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BY HAND DELIVERY TO:

Pamela Monroe, Administrator
NH Site Evaluation Committee
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Northern Pass
SEC Docket No. 2015-06

Joint Petition to Intervene by Certain New Hampshire State Legislators

Dear Ms. Monroe:

Enclosed for filing with the Site Evaluation Committee in the above-captioned proceeding, please find the original signed copy of a Joint Petition to Intervene by Certain New Hampshire State Legislators.

Electronic copies of the enclosed petition are being sent by e-mail to the electronic distribution list for this docket.

Respectfully submitted,



Rep. Susan Ford
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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
BEFORE THE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

Joint Application of Northern Pass Transmission, LLC and Public Service Company
of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy, for a Certificate of Site and Facility
for the Construction of a New High Voltage Transmission Line in New Hampshire

Docket No. 2015-06

Joint Petition to Intervene by Certain New Hampshire State Legislators

The undersigned New Hampshire state legislators hereby petition the Site Evaluation Committee to allow us to intervene in the above-captioned matter, in accordance with RSA 541-A:32 and New Hampshire Administrative Rule Site 202.11. In support of this petition, we say:

1. Many of us represent towns through which the proposed Northern Pass project, if built, would pass. All of us have an interest in protecting one of New Hampshire's greatest assets, its natural beauty. And all of us have an interest in the Committee's interpretation of the new "public interest" standard incorporated in RSA 162-H:16, IV(e), as amended in the 2014 session of the Legislature.
2. Many of our constituents have expressed serious concerns about the Joint Applicants' proposal to construct a 192-mile high-voltage electric transmission line from Pittsburg to Deerfield, insofar as more than two-thirds of the line is proposed to be built above ground.
3. We note that:
 - (a) The above-ground portion of the line would consist of high voltage transmission lines strung on steel towers rising to heights of 135 feet or more, far above the surrounding tree-line and visible for miles;
 - (b) The project is not needed for grid reliability;
 - (c) Although the project would primarily benefit southern New England population centers, its costs—in marred natural

landscapes and streetscapes, reduced property values, and damaged livelihoods and quality of life—would be borne by New Hampshire communities, unless the line is buried; and

(d) The current proposal by the Joint Applicants also creates severe imbalances between those communities in which the line is now proposed to be buried (and whose property values and quality of life will thus not be as negatively affected to the same extreme degree) and those communities in which the towers and wires will be plainly and dominantly visible above ground (and whose residents will thus be exposed to much more negative effects on both property values and quality of life).

4. The undersigned legislators will accept all procedural guidelines established by the Committee for the conduct of the proceedings, and the interests of justice and the orderly conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing this intervention.

WHEREFORE, we respectfully request that the Committee allow us to intervene in this docket, and pray for such other and further relief as may be just and reasonable.

Respectfully submitted,

New Hampshire State Legislators undersigned on the following Signature Pages:

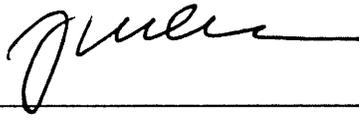
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New Hampshire State Representatives shown by County:

Coos, Grafton, Carroll, Merrimack, Belknap, Strafford, Rockingham, Cheshire,
and Sullivan

New Hampshire State Senators

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Sen. Jeff Woodburn

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Sen. Jeanie Forrester

District 21



Sen. Martha Fuller Clark

DISTRICT 10



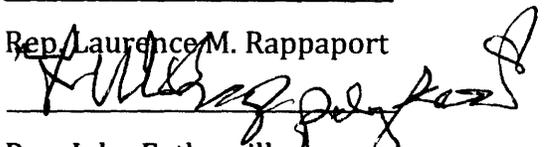
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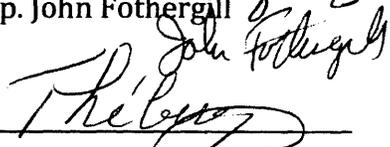
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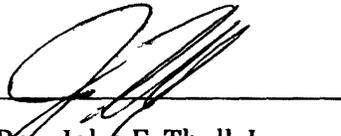
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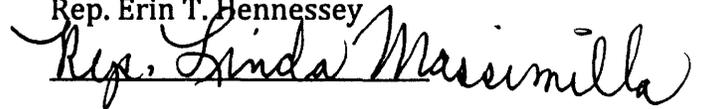
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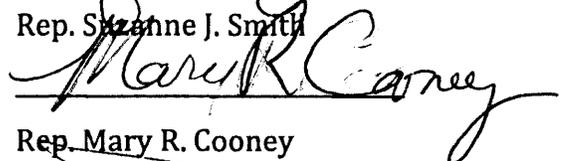
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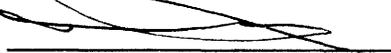
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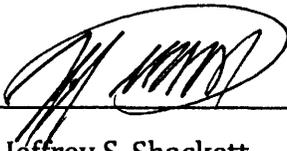


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Alexandria, Ashland, Bridgewater, Bristol,
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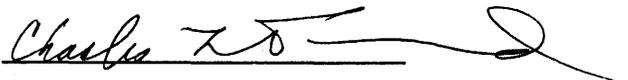
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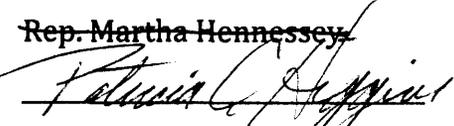
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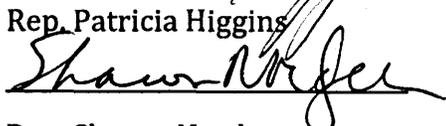


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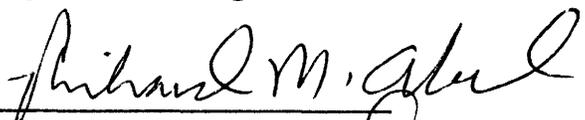

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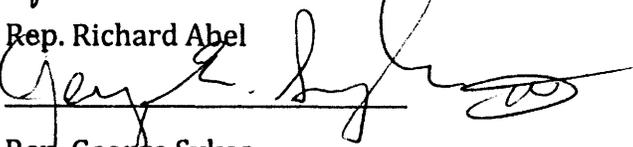
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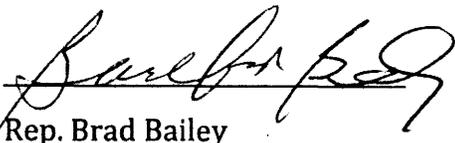


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Rep. George Sykes

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Lyman, Monroe, Sugar Hill



Rep. Brad Bailey

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New Hampshire State Representatives—Grafton County

Grafton 7

Campton

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Rep. Eric Johnson

Grafton 16
Canaan, Dorchester, Ellsworth, Groton,
Orange, Rumney, Thornton, Wentworth



Rep. Duane Brown

Grafton 17
Alexandria, Ashland, Bridgewater, Bristol,
Enfield, Grafton



Rep. Stephen Darrow

New Hampshire State Representatives—Carroll County:

Carroll 1
Bartlett, Hart's Location, Jackson

Rep. Gene G. Chandler

Carroll 2
Chatham, Conway, Easton, Hale's Location

Rep. Thomas L. Buco

Rep. Karen C. Umberger

Carroll 7
Albany, Bartlett, Chatham, Conway, Eaton,
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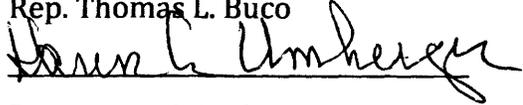
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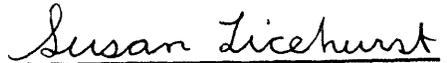
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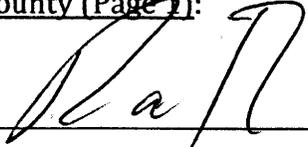
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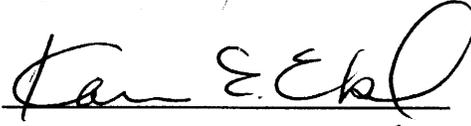
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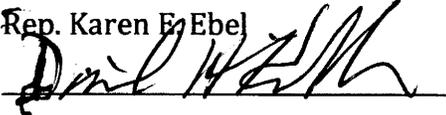
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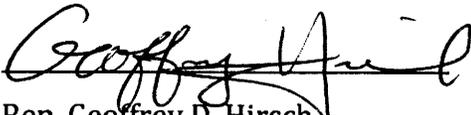
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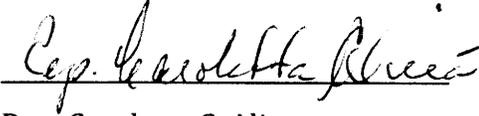
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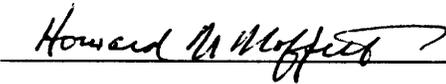
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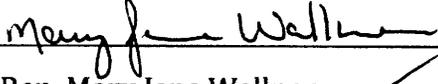
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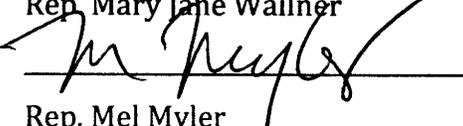


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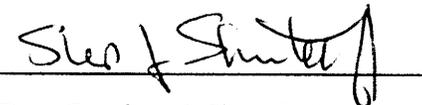
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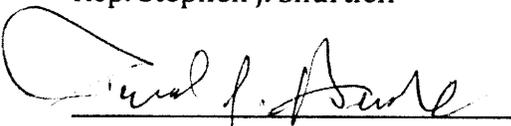
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June M. Frazer
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James R. MacKay
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Helen Deloge
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Christy D. Bartlett
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Merrimack 20
Pembroke, Chichester

David B. Doherty
Rep. David Doherty

Merrimack 25
Andover, Danbury, Salisbury, Warner,
Webster

David B. Karrick
Rep. David B. Karrick

Merrimack 27
Concord Wards 1-4, 6-7

Mary Stuart Gile
Rep. Mary Stuart Gile

Merrimack 7
Warner and Webster

Clyde Carson
Rep. Clyde Carson

Merrimack 17
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Dick Patten
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Paula Bradley
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Belknap 1

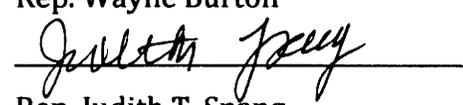
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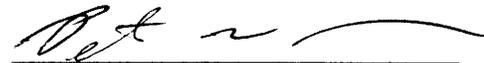
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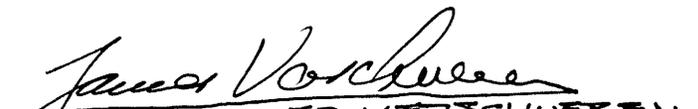
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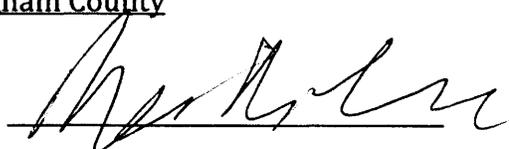

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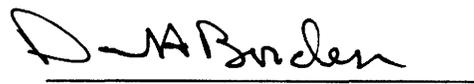

REP. JANET WALL

New Hampshire State Representatives—Rockingham County

Rockingham 21
Hampton


Rep. Robert R. Cushing

Rockingham 24
New Castle, Rye


Rep. David A. Borden

New Hampshire State Representatives—Cheshire County

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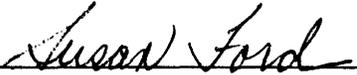
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Rep. Lee Walker Oxenham

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of February, 2016, this Joint Petition to Intervene was hand delivered to Pamela Monroe, Administrator of the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee, at 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, New Hampshire, with electronic copies to the service list for Docket 2015-06.

February 5, 2016



Rep. Susan M. Ford