

**STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Case No. 24-2797-PET

Petition of Vermont Renewable Gas, LLC for a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248, to construct and operate a 2.2 MW electric generation facility in Lyndon, Vermont	
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**VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE RESPONSE TO
INTERVENORS' MOTION FOR SCHEDULE**

On March 16, 2025, Steve Dolgin, Ernest and Madeline Hastings, John Ling, and Mark Simakaski (collectively “Intervenors”) filed a motion requesting that a schedule be set in this matter. The schedule proposed by Vermont Renewable Gas, LLC (“VRG”) on January 23 would require non-petitioner testimony to be filed by March 31. The Intervenors’ motion withdraws support for that proposed schedule and requests a new schedule, including a site visit and public hearing. The Intervenors also request a new intervention deadline.

The Department has no objection to a site visit and public hearing in this case, both of which can be scheduled at the Commission’s convenience as the review moves forward. At this stage, however, the Department does not agree that a new intervention deadline would be appropriate. On October 29, 2025, a year after this case was moved from the § 248(j) process to a full 248 proceeding,¹ the Hearing Officer held a scheduling conference where the parties discussed the schedule that had been proposed by VRG and the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. All parties had an opportunity to provide input, and the Hearing Officer adopted a schedule which included a new intervention deadline of November 17, 2025: over two weeks after the scheduling conference and about a year after the initial intervention deadline in 2024.²

¹ *Petition of Vermont Renewable Gas*, Case No. 24-2797-PET, Order of 11/7/24 at 1.

² *Petition of Vermont Renewable Gas*, Case No. 24-2797PET, Scheduling Order of 10/30/25 at 1.

The parties followed that schedule through the first discovery phase, and in January VRG proposed that the remainder of the schedule be pushed back to accommodate discussions with state agency parties. Those deadlines are now upon us, and the Department understands that VRG is proposing a further extension of the remaining deadlines by approximately 5 weeks, to provide additional time for supplemental prefiled testimony and party review. Given that there have already been two intervention deadlines approximately a year apart, and the parties are already well into the litigation schedule set in October of 2025, the Department suggests that the schedule should continue moving forward with testimony, discovery, and any evidentiary hearing.

DATED at Montpelier, Vermont this 30th day of March, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

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