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VERMONT PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
People's United Bank Building, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
112 State Street  
Montpelier, VT 05620-2701

Re: Docket No. 20-0703-PET - Vermont Legal Aid request for moratorium on  
Utility and telecommunications shutoffs during State of Emergency

Dear Commission:

On May 15, 2020 the Public Utility Commission ("Commission") issued its *Order Requesting Comments on Another Extension of the Temporary Moratorium on Involuntary Utility Service Disconnections* seeking comments on potentially extending the temporary moratorium through July 31, 2020. While we are hopeful that the current state of emergency will be over well before that date, we believe the July 31 date is appropriate and would provide an additional level of relief to customers during this pandemic. VGS supports a Commission order to that effect.

We appreciate the Commission's focus on this critical matter.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eileen Simollardes', written in a cursive style.

Eileen Simollardes  
Vice President Regulatory Affairs