

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 20-0703-PET

Vermont Legal Aid request for  
moratorium on utility and  
telecommunications shutoffs during  
State of Emergency

WASHINGTON ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.'S COMMENTS

By Order dated April 16, 2020, the Commission requested comments on potentially extending the temporary moratorium on involuntary utility service disconnections from April 30, 2020 to May 31, 2020.

Washington Electric Coop (WEC) supports extension of the moratorium through May 31, 2020. WEC recognizes that during these unprecedented times the pandemic is creating financial hardship for many of its members, including the inability to pay bills. WEC wishes to do what it can to assure its members' safety and wellbeing and to lessen the distress caused by the inability to pay an electric bill.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

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