

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 24-2945-PET

Petition of VT Real Estate Holdings 2 LLC for a certificate of public good, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 248, authorizing the installation and operation of a 20 MW solar electric generation facility in Fair Haven, Vermont	
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**RESPONSE OF THE VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE
TO MOTION FOR NON-SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE DETERMINATION**

On July 23, 2026, VT Real Estate Holdings 2 LLC (“Petitioner”) filed a motion with the Vermont Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) requesting a determination that certain changes to its proposed 20 MW solar facility in Fair Haven, Vermont (“Project”) are non-substantial (“Motion”). Per Commission rule 5.413, the Vermont Department of Public Service (“Department”) has reviewed Petitioner’s Motion and concludes that the changes proposed do not have the potential for a significant impact on 30 V.S.A. § 248(b) criteria subject to the Department’s review or the public good of the project per 30 V.S.A. § 248(a).

The proposed change would reroute the Project’s proposed underground electrical line (“UGL”), connecting the Project to its point of interconnection beyond its perimeter fence, from an off-road alignment through a wooded and wetland area to a route that is largely within the existing right of way (“ROW”) of Airport Road and Munger Road. In relocating the UGL to the ROW, a standard electrical industry practice, the change would not negatively affect the Project’s impact on the stability or reliability of the electrical system (§ 248(b)(3), public health and safety (§ 248(b)(5), or the general good. The Department does not anticipate the proposed change having an impact on the other § 248(b) criteria subject to Department review. The Department defers to the Agency of Natural Resources on the impact of the proposed change on

natural environment pursuant to § 248(b)(5).

Based on the foregoing, and Petitioner's continued compliance with Condition 19 of its certificate of public good requiring Petitioner's compliance with Dig Safe, the Department respectfully recommends that the Commission issue an order granting Petitioner's Motion, finding that the proposed change is a non-substantial change.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont this 6th Day of August 2026.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

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