Form **990**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)
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A For the 2025 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending

B Check if applicable:
- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Final return/ terminated
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

C Name of organization
Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Doing business as

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) | Room/suite
42 Wescom Road

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code
Johnson VT 05656

D Employer identification number
03-0164375

E Telephone number
802-635-2331

G Gross receipts$ **110,884,075**

F Name and address of principal officer:
Rebecca Towne
42 Wescom Road
Johnson VT 05656

H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No

H(b) Are all subordinates included? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "No," attach a list. See instructions.

I Tax-exempt status: ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c) (**12**) (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

J Website: **www.vermontelectric.coop**

H(c) Group exemption number

K Form of organization: ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other | **L** Year of formation: **1938** | **M** State of legal domicile: **VT**

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities:
Vermont Electric Cooperative is a member owned not-for-profit utility whose mission is to provide safe, affordable, and reliable energy services to its members.

2 Check this box ☐ if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.

Activities & Governance	**3** Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	**3**	**12**
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	**4**	**12**
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2025 (Part V, line 2a)	**5**	**119**
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	**6**	**0**
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	**7a**	**0**
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	**7b**	**0**

		Prior Year	Current Year
Revenue	**8** Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)		**0**
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	**97,554,674**	**104,067,654**
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	**6,351,408**	**6,797,198**
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)		**0**
	12 Total revenue – add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	**103,906,082**	**110,864,852**
Expenses	**13** Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)		**0**
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	**4,443,580**	**5,293,949**
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	**13,723,582**	**14,758,376**
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		**0**
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) **0**		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24e)	**85,738,920**	**90,812,527**
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	**103,906,082**	**110,864,852**
	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12		**0**

		Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
Net Assets or Fund Balances	**20** Total assets (Part X, line 16)	**233,604,394**	**243,378,721**
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	**136,320,920**	**141,676,337**
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	**97,283,474**	**101,702,384**

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer — Date

Caroline Mashia CFO
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check ☐ if self-employed	PTIN
William Keyser, CPA	**William Keyser, CPA**	**05/11/26**		**P01584285**

Firm's name **Kittell, Branagan & Sargent** — Firm's EIN **03-0302296**

Firm's address **154 N. Main St. St. Albans, VT 05478** — Phone no. **802-524-9531**

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ☒ Yes ☐ No

Part III **Statement of Program Service Accomplishments**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☐

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Vermont Electric Cooperative is a member owned not-for-profit whose mission is to provide safe, affordable, and reliable energy services to its members.

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported.

4a (Code:) (Expenses $ including grants of$) (Revenue $)

Providing reliable electric service to approximately 41,273 metered accounts, with sales of approximately 481,584 MWH's.

4b (Code:) (Expenses $ including grants of$) (Revenue $)

N/A

4c (Code:) (Expenses $ including grants of$) (Revenue $)

N/A

4d Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)

(Expenses $ including grants of$) (Revenue $)

4e Total program service expenses

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

			Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule A*	**1**		X
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions	**2**		X
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I*	**3**		X
4	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II*	**4**		
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? *If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III*	**5**		X
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I*	**6**		X
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II*	**7**		X
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III*	**8**		X
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability; serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV*	**9**		X
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V*	**10**		X
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X, as applicable.			
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI*	**11a**	X	
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII*	**11b**	X	
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII*	**11c**		X
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX*	**11d**		X
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X*	**11e**	X	
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X*	**11f**	X	
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII*	**12a**	X	
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? *If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional*	**12b**		X
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule E*	**13**		X
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	**14a**		X
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than $10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at $100,000 or more? *If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV*	**14b**		X
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than $5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? *If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV*	**15**		X
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than $5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? *If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV*	**16**		X
17	Did the organization report a total of more than $15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? *If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I.* See instructions	**17**		X
18	Did the organization report more than $15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II*	**18**		X
19	Did the organization report more than $15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III*	**19**		X
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? *If "Yes," complete Schedule H*	**20a**		X
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	**20b**		
21	Did the organization report more than $5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? *If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II*	**21**		X

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(continued)*

			Yes	No
22	Did the organization report more than $5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? *If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III*	22		X
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J*	23	X	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than $100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? *If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a*	24a		X
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	**Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.** Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I*	25a		
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I*	25b		
26	Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II*	26		X
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III*	27		X
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (See the Schedule L, Part IV, instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions).			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28a		X
b	A family member of any individual described in line 28a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28b		X
c	A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? *If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV*	28c		X
29	Did the organization receive more than $25,000 in noncash contributions? *If "Yes," complete Schedule M*	29		X
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? *If "Yes," complete Schedule M*	30		X
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? *If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I*	31		X
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? *If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II*	32		X
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I*	33		X
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1*	34		X
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		X
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2*	35b		
36	**Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2*	36		
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? *If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI*	37		X
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? **Note:** All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O.	38	X	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V ☐

				Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	114		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c			

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance *(continued)*

				Yes	No
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	**2a**	**119**		
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	**2b**		X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of $1,000 or more during the year?	**3a**			X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? *If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O*	**3b**			
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	**4a**			X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).				
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	**5a**			X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	**5b**			X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	**5c**			
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than $100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	**6a**			X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	**6b**			
7	**Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).**				
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of $75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	**7a**			
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	**7b**			
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	**7c**			
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	**7d**			
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	**7e**			
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	**7f**			
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	**7g**			
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	**7h**			
8	**Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.** Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	**8**			
9	**Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.**				
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	**9a**			
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	**9b**			
10	**Section 501(c)(7) organizations.** Enter:				
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	**10a**			
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	**10b**			
11	**Section 501(c)(12) organizations.** Enter:				
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	**11a**	**101,613,937**		
b	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	**11b**	**7,090,408**		
12a	**Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.** Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	**12a**			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	**12b**			
13	**Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.**				
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? **Note:** See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	**13a**			
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	**13b**			
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	**13c**			
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	**14a**			X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? *If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O*	**14b**			
15	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than $1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see the instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	**15**			X
16	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	**16**			X
17	**Section 501(c)(21) organizations.** Did the trust, or any disqualified or other person, engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952, or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	**17**			

Part VI **Governance, Management, and Disclosure.** *For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions.*

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI X

Section A. Governing Body and Management

				Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	1a	12		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.				
b	Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	12		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2			X
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3			X
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4			X
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5			X
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6		X	
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a		X	
b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b		X	
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:				
a	The governing body?	8a		X	
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b		X	
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? *If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O*	9			X

Section B. Policies *(This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)*

			Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	X	
b	Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.			
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? *If "No," go to line 13*	12a	X	
b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	X	
c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? *If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done*	12c	X	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	X	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	X	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?			
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	X	
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	X	
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions.			
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b	X	

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed **None**

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, if applicable), 990, and 990-T (section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.

X Own website ☐ Another's website X Upon request ☐ Other *(explain on Schedule O)*

19 Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.

20 State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records.

Caroline Mashia **42 Wescom Road**
Johnson **VT 05656** **802-730-1153**

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII ☐

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than $100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than $100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than $10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

☐ Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) **Rebecca Towne**	54.00									
CEO	0.00			X				300,812	0	50,412
(2) **Peter Rossi**	50.00									
COO	0.00			X				208,268	0	53,456
(3) **Caroline Mashia**	50.00									
CFO	0.00			X				216,298	0	43,428
(4) **Chad Lanou**	51.00									
1st Class Lineworker	0.00					X		216,129	0	42,946
(5) **Chris Connelley**	53.00									
1st Class Lineworker	0.00					X		207,965	0	24,732
(6) **Alan Esposito**	51.00									
1st Class Lineworker	0.00					X		209,680	0	13,762
(7) **Joshua McCoy**	53.00									
1st Class Lineworker	0.00					X		210,425	0	12,498
(8) **Tyler Young**	50.00									
1st Class Lineworker	0.00					X		191,541	0	13,169
(9) **Ken Hoeppner**	4.00									
Director	0.00	X						12,080	0	7
(10) **Charlie Van Winkle**	8.00									
Treasurer	0.00	X		X				11,105	0	16
(11) **George Lague**	5.00									
Director	0.00	X						10,125	0	16

Part VII **Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees** *(continued)*

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(12) Paul Lambert	5.00									
1st Vice President	0.00	X		X				9,855	0	0
(13) Rich Goggin	10.00									
President	0.00	X		X				9,605	0	16
(14) Jeffery Wilson	5.00									
Director	0.00	X						9,555	0	16
(15) Carol Maroni	6.00									
2nd Vice President	0.00	X		X				8,750	0	16
(16) Mark Woodward	5.00									
Director	0.00	X						8,580	0	16
(17) Bonnie Pratt	2.00									
Director	0.00	X						8,500	0	16
(18) Jody Dunklee	2.50									
Secretary	0.00	X		X				7,830	0	16
(19) Thomas Bailey	3.00									
Director	0.00	X						7,150	0	665
1b Subtotal								1,864,253		255,203
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								7,625		
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								1,871,878		255,203

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **83**

		Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*	3		X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than $150,000? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*	4	X	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person*	5		X

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
Riggs Distler & Company, Inc PO Box 787696 Philadelphia PA 19178	Construction	2,163,680
H Bros. Tree Service LLC 8484 VT Rte 15 Hardwick VT 05843	Tree Clearing	1,518,003
Xylem, LLC 150 Granby St. Norfolk VA 23510	Tree Trimming	1,496,200
Trees, LLC 1700 Solutions Center Chicago IL 60677	Tree Clearing	935,735
John Lucas Tree Expert Co PO BOX 958 Portland ME 04104	Tree Clearing	769,230

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization **17**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII ☐

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants, and Other Similar Amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a				
	b Membership dues	1b				
	c Fundraising events	1c				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	1g	$			
	h **Total.** Add lines 1a–1f					
Program Service Revenue		Business Code				
	2a **Electric Operating Income**	221000	103,774,444	103,774,444		
	b **Non-Operating Income**	221000	293,210	293,210		
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue					
	g **Total.** Add lines 2a–2f		104,067,654			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		6,763,720			6,763,720
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties					
		(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	6a Gross rents 6a					
	b Less: rental expenses 6b					
	c Rental inc. or (loss) 6c					
	d Net rental income or (loss)					
		(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory 7a		52,701			
	b Less: cost or other basis and sales exps. 7b		19,223			
	c Gain or (loss) 7c		33,478			
	d Net gain or (loss)		33,478	33,478		
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including $ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 8a					
	b Less: direct expenses 8b					
	c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
	9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 9a					
	b Less: direct expenses 9b					
	c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities					
	10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances 10a					
	b Less: cost of goods sold 10b					
	c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory					
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
	11a					
	b					
	c					
	d All other revenue					
	e **Total.** Add lines 11a–11d					
	12 **Total revenue.** See instructions		110,864,852	104,101,132	0	6,763,720

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns. All other organizations must complete column (A).

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part IX ☐

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members	5,293,949			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	708,146			
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	10,219,324			
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	1,319,112			
9 Other employee benefits	1,741,648			
10 Payroll taxes	770,146			
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management				
b Legal	122,613			
c Accounting	65,000			
d Lobbying	45,957			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	445,088			
12 Advertising and promotion				
13 Office expenses	1,118,339			
14 Information technology	1,507,380			
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	140,796			
17 Travel	833,310			
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	194,515			
20 Interest	5,472,745			
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	6,847,416			
23 Insurance				
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a Purchased Power	44,387,518			
b Transmission	17,006,316			
c Tree Trimming Expense	4,261,403			
d Property Tax Expense	3,931,541			
e All other expenses	4,432,590			
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	110,864,852	0	0	0
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X ☐

			(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		1	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments	662,493	2	807,226
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4	Accounts receivable, net	19,898,204	4	21,811,488
	5	Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		5	
	6	Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)		6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use	7,997,281	8	8,002,011
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	1,570,780	9	1,093,681
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D — 10a: 229,118,616			
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation — 10b: 78,940,782	143,969,119	10c	150,177,834
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	46,710,513	12	49,309,063
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	6,431,123	13	5,561,259
	14	Intangible assets		14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	6,364,881	15	6,616,159
	16	**Total assets.** Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33)	233,604,394	16	243,378,721
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	14,035,367	17	17,359,532
	18	Grants payable		18	
	19	Deferred revenue	988,104	19	783,296
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22	Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons		22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	120,830,938	23	123,127,675
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25	Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	466,511	25	405,834
	26	**Total liabilities.** Add lines 17 through 25	136,320,920	26	141,676,337
Net Assets or Fund Balances		**Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☐ and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.**			
	27	Net assets without donor restrictions		27	
	28	Net assets with donor restrictions		28	
		Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here ☒ and complete lines 29 through 33.			
	29	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		29	
	30	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		30	
	31	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds	97,283,474	31	101,702,384
	32	Total net assets or fund balances	97,283,474	32	101,702,384
	33	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	233,604,394	33	243,378,721

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI ..... [X]

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	110,864,852
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	110,864,852
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	0
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	97,283,474
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	9	4,418,910
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	101,702,384

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII ..... [ ]

			Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: [ ] Cash [X] Accrual [ ] Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.			
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. [ ] Separate basis [ ] Consolidated basis [ ] Both consolidated and separate basis	2a		X
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both. [X] Separate basis [ ] Consolidated basis [ ] Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	X	
c	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.	2c	X	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F?	3a	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits	3b	X	

Part VII **Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees** *(continued)*

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/ 1099-MISC/ 1099-NEC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(20) William Gilbert										
(12)	**5.00**									
Director	**0.00**	**X**						**7,625**	**0**	**0**
(13)										
(14)										
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
1b Subtotal								**7,625**		
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)										

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization

		Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any **former** officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*	**3**		
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than $150,000? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual*	**4**		
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? *If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person*	**5**		

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than $100,000 of compensation from the organization

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Financial Statements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.
Attach to Form 990.
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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Employer identification number

03-0164375

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

		(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year		
2	Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)		
3	Aggregate value of grants from (during year)		
4	Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Part II Conservation Easements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

☐ Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or education) ☐ Preservation of a historically important land area
☐ Protection of natural habitat ☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

		Held at the End of the Tax Year
a	Total number of conservation easements	2a
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included on line 2a	2c
d	Number of conservation easements included on line 2c acquired after July 25, 2006, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? ☐ Yes ☐ No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conversation easements during the year

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year $

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2d above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9 In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.

b If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items.

(i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 $

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X $

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 958 relating to these items.

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 $

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X $

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets *(continued)*

3 Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that make significant use of its collection items (check all that apply).

- **a** ☐ Public exhibition
- **b** ☐ Scholarly research
- **c** ☐ Preservation for future generations
- **d** ☐ Loan or exchange program
- **e** ☐ Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table.

		Amount
c Beginning balance	**1c**	
d Additions during the year	**1d**	
e Distributions during the year	**1e**	
f Ending balance	**1f**	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII ☐

Part V Endowment Funds

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:

- **a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ____ %
- **b** Permanent endowment ____ %
- **c** Term endowment ____ %

The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:

		Yes	No
(i) Unrelated organizations?	**3a(i)**		
(ii) Related organizations?	**3a(ii)**		
b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	**3b**		

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land		1,346,938		1,346,938
b Buildings		7,194,235	2,416,427	4,777,808
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		82,039,492	36,625,658	45,413,834
e Other		138,537,951	39,898,697	98,639,254
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. *(Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))*				150,177,834

Part VII Investments – Other Securities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely held equity interests		
(3) Other Vermont Electric Power Co. Sto	48,778,320	Cost
(A) NE Hydro Transmission Stock	530,743	Cost
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 12, col. (B))*	49,309,063	

Part VIII Investments – Program Related

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 13, col. (B))*		

Part IX Other Assets

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B))*	

Part X Other Liabilities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) Deferred Compensation	405,834
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. *(Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 25, col. (B))*	405,834

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FASB ASC 740. Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII X

Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements			1	117,190,057
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:				
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a			
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b			
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	6,570,249		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d			2e	6,570,249
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1			3	110,619,808
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:				
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	245,044		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b			4c	245,044
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)*			5	110,864,852

Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements			1	111,896,108
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:				
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a			
b	Prior year adjustments	2b			
c	Other losses	2c			
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	6,570,249		
e	Add lines 2a through 2d			2e	6,570,249
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1			3	105,325,859
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:				
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a			
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b	5,538,993		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b			4c	5,538,993
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. *(This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)*			5	110,864,852

Part XIII Supplemental Information

Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Part X - Line 2 - FIN 48 Footnote
Consideration has been given to uncertain tax positions. The federal income tax returns for the years ended after December 31, 2022, remain open for potential examination by major tax jurisdictions, generally for three years after they were filed.

Part XI, Line 2d - Revenue Amounts Included in Financials - Other
Excess Sales for Resale and REC's $ 6,570,249

Part XI, Line 4b - Revenue Amounts Included on Return - Other
Offsetting related electric non-operating income $ 245,044

Part XII, Line 2d - Expense Amounts Included in Financials - Other
Excess Sales for Resale and REC's $ 6,570,249

Part XII, Line 4b - Expense Amounts Included on Return - Other
Offsetting related electric non-operating income $ 245,044
Net Margins available to Members $ 5,293,949

Part XIII Supplemental Information *(continued)*

SCHEDULE J
(Form 990)
(Rev. December 2024)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.
Attach to Form 990.
Go to *www.irs.gov/Form990* for instructions and the latest information.

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Name of the organization

Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.

Employer identification number

03-0164375

Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

			Yes	No
1a	Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.			
	☐ First-class or charter travel	☐ Housing allowance or residence for personal use		
	☐ Travel for companions	☐ Payments for business use of personal residence		
	☐ Tax indemnification and gross-up payments	☐ Health or social club dues or initiation fees		
	☐ Discretionary spending account	☐ Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef)		
b	If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b		
2	Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?	2		
3	Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.			
	☐ Compensation committee	☒ Written employment contract		
	☒ Independent compensation consultant	☒ Compensation survey or study		
	☐ Form 990 of other organizations	☒ Approval by the board or compensation committee		
4	During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:			
a	Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?	4a		X
b	Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?	4b		X
c	Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement?	4c		X
	If "Yes" to any of lines 4a–c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.			
	Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5–9.			
5	For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:			
a	The organization?	5a		
b	Any related organization?	5b		
	If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.			
6	For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:			
a	The organization?	6a		
b	Any related organization?	6b		
	If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.			
7	For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7		
8	Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8		
9	If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?	9		

Part II **Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)–(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

	(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)–(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
			(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
	Rebecca Towne	(i)	294,590	4,616	1,606	21,471	28,941	351,224	0
1	CEO	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Peter Rossi	(i)	201,052	3,688	3,528	15,152	38,304	261,724	0
2	COO	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Caroline Mashia	(i)	202,260	3,696	10,342	15,653	27,775	259,726	0
3	CFO	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Chad Lanou	(i)	215,411	0	718	40,685	2,261	259,075	0
4	1st Class Lineworker	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Chris Connelley	(i)	205,384	0	2,581	9,929	14,803	232,697	0
5	1st Class Lineworker	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Alan Esposito	(i)	209,385	0	295	10,229	3,533	223,442	0
6	1st Class Lineworker	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Joshua McCoy	(i)	209,993	0	432	10,579	1,919	222,923	0
7	1st Class Lineworker	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Tyler Young	(i)	191,350	0	191	0	13,169	204,710	0
8	1st Class Lineworker	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		(i)							
9		(ii)							
		(i)							
10		(ii)							
		(i)							
11		(ii)							
		(i)							
12		(ii)							
		(i)							
13		(ii)							
		(i)							
14		(ii)							
		(i)							
15		(ii)							
		(i)							
16		(ii)							

Part III Supplemental Information

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. Go to *www.irs.gov/Form990* for instructions and the latest information.	Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization	Employer identification number
Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc.	03-0164375

Form 990, Part VI, Line 6 – Classes of Members or Stockholders
The Cooperative has members who are also the Consumers of the Electricity sold by the Cooperative

Form 990, Part VI, Line 7a - Election of Members and Their Rights
VEC has members who vote to elect a director to represent their district.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 7b - Decisions Subject to Approval of Members
Yes, the Cooperative needs approval from members to make changes to the bylaws or articles of incorporation.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 11b - Organization's Process to Review Form 990
The form is prepared by the Cooperatives indepedent auditing firm and then reviewed in detail by VEC's Accounting Manager and Controller. After the review is complete, the Form 990 is sent to the CEO, CFO and VEC's Board of Directors for their review, prior to submission.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 12c - Enforcement of Conflicts Policy
Board Policy B.4 was initially approved on 1/25/2000 and was reviewed and revised on 6/24/2014. The policy covers all Board Members of Vermont Electric Cooperative, Inc. (VEC). Additionally, all members of the Board are provided an IRS Form 990 questionnaire annually for completion and the responses are reviewed by VEC's Finance Department for completeness. The Board is responsible for enforcement of this policy on an ongoing basis. The Board's policy provides all the requirements to be met by Directors and the process by which a violation will be handled. All Directors are required to sign this policy. VEC also has a Management Policy for Conflict of Interest that was approved on 4/16/2014 and reviewed by the Board of Directors on 5/12/2014. The policy covers all employees of VEC. All officers, highly compensated employees and key employees complete the IRS Form 990 Questionnaire annually. In addition, Human Resources provides a copy of VEC's Conflict of Interest Policy to employees during the on-boarding process. VEC review's the details of the policy and obtains the employee's initials that the information has been reviewed. Previous to the formal policy adotpion, VEC posted the Conflict of Interest Policy for employees on the internet. The CEO is responsible for the administration and enforcement of this policy.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 15a - Compensation Process for Top Official
The CEO's compensation is performance based. The Board of Directors, sets the CEO's goals and does an assessment during the annual performance evaluation. These are derived from VEC's Strategic Plan and other objectives. The percentage requested is based on 1) assessed performance and 2) strategic competitiveness compared to CEO's statewide and in similarly-sized Electric Cooperatives. The Board of Directors awards or modifies the percentage based on its assessment of CEO performance. The CEO is also eligible for the Manager Incentive Program (MIP) bonus, which is based on company-wide performance metrics. Fifty percent of the bonus pool is proportional to base pay. The other 50% is divided based on performance.

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Form 990, Part VI, Line 15b - Compensation Process for Officers
Starting compensation for officers and non-union employees is determined by comparison of statewide and Electric Cooperative salary survey data and strategic competitiveness for excellent candidates. VEC strives to be approximately in the 50th percentile overall.
The pool for officer and non-union raises is based on the percent increase the union has negotiated for the upcoming year. That percentage determines the average raise. Individual raises are determined based on a) performance and b) equity, both within statewide and Electric Cooperative salary surveys and along demographic comparisons.
Each manager is assigned a raise pool proportional to the existing salary structure. The CEO evaluates the performance of their direct reports and assigns raises accordingly. Senior managers follow a similar pattern for their reports.

Form 990, Part VI, Line 19 - Governing Documents Disclosure Explanation
VEC Bylaws are posted on the website, governing documents are available upon member request. VEC Financial Statements are available on the website, at the annual meeting or upon request.

Form 990, Part XI, Line 9 - Other Changes in Net Assets Explanation

2025	Net Margins	$ 5,293,949
2025	Patronage Retirements	$ -875,039
	Total	$ 4,418,910