



# GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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April 5, 2016

Dear Administrator Monroe,

Enclosed please find for filing with the SEC an Objection of intervenor, Grafton County, individually and as a spokesperson for the group consisting of Grafton County and Rick Samson, Coos County Commissioner, to the joint applicants request for partial waivers under the newly adopted SEC rules and joinder in public counsel's objection to said joint applicants request and joinder to the AMC's objection to said joint applicants request and joinder in the society for the protection of New Hampshire Forests' objection to the joint applicants request.

Thank you,

Samantha Norcross  
Administrative Assistant



## COMMISSIONERS

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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

Docket 2015-06

Joint Application of the Northern Pass Transmission, LLC.  
And Public Service Company of New Hampshire  
d/b/a Eversource Energy  
for a Certificate of Site and Facility

**Objection of Intervenor, Grafton County, individually  
and as spokesperson for the group consisting of Grafton County and Rick Samson,  
Coos County Commissioner,  
to the Joint Applicants' Request for Partial Waivers Under the Newly Adopted SEC  
Rules  
and  
Joinder in Public Counsel's Objection to Said Joint Applicants' Request  
and  
Joinder to the AMC's Objection to Said Joint Applicants' Request  
and  
Joinder in The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests' Objection to  
the Joint Applicants' Request**

NOW COMES Grafton County, individually and as the temporary spokesperson for the Intervenor group Grafton County Commissioners and Rick Samson, Coos County Commissioner, and hereby objects to the Applicants' Request for Partial Waivers under the Newly Adopted SEC Rules and joins in the objections filed by the public counsel, the AMC and the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests and in support states as follows:

- (1) The Joint Applicants filed a Request for Partial Waiver Under the Newly Adopted SEC Rules on or about February 26, 2016.
- (2) The Public Counsel filed an objection to the Joint Applicants' request for Partial Waivers Under the Newly Adopted SEC Rules on March 7, 2016. This objection was filed with the SEC.
- (3) Grafton County joins in this objection and refers to the Public Counsel's pleading for the reasons identified therein.
- (4) The Appalachian Mountain Club ("AMC") further filed an Objection to the Joint Applicants' Request for Partial Waivers Under the Newly Adopted SEC Rules and Joinder in the Objection of Public Counsel to Said Request. This was filed with the SEC on or about March 11, 2016.

- (5) Grafton County joins in this objection and refers to the AMC pleadings for the additional reasons identified therein.
- (6) The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests also filed an Objection to the Joint Applicants' Request for Partial Waivers Under the Newly Adopted SEC Rules. This was filed with the SEC on or about March 11, 2016.
- (7) Grafton County joins in this objection and refers to the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests' pleading for the reasons identified therein.

WHEREFORE, the Grafton County Commissioners, representing Grafton County, and as temporary spokesperson (under objection) for the group including Rick Samson the Coos County Commissioner for District 3, respectfully requests the SEC Subcommittee to:

- A. Deny the Applicants' request for Partial waivers Under the Newly adopted SEC Rules; and
- B. Grant Such Other Relief as May Be Just and Equitable.

Respectfully Submitted,

April 5, 2016



Lara Joan Saffo, Esq.  
On behalf of the Grafton County  
Commissioners  
And temporary spokesperson (over our  
objection)

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has this day been forwarded via email to all the parties on the SEC Distribution List.

April 5, 2016



Lara Joan Saffo, Esq.