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To: PUC - Clerk
Subject: 17-3550-INV Comment

To the PUC Clerk:

As a landowner whose property is less than a mile from and shares a watershed with the route of the VGS pipeline, I feel very strongly that the NOPV filed by the Department of Public Service (17-3550-INV) is a red herring designed to undermine (and control) citizen opposition to the pipeline.

As a citizen, been horrified by the disregard for basic public safety, pipeline integrity, public land, and water quality that's infused this project.

As someone deeply and profoundly concerned about climate change, I'm achingly troubled to see Vermont invest so thoroughly (and to the detriment of public process) in a fossil fuel infrastructure project.

I therefore strongly request that case 18-0395-PET and the currently pending CPG case for the Monkton Gate Station (17-4909-PET), get put absolutely and completely on hold - no decisions made, no actions taken - UNTIL AND UNLESS the pending investigation case (17-3550-INV) has included and completed a thorough review of the broadened scope of safety violations - as requested by intervenors in their March 1 filing.

Thank you.

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"If you want to build a ship, don't drum up people together to collect wood and don't assign them tasks and work, but rather teach them to long for the endless immensity of the sea."
- Antoine de Saint-Exupery