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**Vermont Gas Addresses Hinesburg, Monkton Routing Concerns**  
*Pipeline moved to VELCO Corridor, where permitted*

South Burlington, VT – Vermont Gas announced today plans to supplement filings to the Public Service Board on the Addison Natural Gas Project to refine the pipeline route in Hinesburg and Monkton. The initial filing submitted on December 20, 2012 sought permission to route the pipeline on Baldwin Road in Hinesburg, and Pond and Monkton Roads in Monkton.

“We heard from the Monkton and Hinesburg Selectboards that they wanted the pipeline routed in the VELCO corridor instead of the road shoulder,” said Stephen Wark, Director of the Addison Natural Gas Project. “After meetings with both communities, Vermont Gas will propose route refinements primarily into or adjacent to the VELCO corridor. We believe the proposed route refinements will address the Monkton and Hinesburg Town Selectboards’ requests,” Wark said.

The Addison Natural Gas Project will bring natural gas service to the centers of Middlebury, Vergennes, New Haven and Bristol. The project will result in energy savings of \$200 million and a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 300,000 tons over twenty years.

Vermont Gas plans to host an open house in Hinesburg and in Monkton to answer specific questions about the route refinements; the date will be determined after consultation with the respective towns.

“We are very appreciative of these communities’ willingness to discuss the issues and work toward solutions,” Wark said.

This proposed route refinement will form the basis for a supplemental filing that Vermont Gas will submit, by the end of February 2013, to the Vermont Public Service Board (PSB). The PSB has the ultimate authority over the project and provides for community input in their review process. More information on the PSB process may be found in the “Citizens' Guide to the Vermont Public Service Board's Section 248 Process” located at <http://psb.vermont.gov/sites/psb/files/publications>. In addition, Vermont Gas has established a website for the project located at [www.Addisonnaturalgas.com](http://www.Addisonnaturalgas.com)

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About Vermont Gas Systems

Vermont Gas Systems was established in 1965 to supply natural gas to 6,400 customers in Chittenden and Franklin Counties. Over the years, residents and businesses in these communities have recognized natural gas to be a clean, efficient and abundant form of energy. Over 45,000 customers now recognize Vermont Gas' commitment to providing safe, economical service.