a stay as, in effect, a proposed waiver of the deadlines that may otherwise apply pursuant to RSA 369:8, II (b). *See, e.g., Unitil Corporation and Northern Utilities, Inc.*, Order No. 24,860 (June 3, 2008), and *Iberdrola, S.A., et. al.*, Order No. 24,788 (September 21, 2007). The Commission has determined that granting a waiver of the timing provisions of RSA 369:8, II (b), to the extent required for continued review of the proposed transaction, is in the public interest and will not disrupt the orderly and efficient resolution of matters before the Commission. Accordingly, such proposed waiver is granted and the Commission will permit continued review of the proposed transaction, including any additional discovery that Staff requires for its review, beyond November 9, 2011.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Debra A. Howland".

Debra A. Howland
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