

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
15 December 2015**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Vertex Energy, Inc.**

**File No. 1-11476 -- CF# 32981**

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Vertex Energy, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 8-K filed on September 21, 2015, as amended on November 10, 2015.

Based on representations by Vertex Energy, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.2                      through April 1, 2022

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

Brent J. Fields  
Secretary