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Messrs. Warshow and Rubin,

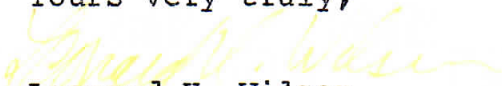
The Agency of Environmental Conservation is extremely pleased by the care in construction and design which you have displayed in the development of the Winooski 8 hydroelectric project.

As you know, this Agency takes a hard-line view of proposed hydroelectric development. Given the limited number of economically viable hydroelectric sites in the state, and the natural and social resources which rivers represent, I feel that hydroelectric development faces some of the hardest environmental hurdles any form of development must deal with in Vermont.

Given that background, it is extremely gratifying to see a project which goes beyond basics to produce an attractive, well designed project.

I hope your efforts will inspire other hydroelectric developers to design attractive projects.

Yours very truly,


Leonard U. Wilson
Secretary

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