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*Agency of Natural Resources*

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VW Environmental Mitigation Trust for State Beneficiaries  
Mr. Russell Crane, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
c/o Wilmington Trust, N.A. as Trustee  
Rodney Square North  
110 North Market Street  
Wilmington, Delaware 19890

Re: State of Vermont VW Settlement – Semiannual Report  
Reporting period June 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019

Dear Mr. Crane,

On November 1, 2017, Vermont filed its Beneficiary Certification Form, and Wilmington Trust (the Trustee) filed a Notice of Beneficiary Designation with the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California, designating Vermont as a Beneficiary on January 29, 2018. Vermont's first funding request was approved by the Trustee on July 15, 2019.

On July 22, 2019, Vermont received its first disbursement of Trust Assets, commencing Vermont's reporting obligations to the Trustee. As per section 5.3 *Beneficiary Reporting Obligations* of the Environmental Mitigation Trust Agreement, each Beneficiary shall submit to the Trustee a semiannual report describing the following:

1. the progress implementing each Eligible Mitigation Action during the six-month period leading up to the reporting date (including a summary of all costs expended on the Eligible Mitigation Action through the reporting date), and
2. the status (including actual or projected termination date), development, implementation, and any modification of each approved Eligible Mitigation Action.

Vermont is grouping all updates of Eligible Mitigation Actions in this single report.

This information is true and correct and this submission is made under penalty of perjury. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me [REDACTED].

Sincerely,



Deirdra Ritzer, Acting Mobile Sources Section Chief  
Department of Environmental Conservation, Air Quality & Climate Division

Beneficiary: State of Vermont  
 Project ID: VW-001  
 Lead Agency: Vermont Agency of Natural Resources  
 VW Environmental Mitigation Trust – Semiannual Report

<b>Payee Recipient:</b>	Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation
<b>Eligible Mitigation Action Title:</b>	9. Light-Duty Zero Emission Vehicle Supply Equipment
<b>Reporting Period Covered:</b>	6/1/2019 - 12/31/2019

<b>Workplan Budget</b>	<b>Administrative</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Total</b>
Total VW Funds Allocated	\$280,381.95	\$2,803,819.50	\$3,084,201.45
Running Total of VW Settlement Funds Received	\$74,083.50	\$800,000.00	\$874,083.50
Total VW Funds Obligated	\$280,381.95	\$1,014,174.00	\$1,294,555.95
Total VW Funds Expended	\$71,898.91	\$42,257.00	\$116,340.50
Total VW Funds on Hand	\$2,184.89	\$757,743.00	\$757,743.00

<b>Summary of Total VW Funds Expended - Administrative (Administrative costs include all personnel and fringe benefits)</b>	
Agency of Commerce & Community Development - Department of Housing & Community Development - Administrative	\$64,168.77
Agency of Natural Resources - Department of Environmental Conservation - Administrative	\$7,730.14
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$71,898.91</b>

<b>Summary of Total VW Funds Expended - EVSE Projects</b>	
Purchase & installation of two (dual port) Level 2 electric vehicle (EV) charging stations in Chester, VT by the Town of Chester	\$24,964.00
Purchase & installation of a dual port Level 2 EV charging station at a park & ride in Highgate, VT by the Town of Highgate	\$17,293.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$42,257.00</b>

**Narrative:** The Vermont Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) Grant Program is administered by the Vermont Department of Housing and Community Development in coordination with the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation, the Agency of Transportation (VTrans), the Public Service Department, and the Department of Health.

In 2019, the EVSE grant program received 141 applications in two grant rounds, requesting over \$4 million in funding. Thirty projects were selected and awarded over \$1 million in funding to install 75 Level 2 and five DC fast charge units located in state designated centers, highway corridors, public park and rides, major attractions and institutions, multi-family housing and workplaces.

The remaining \$1.7 million in VW funding, with an additional \$280,000 of VTrans funding, will support the installation of DC fast charge stations at priority locations on highway corridors helping to fill out geographic gaps in Vermont’s EVSE network. A request for proposals will be announced in January 2020 and is expected to be awarded by late Spring 2020. The projected termination date for this eligible mitigation action is June 2022.