



**STATE OF VERMONT**  
JOINT FISCAL OFFICE

**MEMORANDUM**

To: Joint Fiscal Committee members  
From: Daniel Dickerson, Fiscal Analyst *DWD*  
Date: December 31, 2018  
Subject: Grant Request #2942 - 2944

Enclosed please find three (3) items, which the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the Administration. **The Administration has requested expedited review of these grants by the JFC.** Members will be contacted by January 7, 2019 for a decision unless the member has responded prior to that time.

**JFO #2942** – \$10,000 from the Castanea Foundation to the VT Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets. Funds from this grant will be paired with \$50,000 in funds from the USDA Specialty Crop Block Grant program to provide a third round of Vermont Produce Safety Improvement Grants (VPSIG) since 2017. The VPSIG funds go to produce growers to implement on-farm food safety practice improvements, transition to compliance with the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule, and meet market demands for on-farm food. VPSIG funds will be awarded by March 2019 with work to be completed by December 31, 2019.

*[JFO received 12/28/18]*

**JFO #2943** – \$219,213 from the Northern Border Regional Commission to the VT Dept. of Environmental Conservation (DEC). Funds from this grant will be used for pilot projects in 3 northern Vermont villages aimed at comprehensive wastewater infrastructure planning and implementation. The ultimate goal of the project is to determine how the state might adjust funding, permitting and assistance programs for local wastewater improvement projects in order to improve outcomes for communities in need of wastewater improvements but with a small base of users from which to draw funding. DEC will hire a consultant to serve as coordinator for the 3 pilot communities and provide more in-person support from project start to finish. The 3 pilot communities are Wolcott, East Burke and West Burke. The pilot will take place over three years. A local match will be provided in the form of state funding and local in-kind volunteer effort. State match will total approximately \$112,000 over the three-year project period.

*[JFO received 12/28/18]*

**JFO #2944** – \$279,330 from Green Mountain Power to the VT Public Service Department. \$270,000 in funding would come from Nuclear Electricity Insurance Ltd. (NEIL) credits associated with Green Mountain Power's share of Vermont Yankee. The remaining \$9,329.70 would come from a premium refund to GMP from American Nuclear Insurers Corp.

(ANI). PSD would use \$150,000 to establish a low-income energy pilot program to help GMP ratepayers with limited means to fund home renewable energy projects. The remaining \$130,000 would fund a stove to wood pellet change-out program for low and moderate income households focused mainly in Rutland County where particulate air quality issues are most acute.

*[JFO received 12/28/18]*

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Daniel Dickerson at (802) 828-2472; [ddickerson@leg.state.vt.us](mailto:ddickerson@leg.state.vt.us)) if you have questions or would like an item held for legislative review. Unless we hear from you to the contrary by January 7, 2019 we will assume that you agree to consider as final the Governor's acceptance of these requests.

JFO 2944

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**STATE OF VERMONT  
 FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM**

**Grant Summary:** Grant of \$279,329 that will establish energy efficiency projects for low-income customers of GMP (\$150,000) and improve existing efforts related to the stove change-out program, specifically within Rutland County (\$129,329).

**Date:** 12/19/2018

**Department:** PSD

**Legal Title of Grant:** Green Mountain Power NEIL Fund Grant

**Federal Catalog #:** NA

**Grant/Donor Name and Address:** Green Mountain Power  
 163 Acorn Lane, Colchester, VT, 05446

**Grant Period:** From: 7/1/2018 To: 12/31/2019

**Grant/Donation:** \$279,329.70

	SFY 1	SFY 2	SFY 3	Total	Comments
<b>Grant Amount:</b>	\$220,000	\$59,329.70	\$0	\$279,329.70	

<b>Position Information:</b>	<b># Positions</b>	<b>Explanation/Comments</b>
	0	

**Additional Comments:** This grant has low operating costs associated with oversight as it is being used to augment an existing program (stove change-out) and an existing effort (low-income energy pilots in partnership with GMP). Once the grant is exhausted the existing programs/efforts will continue using their typical funding streams.

<b>Department of Finance &amp; Management</b>	AES	(Initial)
<b>Secretary of Administration</b>	BZJ	(Initial)
<b>Sent To Joint Fiscal Office</b>	12/27/18	<b>Date</b>



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**STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (\*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)**

<b>BASIC GRANT INFORMATION</b>				
<b>1. Agency:</b>				
<b>2. Department:</b>	Public Service Department			
<b>3. Program:</b>	Clean Energy Development Fund			
<b>4. Legal Title of Grant:</b>	Green Mountain Power NEIL Fund Grant			
<b>5. Federal Catalog #:</b>	NA			
<b>6. Grant/Donor Name and Address:</b>				
Green Mountain Power 163 Acorn Lane, Colchester Vermont 05446				
<b>7. Grant Period:</b>	<b>From:</b>	7/1/2018	<b>To:</b>	12/31/2019
<b>8. Purpose of Grant:</b>				
Low-income community PV pilot program and low and moderate-income wood stove change-outs				
<b>9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted:</b>				
Loss of \$279,329 that will help low income Vermonters benefit from solar PV and new cleaner more efficiency wood/pellet heating.				
<b>10. BUDGET INFORMATION</b>				
	<b>SFY 1</b>	<b>SFY 2</b>	<b>SFY 3</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	<b>FY 19</b>	<b>FY 20</b>	<b>FY</b>	
Personal Services	\$	\$	\$	
Operating Expenses	\$5,000	\$	\$	
Grants	\$215,000	\$59,329.70	\$	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$220,000</b>	<b>\$59,329.70</b>	<b>\$</b>	
<b>Revenues:</b>				
State Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
Cash	\$	\$	\$	
In-Kind	\$	\$	\$	
Federal Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
(Direct Costs)	\$	\$	\$	
(Statewide Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
(Departmental Indirect)	\$	\$	\$	
Other Funds:	\$	\$	\$	
Grant (source GMP)	\$220,000	\$59,329.7	\$	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	
<b>Appropriation No:</b>		<b>Amount:</b>		\$
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			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$279,329.70</b>

**STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (\*) ACCEPTANCE (Form AA-1)**

**PERSONAL SERVICE INFORMATION**

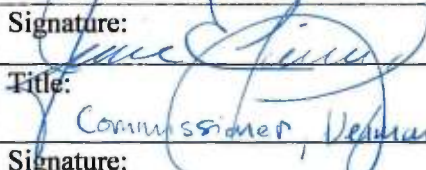
**11. Will monies from this grant be used to fund one or more Personal Service Contracts?**  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", appointing authority must initial here to indicate intent to follow current competitive bidding process/policy.

Appointing Authority Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Agreed by: \_\_\_\_\_ (initial)

12. Limited Service Position Information:	# Positions	Title
<b>Total Positions</b>		

**12a. Equipment and space for these positions:**  Is presently available.  Can be obtained with available funds.


**13. AUTHORIZATION AGENCY/DEPARTMENT**

I/we certify that no funds beyond basic application preparation and filing costs have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant, unless previous notification was made on Form AA-1PN (if applicable):	Signature: 	Date: 12/12/18
	Title: Commissioner, Vermont Department of Public Service	
	Signature: _____	Date: _____
	Title: _____	

**14. SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved:	(Secretary or designee signature) 	Date: 12/21/18
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**15. ACTION BY GOVERNOR**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accepted		Date: 12/24/18
<input type="checkbox"/> Rejected		

**16. DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED**

**Required GRANT Documentation**

<input type="checkbox"/> Request Memo	<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Donation (if any)
<input type="checkbox"/> Dept. project approval (if applicable)	<input type="checkbox"/> Grant (Project) Timeline (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Award	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Extension (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/> Form AA-1PN attached (if applicable)
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant Budget	

**End Form AA-1**

(\*) The term "grant" refers to any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money or thing of value to be accepted by any agency, department, commission, board, or other part of state government (see 32 V.S.A. §5).

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## Daniel Dickerson

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**From:** Foley, Sean <Sean.Foley@vermont.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 31, 2018 11:39 AM  
**To:** Daniel Dickerson; Janet Ancel  
**Cc:** Perchlik, Andrew; Tierney, June  
**Subject:** Representative Janet Ancel, Joint Fiscal Committee Chair : Expedited Request AA-1

Representative Janet Ancel,

The Public Service Department (PSD) is requesting that the Joint Fiscal Committee provide an expedited review of the PSD's request for grant acceptance (AA-1). The Clean Energy Development Fund at the PSD would benefit greatly from being able to spend the grant money by the end of January 2019, and thus the need for this request for expedited review.

The grant in question is detailed in the AA-1 packet. In summary, it is a grant of \$279,329.70 from the Green Mountain Power Corporation's Nuclear Energy Insurance Liability rate-payer benefit fund (NEIL) and the American Nuclear Insurers (ANI) fund, as approved by the Public Utilities Commission and granted to the Vermont Clean Energy Development Fund.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,  
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**MEMORANDUM**

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To: Secretary Susanne Young  
From: Commissioner June E. Tierney  
Date: December 12, 2018  
Subject: Accepting NEIL Funds Grant From Green Mountain Power

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The Public Service Department (PSD) is requesting approval to accept a grant from the Green Mountain Power's Nuclear Energy Insurance Liability rate-payer benefit fund (NEIL) and American Nuclear Insurers ("ANI") as approved by the Public Utilities Commission.

The grant is to the PSD's Clean Energy Development Fund (CEDF) and is for \$279,329.70. All but \$5,000 will be sub-granted for the following two programs:

**1. Low Income Energy Pilot**  
**Funding Level: \$150,000**

This will be to cooperatively develop and implement a pilot program to help GMP's low-income customers reduce and stabilize their home energy costs with renewable energy projects. The pilot will focus on funding a solar installation for the exclusive benefit of GMP's customers participating in the Electric Assistance Program (EAP) and where the EAP funds are used in support of the solar project. If the CEDF is unable to get the Solar EAP pilot operational the NEIL funds will be used on another low-income program for GMP customers such as providing support for heat pump installations to reduce reliance on perpetual LIHEAP subsidies. Specific programs and implementation will be worked-out with GMP, the PSD/CEDF, and stakeholders

**2. Rutland County Low & Moderate Income Wood Stove to Pellet Change-out Program**  
**Funding Level: \$129,329.70**

The program would leverage State of Vermont wood stove change-out program administration and funding (CEDF and possibly Division of Air Quality) for a special focus on Rutland County, which has the worst known particulate air quality issues in the State. By leveraging the state-wide program this NEIL and ANI funded program could offer an incentive that would put a new, highly efficient pellet stove or boiler in reach of low income residents that currently heat with wood.



The PSD will be supplying match with minimal in-kind staff time in the amount of and will receive \$5,000 of grant funds to over the administration of this grant.

The grant agreement information with Green Mountain Power is attached to the AA-1 and has the specifics about the scope of work for the grant. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or the CEDF Fund Manager on this project, Andrew Perchlik [828-4017 or [andrew.perchlik@Vermont.gov](mailto:andrew.perchlik@Vermont.gov) ].

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 17-4894-INV

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In re: ratepayer benefit plan activities arising from the Vermont Public Utility Commission's April 7, 2004, Order in Docket 6545	
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Order entered: 10/29/2018

**ORDER APPROVING 2018 RATEPAYER BENEFIT PLAN FOR USE OF  
AMERICAN NUCLEAR INSURANCE PREMIUM REFUND**

On August 13, 2018, Green Mountain Power Corporation (“GMP”) informed the Vermont Public Utility Commission that Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation received a premium refund from American Nuclear Insurers Corporation (“ANI”) on July 16, 2018, and that GMP’s share of that refund was \$9,329.70.

On September 14, 2018, GMP filed its 2018 Ratepayer Benefit Plan (the “Plan”), as provided for in the Commission’s Order in Case 6545 of April 7, 2004, for the proposed use of the \$9,329.70 in funds from GMP's share of the ANI premium refund.

On September 21, 2018, the Commission sent a copy of the Plan (by e-mail or postal mail) to all parties on the service list in Case 6545 who were provided with previous ratepayer benefit plans filed in that case, requiring that any comments on the Plan be submitted to the Commission by October 5, 2018.

The Commission did not receive any objections or other comments on the Plan.

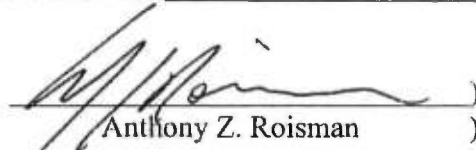
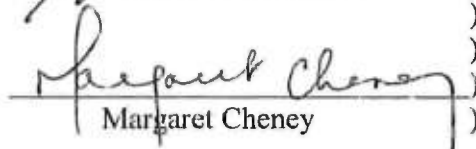
Under the Plan, GMP proposes to allocate the available funds to a City of Rutland pellet program that offers incentives to low-income residents who currently heat with wood to install new, highly-efficient pellet stoves or boilers in their homes.

GMP represents that the Plan has the support the Vermont Department of Public Service, the Conservation Law Foundation, the Citizens Awareness Network, and Renewable Energy Vermont. GMP requests that the Commission approve the Plan for immediate implementation.

Based on a review of GMP’s filings and representations and the requirements of the Commission’s Order of April 7, 2004, the proposed use of \$9,329.70 in funds from the ANI

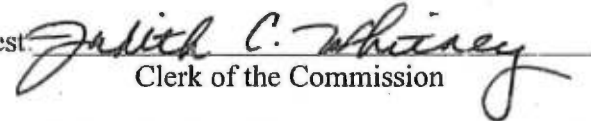
premium refund to support the Rutland City pellet program as described in GMP's Plan is approved.

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont this 29th day of October, 2018

	)	PUBLIC UTILITY
Anthony Z. Roisman	)	
	)	COMMISSION
	)	OF VERMONT
Margaret Cheney	)	

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: October 29, 2018

Attest   
Clerk of the Commission

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*Appeal of this decision to the Supreme Court of Vermont must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 30 days. Appeal will not stay the effect of this Order, absent further order by this Commission or appropriate action by the Supreme Court of Vermont. Motions for reconsideration or stay, if any, must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission within 28 days of the date of this decision and Order.*

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STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

Case No. 17-4894-INV

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In re: ratepayer benefit plan activities arising from the Vermont Public Utility Commission's April 7, 2004, Order in Docket 6545	
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Order entered: 11/21/2017

**ORDER RE: PROPOSED USES OF VERMONT YANKEE NUCLEAR POWER CORPORATION  
NUCLEAR ELECTRIC INSURANCE LIMITED FUNDS**

**I. BACKGROUND**

On June 2, 2017, Green Mountain Power Corporation ("GMP") filed its 2017 Ratepayer Benefit Plan (the "Plan") for the use of \$302,718.90 in funds from a distribution of Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited ("NEIL") credits associated with GMP's share of the Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation.

On September 13, 2017, GMP notified the Public Utility Commission ("Commission") that it had also received \$8,596.05 in premium refunds from American Nuclear Insurers ("ANI"). GMP proposes to combine these funds with the NEIL funds to support the activities outlined in the Plan.<sup>1</sup>

Under the Plan, GMP proposes to allocate funds to several projects. These projects include: (1) a pilot project providing solar energy installations to low-income customers; (2) renewable energy education projects in Vermont schools; (3) a woodstove change-out program in Rutland, Vermont; and (4) additional funding for the GMP Renewable Development Fund.

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<sup>1</sup> GMP made its filings in Docket 6545, which establishes the requirements governing use of these funds. With the exception of ratepayer benefit plan filings, Docket 6545 has been inactive for an extended period. In order to use the Commission's new electronic filing system, ePUC, the Commission has opened this proceeding for the limited purpose of considering this and future ratepayer benefit plan filings. While this Order is being sent to all parties in Docket 6545, parties in those cases will not automatically be parties in this new proceeding, and future Orders in this proceeding will not be sent to the parties in that case. With the exceptions of GMP and the Vermont Department of Public Service (the "Department"), any party to Docket 6545 wishing to continue as a party in this proceeding must file a motion to intervene. Persons who are not seeking party status but wish to receive email notifications when the Commission issues documents or parties make filings in this proceeding may "subscribe" to the case in ePUC. Information on how to subscribe to a case is available on the Commission's website at: <http://puc.vermont.gov/epuc-information/subscribe-case>.

GMP represents that it has collaborated with interested stakeholders pursuant to the Commission's April 7, 2004, Order in Docket 6545, and that the Plan is supported by the Department, Renewable Energy Vermont, Citizens Awareness Network, and the Conservation Law Foundation.

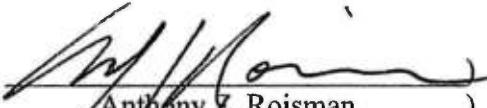
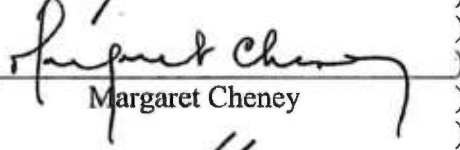

The Commission has not received any comments on or objections to GMP's Plan.

## **II. DISCUSSION**

The proposed use of \$311,314.95 in NEIL and ANI funds as described in GMP's Plan is appropriate and therefore is approved.


**SO ORDERED.**

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont this 21st day of November, 2017.

	)	PUBLIC UTILITY
Anthony Z. Roisman	)	
	)	COMMISSION
Margaret Cheney	)	
	)	OF VERMONT
Sarah Hofmann	)	

OFFICE OF THE CLERK

Filed: November 21, 2017

Attest:   
Clerk of the Commission

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## **Green Mountain Power 2017 NEIL Fund Plan**

In accordance with Vermont Public Service Board (the "Board") Order dated April 7, 2004 in Docket No. 6545, and the Clerk's Memorandum dated July 20, 2006 closing Docket No. 6545, Green Mountain Power Corporation ("GMP") has reported that it received its share of a Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited ("NEIL") distribution to Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corporation ("VYNPC") in the amount of \$302,718.90 on March 20, 2017.

Pursuant to the Board's Order, GMP proposes the following plan to use the NEIL distribution, totaling \$302,718.90 for the benefit of its customers "with specific consideration to applying a significant portion of these benefits towards the development and use of renewable resources<sup>1</sup>":

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|-----------------------|---|
| <b>1. Program:</b>    | <b>Low Income Energy Pilot (Pilot)</b>      |
| <b>Recipients:</b>    | <b>Clean Energy Development Fund (CEDF)</b> |
| <b>Funding Level:</b> | <b>\$150,000</b>                            |

The CEDF grant is intended to support the CEDF's cooperative development and implementation of a Pilot to help GMP's low-income customers reduce and stabilize their home energy costs with renewable energy projects. The Pilot will focus on funding a solar installation for the exclusive benefit of GMP's customers participating in the Electric Assistance Program (EAP). If the CEDF is unable to get the solar EAP pilot operational, the grant funds will be used on another low-income program for GMP customers such as providing support for heat pump installations to reduce reliance on perpetual LIHEAP subsidies. Specific programs and implementation will be worked-out with GMP, the PSD, and stakeholders.

The Clean Energy Development Fund is managed and administered by the Public Service Department with advisory and oversight capacities provided by the Clean Energy Development Board (CEDB). The CEDB is charged with approving the CEDB's annual plan, budget, program design, and strategic plan. The Public Service Department is responsible for the day-to-day decisions of the CEDF. Board members serve four year terms and are appointed by either the Commissioner of the Public Service Department (3 members), the Chair of the House Energy and Technology Committee (2 members), or the Chair of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee (2 members).

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<sup>1</sup> Docket No. 6545 Order of June 13, 2002 at Page 160, Order of April 7, 2004 at Page 2

- 2. Program: Renewable Energy Education/Green Careers**  
**Recipient: Vermont Energy Education Program (VEEP)**  
**Funding Level: \$30,000**

The VEEP grant will support hands-on education focused on renewable energy, energy efficiency, and careers in the green energy sector for schools around Vermont. This funding will support VEEP's efforts to bring in-class workshops directly to students, as well as offering deeper curriculum integration on renewable energy through teacher professional development, high school student trainings, and the deployment of hands-on science and engineering kits for STEM energy education.

**Deliverables** (for schools in GMP territory only):

- Bring subsidized in-class workshops to at least 100 K-12 classes in Vermont.
- Support schools to provide hands-on and/or project based programming to students on topics like photovoltaics, solar thermal, wind, and methane generation by:
  - Circulating kits of materials to schools at significantly reduced cost to support hands-on renewable energy science and engineering education, including producing new kits to meet demand.
  - Training teachers to run curriculum units on renewable energy and provide support for teachers as needed.
  - Supporting teachers and students on energy related projects undertaken as part of school programming.

- 3. Program: Rutland City Low & Moderate Income Wood Stove to Pellet Change-out Program**  
**Recipient: Clean Energy Development Fund (CEDF)**  
**Funding Level: \$120,000**

The program would leverage State of Vermont wood stove change-out program administration and funding (CEDF and possibly Division of Air Quality) for a special focus on Rutland, which has the worst known particulate air quality issues in the State. By leveraging the state-wide program, this NEIL funded grant program could offer an incentive that would put a new, highly efficient pellet stove or boiler in reach of low income residents that currently heat with wood.

The funds for this program could be granted to the CEDF who could sub-grant the funds to a Rutland based organization working with low-income individuals, and/or incorporate those funds into the CEDF's stove change program funds. GMP could also grant these funds to a Rutland organization that would be required to coordinate with the CEDF.

The CEDF is also considering the development of a financing incentive that would allow the costs of new stoves or boilers installed to be financed at 0% for low income borrowers. Grant fund would leverage this financing program as well.

- 4. Program: GMP Renewable Development Fund**  
**Recipient: GMP Renewable Development Fund**  
**Funding Level: \$2,718.90**

Green Mountain Power maintains the GMP Renewable Development Fund (the "Fund") with a six-member executive oversight committee. The Fund was originally created in 2004 with the creation of the Cow Power Tariff. The Fund was seeded with several previous grants from NEIL and American Nuclear Insurers ("ANI") Proceeds, but those funds have dwindled over the last decade through support of full time project coordination services, farm grants and various research projects in support of the goal of the program to facilitate the development of successful Cow Power projects on Vermont dairy farms.

This grant will support the ongoing work of the Fund under the guidance of the Executive Committee.

**Grant Agreement between**  
**Vermont Clean Energy Development Fund at the Public Service**  
**Department**  
**and**  
**Green Mountain Power Inc.**

**WHEREAS**, the Green Mountain Power (“GMP”) is a regulated electric distribution utility is the recipient of:

1. \$270,000 of Nuclear Electricity Insurance Ltd. (NEIL) funds, which they proposed to the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) a spending plan in 2017;
2. \$9,329.70 of ANI refund funds which they proposed to the PUC a spending plan in 201; and

**WHEREAS**, the Clean Energy Development Fund at the Vermont Public Service Department (“GRANTEE”) is the named recipient of the NEIL funds in the Public Utilities PUC approved NEIL plan per the PUC order on 11/21/2017; and

**WHEREAS**, GMP, in partnership with GRANTEE, has developed work to be performed under this grant agreement

**NOW THEREFORE**, GMP and GRANTEE hereby agree to the following:

**WORK TO BE PERFORMED:**

The GRANTEE shall prepare and implement the following two programs:

**Program 1: Low Income Energy Pilot Program**

The CEDF grant is intended to support the CEDF’s cooperative development and implementation of a Pilot to help GMP’s low-income customers reduce and stabilize their home energy costs with renewable energy projects. The Pilot will focus on funding a solar installation for the exclusive benefit of GMP’s customers participating in the Electric Assistance Program (EAP). If the CEDF is unable to get the solar EAP pilot operational, the grant funds will be used on another low-income program for GMP customers such as providing support for heat pump installations to reduce reliance on perpetual LIHEAP subsidies. Specific programs and implementation will be worked-out among GMP, the PSD, and interested stakeholders.

The Clean Energy Development Fund is managed and administered by the Public Service Department with advisory and oversight capacities provided by the Clean Energy Development Board (CEDB). The CEDB is charged with approving the CEDB’s annual plan, budget, program design, and strategic plan. The Public Service Department is responsible for the day-to-day decisions of the CEDF. Board members serve four year terms and are appointed by either the Commissioner of the Public Service Department (3 members), the Chair of the House Energy and Technology Committee (2 members), or the Chair of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee (2 members).

**Program 2: Rutland County Low & Moderate Income Wood Stove Change-out Program**

The program would leverage State of Vermont wood stove change-out program administration and funding (CEDF and possibly Division of Air Quality) for a special focus on Rutland, which has the worst known particulate air quality issues in the State. By leveraging the state-wide program, this NEIL funded grant program could offer an incentive that would make available a new, highly efficient pellet stove or boiler to low income residents that currently heat with wood.

The funds for this program could be granted to the CEDF who could sub-grant the funds to a Rutland based organization working with low-income individuals, and/or incorporate those funds into the CEDF's stove change program funds. GMP could also grant these funds to a Rutland organization that would be required to coordinate with the CEDF.

The CEDF is also considering the development of a financing incentive that would allow the costs of new stoves or boilers installed to be financed at 0% for low income borrowers. Grant fund would leverage this financing program as well.

**TERM OF GRANT AGREEMENT**

The term of this grant agreement is from July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019.

**GRANT AGREEMENT BUDGET**

The total amount obligated under this grant agreement by GMP to the GRANTEE shall not exceed US \$279,329.70 as follow:

Program # 1 shall be \$150,000.00

Program # 2 shall be \$124,329.70

Reimbursement for CEDF/PSD's administration expenses shall be \$5,000.

**PRINCIPALS**

A) The person responsible for managing this grant agreement for the GRANTEE is Andrew Perchlik. His contact information is as follows:

Andrew Perchlik  
Director  
Clean Energy Development Fund, Public Service Department  
112 State St, Montpelier, VT 05620  
Ph: 802-828-4017  
andrew.perchlik@Vermont.gov

B) The person responsible for managing this grant agreement for GMP is Kirk Shields. His contact information is as follows:

Kirk Shields

Green Mountain Power  
Ph: 802-770-4246  
Kirk.Shields@greenmountainpower.com

C) If either of the persons identified in 4(A) and 4(B) ("Principals") or any of the contact information for the Principals changes, the party will notify the other party in writing of the new contact information.

#### REPORTING

A. The GRANTEE shall submit brief progress reports as agreed upon by electronic mail to the grant agreement manager. The progress reports will address the status of the work and any issues that affect the performance of this grant agreement or the work products.

B. The GRANTEE shall also submit final reports for each of the two programs to the GMP grant agreement Manager

#### PAYMENTS

GMP shall send to the GRANTEE the entire granted amount of \$279,329.70 as soon as GMP is able.

#### AMENDMENT OF THIS GRANT AGREEMENT

No change, alteration or modification of this grant agreement may be made except in writing signed by the parties.

#### Agreed to as dated below:

GRANTEE  
by:

Green Mountain Power  
by:

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June E. Tierney Date  
Vermont Public Service Department

*Kirk Shields* 12/11/2018  
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Kirk Shields Date  
Green Mountain Power