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From: jm waterman <jmwinvt@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 11, 2018 5:12 PM
To: PUC - Clerk
Subject: Public safety

Dear Public Utility Commissioners,

The NOPV (18-0395-PET) filed by the Department of Public Service, addresses only a small fraction of the issues concerning the VGS pipeline which require attention; it discounts the relevance and importance of those issues where pipeline safety is concerned, and it offers a completely unacceptable solution -- an utterly inconsequential fine of \$25k and "more monitoring."

Both this NOPV case and the currently pending CPG case for the Monkton Gate Station (17-4909-PET) should be put on hold now.

In a recently filed case (17-3550-INV, filed March 1), a multitude of known and suspected serious safety risks were indicated.

ONLY when this pending investigation case has resulted in a complete and thorough review of the broadened scope of safety violations cited should any decisions be made or actions be taken on the DPS NOPV (18-0395-PET) case *OR* the Monkton Gate Station case.

I believe, in light of the inadequate construction and threat to public good, plus the project's terrific cost increases, that the the entire certificate of public good permit process for the VGS project should be reopened. At the very least, you should demand that the construction issues addressed in case 17-3550-INV be repaired. Your job, your responsibility to the people of Vermont, is to "ensure the provision of *high-quality* public utility services in Vermont." A pipeline being built in such an irresponsible manner is NOT high quality, and is NOT in the public good. Please make sure this project is safe, or shut it down!

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,
Jan Waterman
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