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Following is a list of major topic areas to be addressed in our news and public affairs coverage. Different items may be substituted depending upon current news events unforeseen at the outset of this quarter.

Examples of specific stories are given to help you identify if the topic fits the issue category.

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*6140 AP-VT--Vermont-Beverage Tax,129 Half-cent-per-ounce beverage tax clears Vermont House panel

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) - A Vermont House committee has approved about \$20 million in both new and higher taxes to pay for increasing Medicaid provider payments and other health care-related items.

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The Ways and Means Committee's action significantly reduced the more than \$50 million package passed by the House Health Care Committee. The money goes to toward the higher Medicaid payments that Gov. Peter Shumlin requested in January.

He says Vermont's current Medicaid payments are so low they force health care providers to shift costs onto people with other types of insurance. Some of the money also will help Vermont Health Connect consumers pay out-of-pocket expenses.

The money is raised with a half-cent-per-ounce tax on a wide range of soft drinks, imposing the sales tax on dietary supplements and boosting the cigarette tax.

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HEALTH CONNECT UPDATE LK / VTD 4/8/15

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auditor

Mark Johnson [mark@gmavt.net]
Sent:Thursday, April 16, 2015 11:43 AM
To: News Room; Lee Kittell; Jon Noyes

The state auditor says there are continuing unaddressed problems plaguing the health care exchange web site.

Auditor Doug Hoffer reviewed whether the recommendations that outside consultants made to fix the trouble-plaugued health care exchange were ever put into place.

He said he found mixed results.

What concerns the auditor more is whether the new contractor, Optum, can get the changes and improvements to the web site in place on the timelines the Shumlin administration has proposed. One key deadline is the end of May, which Hoffer said was arbitraty.

Hoffer also said the Legislature should be better informed about progress on the site and Hoffer said it made sense to the state to look at options to the exchange, including using the federal web site.

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Blue Cross

Mark Johnson [mark@gmavt.net]
Sent:Thursday, May 28, 2015 11:36 AM
To: News Room; Lee Kittell; Jon Noyes

The President of the state's largest insurance company says problems with the health care exchange continue and have cost the company money.

Blue Cross Blue Shield President Don George says among the many problems with people trying to obtain coverage or change their coverage, the insurance company has also suffered financially because some Vermonters have not received bills. George says the company expects the state to make good on those payments. He said, however, that the extra work company officials ahve had to do would not be chaged to ratepayers. Instead, he said it was a cost of doing business.

STate officials are looking to the end of may to have corrected one major flaw in the website that doesn't allow people to make changes, such as their address or adding a family member to the plan. But George says the key deadline for his company is the fall, when, if the website is not fully functioning, officials will have to decide whether to go to the federal exchange or work with states that have been able to have fullyl functioning website like Connecticut.

George applauded the patience of Vermonters who have struggled with the website. He said he was not aware of any care being denied, but said he was concerned some Vermonters may have delayed care because they were concerned that because of the website problems that they hey were not covered.

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*6140 AP-VT--Vermont Health Exchange, 2nd Ld-Writethru,130 Officials say update fixes delays in Vermont health exchange

Vermont Gov. Peter Shumlin and other officials have announced the successful completion of a crucial software upgrade for the troubled Vermont Health Connect insurance exchange.

A key problem had been delays and inaccuracies in processing changes of circumstance such as when someone gets married or divorced, has a child or changes jobs.

V-T DIGGER REPORTER MORGAN TRUE TELLS US HOW VERMONT HEALTH CONNECT WILL DEAL WITH THE HUGE BACKLOG OF STATUS REQUESTS.

(MT0601) :59 Q: IN OCTOBER

(TAG!!!)

The next key deadline is Oct. 1 when the system is to be further improved ahead of an open enrollment period beginning in November.

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THE STATE'S LARGEST HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER, BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD, IS SEEKING PAYMENT FROM DOCTORS FOR ACCOUNTS THAT WERE CANCELLED BY VERMONT HEALTH CONNECT.

V-T DIGGER REPORTER MORGAN TRUE HAS MORE.

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BC-VT--Pipeline Plans Change, 119

Vermont Gas Systems changes pipeline construction deadline Eds: APNewsNow.

SOUTH BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) - Vermont Gas Systems officials say the company is once again changing its plans for a natural gas pipeline scheduled to be built from Chittenden County to Addison County.

The South Burlington company told the Vermont Public Service Board that construction on the pipeline will take a year longer than its initially planned completion date. Vermont Gas spokeswoman Beth Parent says the company has known since December that the original late-2015 deadline wouldn't be met.

WVPS-FM reports project cost of \$153.6 million won't be changed. But another year of project management will cost more than \$4 million. The company will reorganize funds and take new cost breaks into consideration to account for the additional sum required by the deadline change.

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AP-VT--Natural Gas Plant, 123 Natural gas company plans to build gas plant at Vermont farm

A Vermont natural gas company has filed a petition to build a renewable gas plant at a Salisbury farm.

(LK0514B)

Lincoln Renewable Natural Gas President Dan Smith tells Vermont Public Radio (http://bit.ly/1JKAa8r) traditional methane digesters will process manure at the Salisbury plant to produce bio-gas. The gas would be upgraded to bio-methane.

Smith says most of the plant's output will serve Middlebury College and the remainder will be sold to Vermont Gas.

The plant has been in the works since 2008 and construction is pending approval from the Vermont Public Service Board. If Lincoln RNG gets permission to build, the plant will be the second of its kind in the United States. Smith hopes to have it up and running by year's end.

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*6140 AP-VT--Gas Plant Proposal, 131

Proposed methane-processing plant converts cow manure to gas

Eds: APNewsNow.

SALISBURY, Vt. (AP) - Lincoln Renewable Gas has proposed bringing a methane-processing plant to Salisbury that would supply 40 percent of Middlebury College's heating needs.

(JN0518A)

The Times Argus reports (http://bit.ly/1Fniy2F) the Montpelier company petitioned the state Public Service Board to approve a bio-methane production facility on land leased from Goodrich Farm.

The plant would convert cow manure from area farms into methane, which would be carried through an underground transmission line to Middlebury College. The energy source would replace about 640,000 gallons of heating oil per year.

Public Service Department officials say the department will investigate the methane pipeline's exact route from Salisbury to Middlebury to determine if the corridor is suitable for development.

Lincoln Renewable Gas President Dan Smith says the Salisbury facility would only be the second such site in the nation.

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Information from: The Times Argus, http://www.timesargus.com/

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BC-VT--Gas Pipeline-Eminent Domain, 130 Vermont Gas starts 2 eminent domain proceedings

Vermont Gas has started eminent domain proceedings against two landowners in Monkton for its natural gas pipeline.

V-T DIGGER REPORTER JOHN HERRICK HAS DETAILS....

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BC-VT--Gas Pipeline-Eminent Domain, 130

Vermont Gas starts 2 eminent domain proceedings

Eds: APNewsNow.

SOUTH BURLINGTON, Vt. (AP) - Vermont Gas has started eminent domain proceedings against two landowners in Monkton for its natural gas pipeline.

The properties are along the route between Colchester and Middlebury in a section that would be constructed next year.

State regulators approved the pipeline in 2013; their certificate of public good gives Vermont Gas the right of eminent domain.

The company says the landowners haven't responded to its efforts to contact them. James Sinclair, a company vice president, said the filings are a last resort and the company is hopeful the landowners will engage with them to reach an agreement. The company didn't name the landowners.

Vermont Gas says it has reached agreements with owners of about 85 percent of the parcels in the pipeline project and is engaged in negotiations with others.

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BC-VT--Vermont-Gas Pipeline, 1st Ld-Writethru,130 Vermont regulators take new look at gas pipeline

The Vermont Public Service Board is again reviewing the permit applications for a Vermont Gas Systems Project in western Vermont.

V-T digger reporter Elizabeth Hewitt has more.

(EH0622) :42 Q: ADDISON COUNTY

VGS President and CEO Don Rendall tells the Public Service Board that the company's plan to extend its system from Chittenden County to Middlebury is far enough along now to forecast costs.

But he says the company has yet to select a contractor to lay the main pipeline on the extended system.

RENDELL IS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR TUESDAY MORNING ON THE MARK JOHNSON SHOW WITH GUEST HOST, FORMER VERMONT GOVERNOR JIM DOUGLAS.

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BC-VT--Municipal Complex-Irene, 124

Town of Waterbury to break ground on municipal complex

Eds: APNewsNow.

WATERBURY, Vt. (AP) - The community of Waterbury, Vermont, is planning to break ground on its new municipal complex next week, more than three years after Tropical Storm Irene devastated the town.

Vermont Public Radio reports (http://bit.ly/1JrNkr9) the project involves adding new construction onto the building that currently houses Waterbury's library and historical society. The new space will accommodate additional town offices and a community meeting room.

Since August 2011, many government services have made do with temporary facilities.

Barbara Farr, who is leading the recovery effort, said construction is expected to be completed by January 2016.

A groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday on Main Street.

Work also is being done on an 86,000-square-foot state office complex to replace what was destroyed in the storm.

Information from: WVPS-FM, http://www.vpr.net

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BC-VT--State Employee Layoffs, 129

Over a dozen Vermont employees expected to lose their jobs

Eds: APNewsNow.

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) - More than a dozen Vermont state employees are expected to be laid off next month as part of the state's first significant job reductions since the recession.

The 14 layoffs are spread across various departments including four in the Department of Taxes; two each in the Agency of Administration, Department of Mental Health and Department of Financial Regulation; and one each in the Secretary of State's office, the state Treasurer's office, the Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Criminal Justice Training Council.

A Human Resources official tells the Burlington Free Press (http://bfpne.ws/1Fw6Uzp) that the layoffs take effect July 11.

Gov. Peter Shumlin's administration also expects to cut 48 vacant positions and a number of employees are expected to retire through an incentive program, leaving 225 jobs vacant.

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(CV0507A) :38 Q: HIGHER TAXES

WE WILL HEAR MORE FROM THE GOVERNOR AND TOP LAWMAKERS DURING THE MARK JOHNSON SHOW BROADCAST FRIDAY LIVE FROM THE STATEHOUSE IN MONTPELIER AT 9:05.

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LAWMAKERS ARE EYEING ELECTRONIC CIGARETTE PURCHASES AS ANOTHER POSSIBLE REVENUE STREAM.

V-T DIGGER REPORTER MORGAN TRUE HAS THE STORY.

(MT0504) 1:05 Q: DOLLAR BILL

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GOVERNOR PETER SHUMLIN AND DEMOCRATS IN THE LEGISLATURE CONTINUE TO BE AT ODDS OVER THE STATE'S BUDGET.

THE GOVERNOR HAS BEEN URGING LAWMAKERS TO REDUCE SPENDING IN ORDER TO PREVENT TAX HIKES.

SPEAKING ON THE MARK JOHNSON SHOW, SHUMLIN EXPLAINED HOW MANY VERMONTERS ARE PERCEIVING THE LEGISLATURE RIGHT NOW.

(SHUM0501)

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IN LIGHT OF SIGNIFICANT BUDGET DEFICITS, THE VERMONT SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION IS PREPARING TO UNVEIL A PLAN THAT WOULD OFFER RETIREMENT INCENTIVES TO SOME STATE EMPLOYEES.

V-T DIGGER REPORTER ELIZABETH HEWITT HAS MORE.

(EH0420) 1:14 q: down significantly

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Mark Johnson [mark@gmavt.net]
Sent:Wednesday, April 15, 2015 11:22 AM
To: News Room; Lee Kittell; Jon Noyes

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the new head of Vermont public television says proposed budget cuts are coming at a particulary bad time..

Holly Groshner began as the head of Vermont PBS two months ago with high hopes to expand the amount of Vermont based programming.

However, as part of the effort to close a budget gap, the Legislature and governor are looking at the reduction of several hundred thousand dollars in state support for the station, which has an operating budget of approx 6.5 million.

Groshner says they will try to make up any reduction through an increase in viewer donation, but she says the cuts will hamper efforts to expand local parogramming.

Groshner says is unsure what other reductions Vermont PBS can make. jnoy for many Vermonters, VErmont PBS is their primary connection to the outside world. She said more than 11,000 children are regular viewers of programs like sesame street.

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VERMONT REVENUES-MARCH



Vermont general fund and transportation revenues up in March

MONTPELIER, Vt. (AP) - The state of Vermont says revenues for the General and Transportation funds came in higher than expected last month.

But figures released Friday by Administration Secretary Justin Johnson says the Education Fund was below target.

Johnson says the General Fund revenues were almost 5.5 percent above the monthly target. So far in the fiscal year that ends in June, General Fund revenues are 1.26 percent above target.

The Transportation Fund was 5.1 percent ahead of forecasts. For the fiscal year, the fund is 0.07 percent below target.

The Education Fund almost 3.9 percent below its monthly target. For the fiscal year, the Education fund is 0.19 percent below target.

Johnson says that all three funds are well ahead of last year.

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VERMONTERS MAY NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE STATE LAW LIBRARY IF PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS TAKE PLACE. MARTHA REID IS VERMONT STATE LIBRARIAN:

MR0401 q= the first place we're making cuts. 815EC

IF THE LAW LIBRARY IS CLOSED TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC, VERMONT WILL BECOME THE ONLY STATE DENYING PUBLIC ACCESS TO A STATE LAW LIBRARY.

MARTHA REID MADE HER COMMENTS ON THE MARK JOHNSON SHOW.

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HOURS AFTER VERMONT U-S SENATOR BERNIE SANDERS RELEASED INFORMATION ABOUT HIS CAMPAIGN KICKOFF IN BURLINGTON, VERMONT GOVERNOR PETER SHUMLIN TWEETED HIS SUPPORT FOR SANDERS' OPPONENT HILLARY CLINTON.

THUR SOAY

SPEAKING ON THE MARK JOHNSON SHOW TODAY, SHUMLIN EXPLAINED WHY HE IS IN THE CLINTON CAMP.

(SHUM0521)

SHUMLIN MAINTAINED HE HAS A VERY GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH SANDERS.

(SHUM0521A)

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THE GOVERNOR SPOKE WITH MARK AT THE VERMONT BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY EXPO IN SOUTH BURLINGTON, TODAY.

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SCOTT FOR GOVERNOR? 5/28/15 LK / CV

WILL LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR PHIL SCOTT RUN FOR THE STATE'S HIGHEST OFFICE?
WCAXTV'S CAT VIGLIENZONI HAS MORE.

(CV0528A) :19 Q: IN HIS DECISION

SCOTT IS SCHEDULED TO BE A GUEST AT 10:30 THIS MORNING ON THE MARK JOHNSON SHOW HERE ON WDEV FM & AM.

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BC-VT--Shumlin-Not Running, 124 URGENT

Vermont Gov. Peter Shumlin says he won't run for a fourth, two-year term next year.

Morgan True of VTDigger.org reports on this unexpected announcement.

(MT0608) 1:17 Q: FOCUSED ON

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The 59-year-old Shumlin was first elected in 2010. He said he never had any desire to be a full-time politician, and said he'll return to the business world.

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Mark Johnson [mark@gmavt.net] **Sent:**Tuesday, June 09, 2015 11:36 AM To: News Room; Lee Kittell; Jon Noyes

Governor Peter Shumlin says he's always planned on serving six years. WS 06 09

The governor announced Monday that he would not seek re-election a year and a half from now, saying he had accomplished almost everything he set out to do, except for major health care reform. Shumlin said if he had been successful introducing a single payer plan. he would have run a fourth time to make sure it was implemented. But he said his plan all along was to serve three terms.

Shumlin, who's approval rating stood at 41 percent in the most recent poll, acknowledged that having his last election so close was not how he wanted to end his electoral career, but he insisted after January 2017, he will be done with politics.

Shumlin said he is not making his announcement earlier, citing the examples of Howard Dean and Jim Douglas who he said made similar announments that they would not run at the end of the summer of the year before the election. Madeline Kunin, however, announced she wasn't running 9 months ahead of the election.

The governor ticked off a number of accomplishments, including a low uemploynemt rate, an increase in renewable energy, universal pre-k eduction and internet coverage expansion. Shumlin said he has been incredibly fortunate to become governor after being a poor student who struggled with dyslexia. he said he would return to putney and to his family travel business and other business pursuits.

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Lee Kittell

From:

Mark Johnson <mark@gmavt.net>

Sent:

Wednesday, June 10, 2015 11:26 AM

To:

News Room; Lee Kittell

Subject:

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A leading politial analyst says there are two leading candidates for governor others will wait and watch.

Political analyst Eric Davis says he expects Democratic candidates will wait and see whether Congressman Peter Welch wants to return to Vermont and that Republicans will wait to see whether Lt Gov Phil Scott wants to seek the top spot. Davis said those are the only two candidates likely to not face a primary challenge if they decide to step into the race.

On Monday, Governor Peter Shumlin said he would not seek a fourth term in 2016, setting off a wave of annoucements of interest by many of the state's political leaders. Welch's chief of state says the congressman will likely seek another term in Congress, but hasn't ruled out running for governor, which he did in 1990, losing to Richard Snelling. Scott has said he is considering a run for governor in 2016.

Davis, in an interview with Radio Vermont, dismissed Shumlin's ciaim he always wanted to serve only six years. Davis also said he hoped there would be more female candidates, mentioning Transportation Secretary Sue Minter and Stowe Representaive Heide Shuerman.