

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 8585

Investigation into Meteorological Tower at 700 Kidder Hill Road in Irasburg, Vermont	
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Order entered: 07/24/2018

PROCEDURAL ORDER RE: SCHEDULE

On July 20, 2018, I conducted a status conference in this proceeding to determine the next steps to be taken following my denial of cross-motions for summary judgment filed by the Department of Public Service (“Department”) and the respondent, Mr. Blittersdorf, by order issued June 22, 2018.

During the status conference, counsel for the Department recommended that this matter be stayed until a decision in a similar case is handed down by the Vermont Supreme Court,¹ opining that the decision in that case could impact the outcome of the current proceeding. The Department recommended that the parties and Commission assess the needs of this case at that time, stating that a stay in this case should not be prejudicial to any of the parties.

The Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, the Town of Irasburg, and Mr. Blittersdorf all concurred with the Department’s recommendation.

I agree with the parties that staying this proceeding until the Vermont Supreme Court issues its decision in the appeal of Docket 8561 could result in efficiencies in this investigation, both for the parties and the Public Utility Commission (“Commission”). In the event additional process is needed in this case after that decision is issued, any schedule will take into account the process that has already occurred to date in this matter.

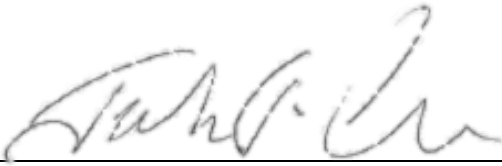
Based on the agreement and recommendation of the parties, this proceeding is hereby stayed pending a decision by the Vermont Supreme Court in Case No. 2018-120, the appeal of Commission Docket 8561. Within 14 days of the issuance of the final decision in Vermont Supreme Court Case No. 2018-120, the parties shall file recommendations on next steps in this

¹ On March 26, 2018, the respondent in Docket 8561, Mr. Travis Belisle, filed a Notice of Appeal of the Public Utility Commission’s February 22, 2018, order in that docket. The Vermont Supreme Court has docketed that appeal as Case No. 2018-120.

investigation, including if necessary, proposed schedules for moving this matter to its conclusion.

SO ORDERED.

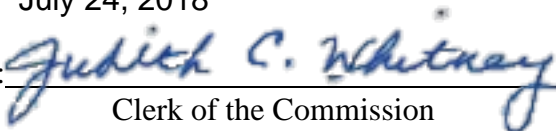
Dated at Montpelier, Vermont this 24th day of July, 2018.



John J. Cotter, Esq.
Hearing Officer

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: July 24, 2018

Attest: 
Clerk of the Commission

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