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Dear Environmental Justice Advisory Council,

On behalf of the Vermont Health Department, I am writing to provide the Environmental Justice Advisory Council with the following annual summary, detailing complaints alleging Environmental Justice issues or Title VI violations, as well as any agency action taken to resolve them, as required by 3 V.S.A. § 6004 (d).

Like many of the agencies covered by the Environmental Justice Law, the Health Department does not have a dedicated Environmental Justice complaint intake process. We continue to support the Environmental Justice Advisory Council's 2024 recommendation to create "a thoughtful, unified-across-agency Complaints Response System."

We understand that creating an updated statewide system for receiving environmental justice and civil rights complaints will take time, resources, and collaboration with the Interagency Committee, Advisory Council, and the Agency of Natural Resources.

In an effort to move this work forward, the Department of Health supports the Development of a Centralized Environmental Justice (EJ) Intake System Workplan and Timeline drafted by members of the Interagency Committee, with the understanding that the workplan and timeline will be adjusted as needed to complete the work.

With Care,



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