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STATE OF VERMONT
Lakes & Ponds Section, Watershed Management Division, 1 National Life Drive,
Main Building Floor 2, Montpelier, VT 05620-3522

29 V.S.A. Chapter 11: Management of Lakes and Ponds

1. Name of Lake or Pond Lake Champlain Municipality Alburgh/Benson
2. Name of Applicant Champlain VT LLC, d/b/a TDI-New England Telephone 802-477-3830
Mailing Address c/o Mr. Donald Jessome, General Manager, P.O. Box 155, Charlotte, VT 05445
Email: donald.jessome@chvtllc.com
3. Person to contact (if someone other than the applicant) regarding this application:
Name Jeffrey Nelson, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. ("VHB") Daytime Telephone (802) 497-6150
Mailing Address 40 IDX Drive, Building 100, Suite 200, South Burlington, VT 05403
Email: jnelson@vhb.com
4. Project description (See instructions):
The New England Clean Power Link ("NECPL") Project consists of the construction, operation and maintenance of an electric transmission line and fiber optic cable that will run from the Canadian border at Alburgh, Vermont to Ludlow, Vermont along aquatic and underground routes. The aquatic portion of the transmission line, approximately 97 miles in length, will be buried in the bed of Lake Champlain, except at water depths of greater than 150 feet where the cables will be placed on the bottom and self-bury. The cables will enter the Lake in Alburgh, Vermont and emerge in Benson, Vermont, and horizontal directional drilling ("HDD") will be used to avoid shoreline disturbance at these locations. The overland (terrestrial) portions of the transmission line, approximately 57 miles in length, will be buried underground within existing public road rights-of-way ("ROWs") from Benson to Ludlow. Please refer to the Application Narrative Report for more information and details.
5. Purpose of the project:
The purpose of the NECPL Project is to provide electricity generated by renewable energy sources in Canada to the New England electric grid. Please refer to the Application Narrative Report for more information and details
6. Public benefits of the project:
The Project will result in economic, environmental, and infrastructure improvement benefits to the public as presented in the Application Narrative Report.

7. Planned work schedule:

TDI-NE anticipates permitting decisions by December 2015. Pre-construction activities would commence in 2016. Construction-related engineering activities are expected to commence in 2016 and continue through early 2019 with performance testing and commissioning. TDI-NE anticipates that the commercial operation date for the proposed NECPL Project will be April 2019. Lake construction would take place between May and October of the construction year.

8. Site location/address: 155 Bay Road, Alburgh, VT and 229 Stoney Point Road, Benson, VT (HDD entry/emergence points)

9. Complete name and **mailing addresses** of each abutting property owner:

(1) Please refer to Appendix 1 of the Permit Application Narrative Report

(2) _____

(3) _____

10. Application fee enclosed \$ 20,000 Estimated cost of project \$ _____

Fee for non-structural erosion control projects \$155; Fee for structural erosion control \$250;
Fee for other projects \$300 plus 0.01 times the project cost.

10. Certification: I hereby certify that the information in this application and its enclosures are true and accurate. I grant the Department permission to enter upon the land to verify information contained in the application [29 V.S.A. 404(b)].



APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

3/16/2015
DATE