

**STATE OF VERMONT
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD**

Amended Petition of Entergy Nuclear)
Vermont Yankee, LLC, and Entergy)
Nuclear Operations, Inc., for amendment)
of their certificate of public good and)
other approvals required under 30 V.S.A.)
§ 231(a) for authority to continue after)
March 21, 2012, operation of the Vermont)
Yankee Nuclear Power Station, including)
the storage of spent nuclear fuel)

Docket No. 7862

**PREFILED DIRECT TESTIMONY OF DONALD J. RENDALL, JR.
ON BEHALF OF
GREEN MOUNTAIN POWER CORPORATION**

October 22, 2012

Summary of Testimony

Mr. Rendall describes a dispute between Green Mountain Power Corporation and Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC concerning outages at the Vermont Yankee plant relating to cooling tower failures.

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1 **1. Q. What is your name, occupation, and business address?**

2 **A.** My name is Donald J. Rendall, Jr. I am Vice President, Chief Strategic Planning
3 Officer and Secretary at Green Mountain Power Corporation (“GMP” or the “Company”), 163
4 Acorn Lane, in Colchester, Vermont.

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6 **2. Q. Please describe your educational background and pertinent professional**
7 **experience.**

8 **A.** I have served as an executive and chief legal officer of GMP since 2002. From
9 2002 to 2012, I served as Vice President and General Counsel. I advise the Company’s CEO,
10 senior management and board of directors on strategic, policy, legal, regulatory, compliance and
11 legislative matters. Among other duties and responsibilities, I have represented the Company in
12 a variety of proceedings and matters before the Vermont Public Service Board and the Federal
13 Energy Regulatory Commission. I have represented the Company in major power supply
14 agreement negotiations, including negotiations with Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee, LLC
15 (“Entergy”).

16 In 2012, after completion of the merger and acquisition of Central Vermont Public
17 Service Corporation (“CVPS”), I became Vice President and Chief Strategic Planning Officer of
18 GMP. In this role my duties have expanded to include leadership of the Company’s strategic
19 planning.

1 Prior to joining GMP, from 1987 until 2002 I practiced law as a principal of the law firm
2 now known as Sheehey Furlong & Behm in Burlington, Vermont. From 1984 until 1987 I
3 served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of Vermont. From 1982 until 1984 I
4 practiced law as an associate at the law firm Jenner & Block in Chicago, Illinois. In 1981-1982 I
5 served as a law clerk to Chief Judge James S. Holden in the United States District Court for the
6 District of Vermont.

7 I received my undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College in 1978 and my law degree
8 from Duke University in 1981. I am a member of the Vermont Bar Association (of which I
9 served as President in 2002-2003), the Chittenden County Bar Association and the American Bar
10 Association.

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12 **3. Q. Have you previously testified before the Vermont Public Service Board**
13 **(“Board”)?**

14 **A. No.**

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16 **4. Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

17 **A. I describe a dispute between GMP and Entergy concerning outages at the**
18 **Vermont Yankee plant relating to cooling tower failures.**

1 **5. Q. Please describe the dispute.**

2 **A.** During August 2007 and July 2008 there were reductions in the output of the
3 Vermont Yankee plant due to cooling tower failures. GMP and CVPS sought compensation
4 from Entergy for the increased cost of replacement power during these events, which they
5 estimated at approximately \$6.7 million plus interest. After settlement negotiations were
6 unsuccessful, GMP and CVPS sued Entergy in February 2012 for damages relating to these
7 costs. The suit is currently pending in United States District Court for the District of Vermont.

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9 **6. Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

10 **A.** Yes.