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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR INDIVIDUAL WETLAND PERMIT #2015-464
March 10, 2016**

A request for An Individual Wetland Permit, required pursuant to the provisions of Section 9 of the Vermont Wetland Rules has been received from Vermont Gas Systems, Inc.

Vermont Gas Systems, Inc. is requesting approval for an amendment to permit #2012-184 and #2015-464 for the construction of a natural gas transmission mainline, gate stations, distribution mainline, and local distribution network to extend natural gas services from Colchester to Middlebury and Vergennes. The change in Class II wetland and buffer area included in this amendment application represents a decrease from the previously permitted impacts. The impacts proposed in this amendment include 3,017 square feet of wetland and 8,113 square feet of buffer impact. The proposed project is located in the towns of Colchester, Essex, Williston, St. George, Hinesburg, Monkton, Ferrisburg, Vergennes, Waltham, New Haven, Weybridge, and Middlebury along various utility line corridors, roads, and cross-country. The changes in project impacts which this application seeks are within the town of Monkton. This wetland has been designated as a significant (Class II) wetland under the Vermont Wetland Rules.

Copies of the application are available for review at the Vermont Wetlands Office in Montpelier, the Town Clerk's Offices in Monkton, the Regional Planning Commission offices in Middlebury, and the Agency of Natural Resources website: <http://watershedmanagement.vt.gov/cfm/notices/info.cfm?id=9771> A public meeting will be held to hear comments on the application on March 24, 2016 at 6:00pm at Champlain Valley Union High School (CVU), Room 160, in Hinesburg, Vermont. Individual Wetland Permits may only be approved if the Agency is satisfied that the applicant has demonstrated that the proposed use complies with the Vermont Wetland Rules and the proposed use will not have an undue adverse impact on the functions and values of any significant wetlands or their adjacent buffer zones. In making the determination that the applicant has met this burden, the Agency will evaluate the potential effects of the proposed use on the basis of (1) the use's direct and immediate effects on the wetland; and (2) the use's cumulative or on-going effects on the wetland.

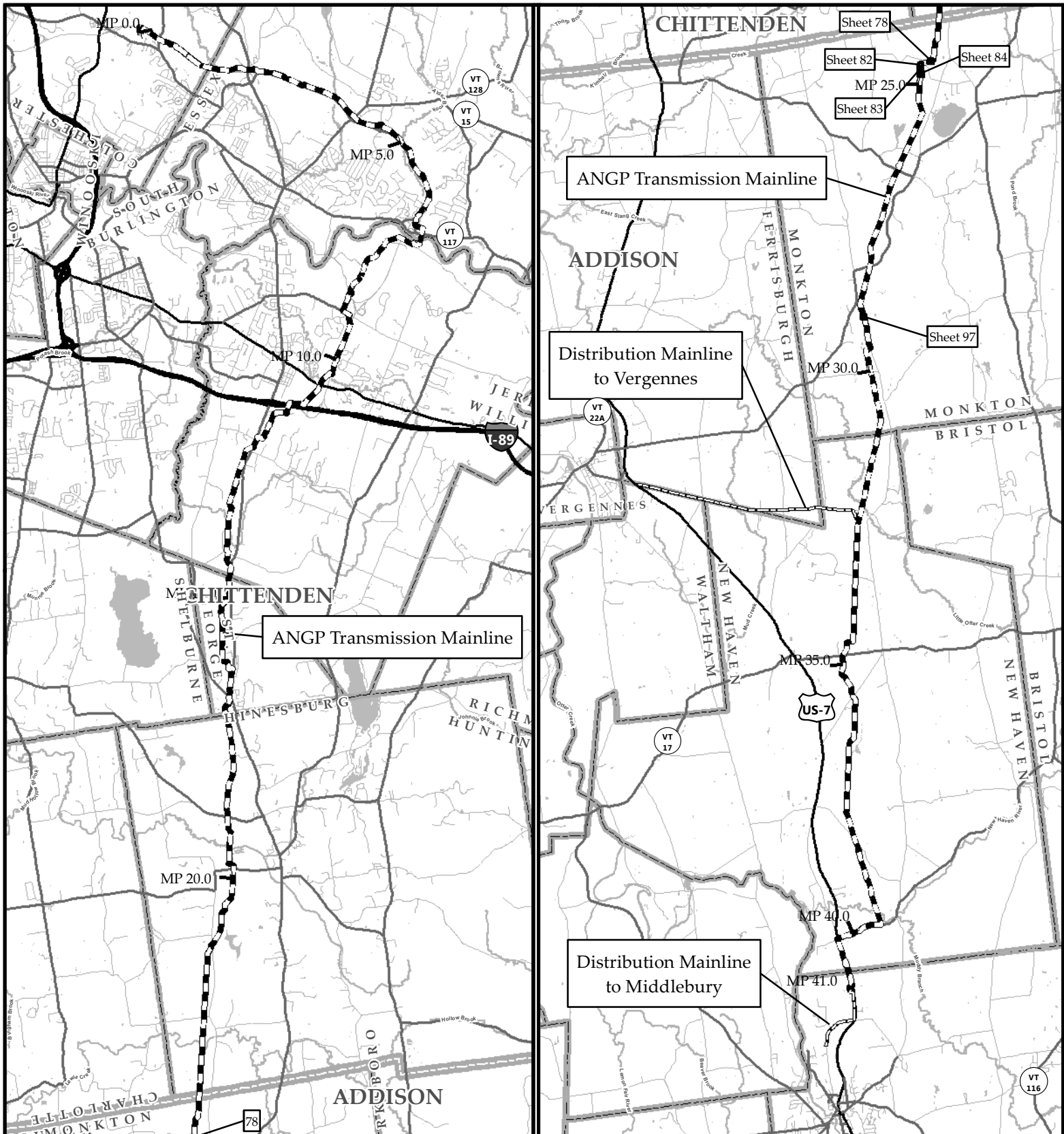
Any person may file comments in writing on this application by referencing project 2015-776 through March 25, 2016 and sending them to:

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Enclosure

cc: Distribution List

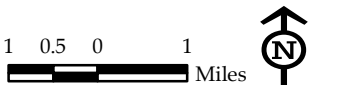


Legend

- Proposed Transmission Mainline
- Proposed Distribution Mainline
- Interstate
- US Route
- State Highway
- Town Road
- Town Boundary
- County Boundary
- Waterbody (VHD)

**Vermont Gas
Addison Natural Gas Project - Phase I
Chittenden and Addison Counties, VT
Class II Wetland and Buffer
Impact Exhibit - Index Map**

December 20, 2012
Last Revised: December 16, 2015



Sources: Roads downloaded from VCGI (2014);
VHD Streams & Waterbodies by VHD and downloaded
from VCGI (2009), Town and County Boundaries
by VCGI (2009); Proposed Pipeline by CHA (2012-2015)

