

State of Vermont  
WATER RESOURCES BOARD

In re: Passumpsic River Hydroelectric Project (CVPS)  
Section 401 Certification  
Docket No. WQ-94-09

STAY ORDER

On August 28, 1997, the Water Resources Board (Board) issued a Stay Order in the above-captioned matter with an expiration deadline of October 14, 1997. On September 22, 1997, the Board received a letter filed by the Vermont Natural Resources Council (VNRC), Appellant, on behalf of itself and the other parties to the above-captioned appeal, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation (CVPS) and the Agency of Natural Resources (ANR), asking for an extension of time in which to complete negotiations in this appeal.

The Board reviewed the joint request at its regular meeting on October 14, 1997, and determined that the Stay Order should be extended. Therefore, it is hereby ordered that:

- (1) A stay is granted to expire **4:30 p.m., Tuesday, November 4, 1997;**
- (2) The parties shall file with the Board on or before **4:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 22, 1997,** either a proposed joint motion to dismiss and accompanying settlement agreement or a joint status report indicating whether they will require an extension of this Stay Order to complete an agreement.
- (3) If the parties should need an extension of this Stay Order, they shall file their request no later than **4:30 p.m., Wednesday, October 22, 1997;** and
- (4) If the parties are unable to reach agreement and do not timely request an extension of this Stay, the Board Chair will convene a prehearing conference at which a schedule for filing deadlines and a hearing date shall be established for the resolution of disputed issues in this proceeding.

Dated at Leicester, Vermont, this 14th day of October, 1997.

Vermont Water Resources Board  
By its Chair,

  
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William Boyd Davies

Concurring: Ruth Einstein  
Gerry Gossens  
Gail Osherenko  
Jane Potvin