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The Public Service Department Announces Second Information Session of the Energy Generation Siting Policy Commission to be held on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Pavilion Auditorium.

Montpelier, VT – The second information session of the Governor’s Energy Generation Siting Policy Commission will take place on Wednesday, November 14, 2012 from 9:00 am –12:00 pm at the Pavilion Building Auditorium, 109 State Street, Montpelier, Vermont.

At the first information session of the Energy Generation Siting Policy Commission, the Commissioners were provided with an overview of current siting practices in Vermont. The focus of the second information session will be to understand energy siting practices in other New England states, and specifically how those practices address items contained within the charge of the Commission – from public participation and alternative dispute resolution to generic siting guidelines, opportunities for permit coordination, and how cumulative project impacts are considered. Representatives from New Hampshire, Connecticut, Maine, and Massachusetts will be presenting on their processes and taking questions from the Commissioners. Additional information sessions will occur in late November-January, followed by multiple public hearings.

The Commission’s website can be found at <http://sitingcommission.vermont.gov/home>. This website contains information regarding the Commission’s charge, proposed process timeline, background materials and a submission link for public comments. The site will be regularly updated with materials related to the Commission and announcements regarding future information sessions and public hearings.

The public is invited to attend all meetings of the Commission. Any member of the public who requires reasonable accommodation should make his or her request to Michelle Hughes at (802) 828-3065 by noon on November 9, 2012.

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