

STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7970

Petition of Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. for a)
certificate of public good, pursuant to)
30 V.S.A. § 248, authorizing the construction of)
the "Addison Natural Gas Project" consisting of)
approximately 43 miles of new natural gas)
transmission pipeline in Chittenden and)
Addison Counties, approximately 5 miles of)
new distribution mainlines in Addison County,)
together with three new gate stations in)
Williston, New Haven and Middlebury,)
Vermont)

Order entered: 7/28/2016

PROCEDURAL ORDER ESTABLISHING A RESPONSE DEADLINE

On July 8, 2016, Kristin Lyons filed a petition with the Vermont Public Service Board ("Board") for an investigation and an order to show cause as to (1) why Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. (the "Company") should not cease construction on the Addison Natural Gas Project authorized in Docket 7970, and (2) why the Company should not be held in contempt and subjected to sanctions for alleged past and present violations of the Final Order in this docket issued on December 23, 2013. Ms. Lyons's petition alleges that the Company violated certain wetland and endangered species permit requirements.

On July 28, 2016, Ms. Lyons moved that the Board consider another alleged violation of the Final Order when making its determination regarding her petition. Ms. Lyons's motion alleges that on July 18, 2016, the Company committed an additional violation of an endangered species takings permit by damaging threatened plant species during pipeline construction in Monkton, Vermont.

The Board hereby establishes a deadline of no later than close of business on August 5, 2016, for the parties to file responses to Ms. Lyons’s motion to supplement the petition for a show cause order.

SO ORDERED.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 28th day of July, 2016.

<u>s/James Volz</u>)	
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<u>s/Margaret Cheney</u>)	PUBLIC SERVICE
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<u>s/Sarah Hofmann</u>)	OF VERMONT

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

FILED: July 28, 2016

ATTEST: s/Holly R. Anderson
Deputy Clerk of the Board

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