

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 18-3231-PET

Petition of the Department of Public Service)
for an Investigation into the Service Quality)
Provided by Telephone Operating Company)
of Vermont, Inc. d/b/a Consolidated)
Communications, Inc.)

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE RESPONSE TO CONSOLIDATED
MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF PROTECTIVE AGREEMENT**

On January 30, 2019, Telephone Operating Company of Vermont, LLC d/b/a Consolidated Communications (“Consolidated”) filed (1) a Motion for Approval of Protective Agreement (“Motion”); and (2) a Protective Agreement with the Public Utility Commission (“Commission”). On February 1, 2019, the Commission issued a Memorandum requesting that the Department of Public Service (“Department”) file comments regarding the Motion.

The Department has reviewed the Motion and the Protective Agreement and has no objection to either filing. Furthermore, as a signatory to the Protective Agreement, the Department has stipulated to the terms and conditions contained therein.

DATED at Montpelier, Vermont this 8th day of February, 2019.

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE

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