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Public Utility Commission, Anthony Z. Roisman, Chair.
c/ o Judith Whitney
Clerk of the Commission
112 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

**Re: Case No. 20-0703-PET; Request for Comments on Extending the Temporary
Moratorium on Involuntary Utility Service Disconnections**

Dear Chairman Roisman:

Pursuant to the Commission's Order dated April 16, 2020, Vermont Legal Aid, Inc. submits this comment in support of the Commission's proposed Extension of the Temporary Moratorium put in place on March 18 and March 27, 2020. We believe the proposed extension to May 31, 2020 is necessary in light of the continuing unprecedented public health concerns posed by COVID-19 and Governor Scott's extension of the state of emergency at least until May 15, 2020. We also appreciate the efforts of the service providers who already have stepped forward in support of the proposed extension.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts to address this matter and protect the health of all Vermonters.

Sincerely,

W. David Koeninger / bws

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