



**Central Vermont Public Service Corporation**

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Mr. John Estep  
Chief- Land Resources Section  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
Mail Code: DLC, HL-11.2  
888 First Street, NE  
Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: CVPS Cavendish Hydroelectric facility  
(FERC No. 2489) Articles 412 & 413

Dear Mr. Estep:

This letter summarizes activities related to license obligations for the CVPS Cavendish project. The first topic relates to Article 412 and the obligations prescribed in the Programmatic Agreement and subsequent Cultural Resource Management Plan for the project. The second topic relates to Article 413 and provides documentation on recreational facilities at the project.

**Article 412**

FERC approved the Cultural Resource Management Plan (CRMP) for the project in a June 22, 1999 order and indicated that the CRMP is consistent with both the Programmatic Agreement and Article 412 of the license. Both the Programmatic Agreement and the CRMP require CVPS to report annually on its CRMP related activities. The first year began when FERC approved the CRMP in June 1999. The activities for the first year involved research by Archaeology Consulting Team, Inc. (ACT) on the geomorphology of the Black River and the completion of an inventory of identifiable and identified sites within the project area. ACT also evaluated the condition of the riparian zone and banks of the river within the project. CVPS will provide a more extensive report on these activities once ACT completes ongoing fieldwork and then submit future reports annually by April 1 as specified in the CRMP.

**Article 413**

CVPS completed the requisite installation of and enhancements to recreation facilities at the project. Furthermore, a May 2, 1996 Order directed CVPS to file as-built drawings of the FERC approved recreation and landscaping plans for the project.

The attached photographs and accompanying descriptions provide documentation of the following project facilities: the parking area, the picnic area, trail signs, trail steps, the scenic overlook and interpretive sign, the east side gate and sign, and structures and signs for canoeists.

Please review this information and contact me at (802) 747-5707 if you have questions or comments. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

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Project Coordinator

Cc: M. Scarzello, CVPS  
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68 FT X 15 FT Parking Lot with 8 parking spaces



Picnic table with wheelchair access



Three picnic tables and vegetative screening of the substation



Typical directional sign for trail through hemlock grove



Portage path and steps through hemlock grove



Scenic overlook



Canoe take-out platform, west side "Danger" sign and section of the boat barrier at the impoundment





East side "Danger" sign