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Vermont Public Utility Commission
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Montpelier, VT 054602

To Whom it May Concern:

As the Executive Director of Franklin County Industrial Development Corporation (FCIDC) we were one of the first Regional Development Corporations (RDC) in Vermont to utilize Efficiency Vermont (EV) to retain and recruit businesses. By bring EV to the table we were able to utilize their services to assist the businesses to improve their bottom line. EV has proven to be a valuable tool for economic development professionals.

When FCIDC meets with a business and EV, our focus is to reduce electrical costs in addition to load reduction thereby reducing demand charges. FCIDC has found the current EV leadership to be very open to discussions with our organization on how they may better assist communities and businesses.

I also service as Mayor of St. Albans and look forward to educating our citizens regarding the home weatherization programs in an effort to save heating dollars and reducing carbon emissions. In the past I have expressed my concern about the growth of the EV budget especially during the recession of 2008 and 2009 but in recent years it has been a pleasure to work with leadership to stabilize the budget and in some instances advocate for a reduction.

As Executive Director of FCIDC and the Mayor of St. Albans City, I soundly support the work Efficiency Vermont does in the State of Vermont. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

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