

**STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

Joint Petition of NorthStar Decommissioning)
Holdings, LLC, NorthStar Nuclear)
Decommissioning Company, LLC, NorthStar)
Group Services, Inc., LVI Parent Corp., NorthStar)
Group Holdings, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Vermont)
Investment Company, LLC, and Entergy Nuclear) Docket No. 8880
Operations, Inc., and any other necessary)
affiliated entities to transfer ownership of Entergy)
Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC, and for certain)
ancillary approvals, pursuant to 30 V.S.A. §§ 107,)
231, and 232

JOINT STATUS UPDATE

The Vermont Department of Public Service (“DPS”), the Agency of Natural Resources (“ANR”), and the Attorney General’s Office (“AGO”) (collectively, the “State Parties”) submit this joint filing together with NorthStar Decommissioning Holdings, LLC, NorthStar Nuclear Decommissioning Company, LLC, NorthStar Group Services, Inc., LVI Parent Corporation, NorthStar Group Holdings, LLC (collectively, “NorthStar”), Entergy Nuclear Vermont Investment Company, LLC, and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. (collectively, “Entergy,” and together with NorthStar, the “Joint Petitioners”), and the New England Coalition on Nuclear Pollution, Inc., Windham Regional Commission, Conservation Law Foundation, Elnu Abenaki Tribe, Abenaki Nation of Missisquoi, and Town of Vernon Planning and Economic Development Committee (together with the State Parties and Joint Petitioners, the “Parties”).

The Parties submit this joint filing to provide an update on ongoing negotiations, pursuant to the “Procedural Order re Party Negotiations and Related Matters” entered by the Public Utility Commission (“Commission”) on January 25, 2018.

On January 24, 2018, the State Parties, Joint Petitioners, and the New England Coalition on Nuclear Pollution, Inc. each submitted a proposed schedule for the remainder of this proceeding, including alternative schedules depending on the outcome of ongoing negotiations on an amended proposal and Memorandum of Understanding. The Commission responded to those proposals in a Procedural Order entered on January 25, 2018, which postponed the status conference originally scheduled for January 25, 2018, and directed the State Parties and Joint Petitioners to submit a status update on or before February 1, 2018. Since that time, the Parties have continued to engage in productive negotiations with participation from all interested parties. Although significant progress has been made, those negotiations are ongoing and additional time is required to allow that process to run its course.

In light of the above, the Parties respectfully request that the Commission postpone the status conference currently scheduled for February 5, 2018. If that request is granted, the Parties will submit a status update on or before February 9, 2018, to: (i) provide a substantive update on the status of settlement negotiations; and (ii) propose a schedule for further proceedings based on negotiations at that time, including proposed dates for a rescheduled status conference. The Parties respectfully submit that a brief postponement is in the best interests of facilitating continued discussions and permitting an opportunity for all interested parties to consider the amended proposal.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 1st day of February 2018.

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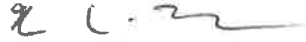
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