

**WRITTEN COMMENT CARD**

**NH Site Evaluation Committee, Docket No. 2015-06  
Public Hearing, RSA 162-H:4, II**

**RE: Joint Application of Northern Pass Transmission LLC  
& Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy  
for a Certificate of Site and Facility**

LOCATION: Whitefield (May 19)

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If you wish to provide written comments for the record, please provide your comments below:

Nothing can justify the construction of the  
Northern Pass Trans. line except for profits.  
That so many millions of dollars have been spent and  
promised to promote this "project," it is clear that  
a much much larger amount is at stake for  
someone - or perhaps a few someones. The tax  
monies promised to towns to offset lost revenue  
from decreased property values is paltry (and  
set to decline over a very few years) in comparison to  
the projected monies generated for the few  
someone's' purses. This is in no way a public works  
project or a project to benefit the public. It is a  
monster to harm many in its way and must be  
stopped.

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I am opposed to Northern Pass for the following reasons:

- ① It will destroy the wild beauty of our incredible mountainous landscape, a treasure that should be respected and preserved for future generations.
- ② It will not deliver any real benefits to NH citizens, not jobs nor lower electric ~~rate~~ rates, etc.
- ③ It is NOT WANTED by the citizens; the vast majority of ~~us~~ ~~us~~ ~~most~~ who will be most directly affected have rejected NP over and over.
- ④ It is not "green energy" - 7 million acres in Canada were flooded & destroyed to create this hydro power
- ⑤ Northern Pass should be willing to pay to 'bury the lines' instead ~~of~~ of bribing the ~~the~~ Balsams and others with obscene amounts of \$\$

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As a State Representative 2012-2014, I listened  
to Coös County citizens' concerns about the  
threat of The Northern Pass and now, the Joint Application  
completely buffaloes our understanding of the Project.  
I beg the SEC attend to our rural county's  
request: To Bury the Northern Pass. I believe the  
arm of Hydro-Quebec/Eversource project, Forward N.H.,  
has been bribing residents and towns to achieve their  
ends. I, as a college-trained teacher and a recipient  
of a Masters in Religion w/an emphasis in environmental issues,  
take issue w/ this as a Green Project. I reject No. Pass Trans-  
mission LLC - for a Certificate of Site and Facility. I advocate for  
our counties farmers, our tourist-based businesses, and the Canadian  
Quebec Province Native (indigenous peoples) Americans' rights. Each  
Segment of society will have a  
old way of life. I reject the premise that this is a green project.  
IT will dam the last open-running River in Quebec. Real estate value  
properties owner have already been impacted.

NH Site Evaluation Committee, 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10, Concord, NH 03301 (603) 271-2435  
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FIRST NAME: Roger LAST NAME: HINDS

STREET ADDRESS: Toddau ROAD

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EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

If you wish to provide written comments for the record, please provide your comments below:

The towers will be a unbelievable  
monstrosity, with very thick cables. I  
bet more cables than what is projected  
The crew constructing the towers will  
not be from this area, or from  
the U.S.  
~~and~~ will there be big radiation  
from the lines? more than likely.  
there will be no long term benefit  
for N.H.



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If you wish to provide written comments for the record, please provide your comments below:

Bury it — no excuses,

no avoidance — how dare

they!!

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LOCATION: Whitefield (May 19)

FIRST NAME: Frank LAST NAME Lombardi

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TOWN: Whitefield STATE NH ZIP 03598

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See Attached.



Site Evaluation Committee Hearing on the Supplement to Northern Pass' Application

Thursday, May 19, 2016

My name is Frank Lombardi, and I live in Whitefield, where over ten miles of above-ground towers are proposed to be built in a horseshoe around our village and through our most beautiful scenic views. I, along with the Town of Whitefield and many other Whitefield residents, am an intervener in the SEC evaluation process. We filed as interveners because we want to protect our residents, our views, and the value of our town through taking part in the SEC process. In reviewing Northern Pass' supplement to their application prepared for the Site Evaluation Committee, I have many concerns regarding the applicant's approach to this process and their transparency to the public.

Northern Pass' supplement discusses "mitigation measures" on pages 10 and 11. The information laid out here is incomplete and inadequate, and sets out grossly unfair proposals. Nowhere does the supplement's discussion provide the obvious mitigation measure for our area, which is line burial. Does Northern Pass seriously assert that they didn't consider additional line burial to what they have already proposed? It has been publicly reported that Northern Pass has proposed additional line burial in some towns in our area, and that important information needs to be included in detail in the filing. Additionally, Northern Pass states that their more site-specific mitigation, which can help particular individual properties, will be considered at the "final engineering" stage. This is completely unfair to those who own property along the rights of way. Northern Pass should be made to discuss each and every property along the line as part of the full, contested approval process. I insist that the SEC not allow Northern Pass to bury detailed decisions in a hidden final engineering process at the tail end of the approval procedures, but that Northern Pass be made to discuss this now, while the public has time to fully evaluate the scale of this project.

In the top paragraph on p. 12 of the supplement, Northern Pass takes a non-helpful and rebellious approach to the SEC process. When discussing how they plan to avoid, minimize, or mitigate impacts on historical and archaeological resources, their response says nothing and they provide no detail or discussion. They simply claim they are doing it, and totally avoid the issue. It is insulting to the public for Northern Pass to refrain from this discussion. I want to know precisely and in detail how Northern Pass plans to avoid, minimize, and mitigate the effects that their towers would have on important areas in our town, and in every town along the route. The ignorant approach that Northern Pass takes in this area of the supplement undermines the SEC process and the right of the public to know how Northern Pass will affect their towns. Northern Pass should be directed to start the planning process over, with comprehensive and inclusive information listed in great detail.

I ask that the Site Evaluation Committee further review the concerns presented here, and grant the requests made, in order to maintain a fair and due process for the good of the public and the integrity of the SEC process.

Frank Lombardi, Intervenor  
101 Elm Street  
Whitefield, NH 03598



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If you wish to provide written comments for the record, please provide your comments below:

- 1) It makes no sense to appoint a public counsel who believe is eminently qualified if you don't give serious consideration to his opinions. After all he represents the citizenry of the entire state of NH. He has recommended that the process be extended due to the complexity of this application. That is <sup>only</sup> fair.
- 2) Accessing the information added by Northern Pass on the SEEC web site is difficult, at best, so I'm not sure how we can be expected to comply with the request to stick to the additional material that we can't access.
- 3) The ~~route~~ proposed route in Coös County traverses through many wet land areas including dammed up areas behind my house thanks to the friendly beavers. This impact has not been adequately studied or addressed.

4) Those of us who live in Coos <sup>who live on or near the proposed route</sup> have been almost unanimous in opposition to this project which is definitely not in our best interest due to the negative impact on our major industry - tourism, on our property values ~~which~~ and our environment. We have been the stewards of this land for generations upon generations. We do not take this responsibility lightly. A private company should NOT be able to override this role - It's like a return to the logging industry ~~of~~ at the turn of the century who raped our woodlands.

5) The economic information re: this project should be public.

6) There are many historical areas in our county, many not yet identified. As an example, the old Kilkenny Railroad bed parallels Lost Nation Road & Grange Road and is intersected by the existing right of way. What is there that is of historical significance? I doubt that it has even been thought of. STAMUE!

7) My home is my only resource for retirement except for social security (limited as I was a human service worker) - not different from most of my neighbors. As ~~an~~ a butters, our homes will lose significant value with towers being erected - money none of us can afford to lose. Where is a plan to compensate us for this loss?

8) Please listen to the many citizens of our state - doesn't our opinion matter? Why ~~is~~ <sup>should</sup> Northern Pass, a private company looking to make a huge profit, take precedence over the public interest.

***Linda Upham-Bornstein, PhD***

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May 19, 2016

Martin Honigberg, Chairman  
Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator  
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Chairman Honigberg:     Re: Docket No. 2015-06 Public Hearing, May 19, 2016 Whitefield

I would like address a number of issues concerning the SEC process.

- As noted in earlier request by a number of interveners many of us cannot open any of files sublimed by the applicant on February 26, 2016. I teach at Plymouth State University and as late as last week I was unable to download the key **attachments** to my computer using the university's internet, never mind my own limited satellite service and I have tried multiple times. **It is totally unfair for the SEC to hold a public hearing on this information when it's not available to the public!** You may as well tell us to comment on information that's locked up in a Hydro-Quebec safe 200 miles away. The SEC must start over here -- get the information out in a way we can access and read, and then set a new hearing. The May 11, 2016 email from Mike Iacopino was equally frustrating because it is not up to the towns to provide intervenors with the Applicants documents.
- I hereby restate my requesting, pursuant to Site 202.11(f), that the Committee reconsider that portion of its order grouping all Non-Abutting property owners from Clarksville through Bethlehem, which includes me (I reside in Lancaster) because the proposed grouping denies my specific rights to due process. I request that you divide this proposed group of non-abuttors into two groups: 1) non-abutting property owners in Clarksville, Stewartstown and East Colebrook, and 2) non-abutting property owners in Stark, Lancaster, Whitefield, Dalton and Bethlehem, with each group designating a single spokesperson for purposes of filing pleadings (except those that relate solely to my property), conducting discovery, and examining witnesses. I further request that I be permitted to file pleadings that relate solely to my property (for example, a pleading relating to the Section 106 Historic Resources Assessment of my property). My property is located on Mount Prospect Road in Lancaster and shares a portion of the view shed with Weeks State Park on Mount Prospect. As a property owner in Lancaster directly and materially affected by the proposed transmission lines, I believe I have the right to participate fully and meaningfully in the SEC's adjudicatory proceedings. (see March 27, 2016 Motion to Reconsider Grouping Portion of 3/18/2016 Order)
- The Applicant's claims in its supplemental information (p.4) that it has the "right" to build these new power lines on the existing ROW next to my property. The existing ROW is for public transmission lines. Northern Pass is a private, for-profit project. Private transmission lines are not allowed to be built on a public right of way.
- The Applicant's claims in its supplemental information (p.5) that it will pay for Northern Pass with debt and with equity contributed by Eversource. This supplemental information fails to describe the "three state RFP" in which Northern Pass has filed an application for massive ratepayer subsidies from public ratepayers in Massachusetts, Connecticut and Rhode Island. Northern Pass should include this information and the effects on the financing of the project if they win the RFP.
- The Applicant's supplemental information (pp. 10-11) discusses "mitigation measures". This discussion is woefully incomplete and inadequate and sets out grossly unfair proposals. First, nowhere in the

discussion is the obvious mitigation measure for Coos County -- line burial. Does Northern Pass seriously assert that they did not consider additional line burial? It has been publicly reported that Northern Pass has proposed additional line burial in some towns up here, and that needs to be included in detail in the filing. Second, Northern Pass says the more site-specific mitigation that can help particular properties will be considered at the "final engineering" stage. We are entitled to know what the Northern Pass intends to do now, not when it is in its "final engineering" stage, so that owners of any such sites can meaningfully evaluate any such proposed mitigation actions and efforts now and provide SEC with input regarding such proposals before the SEC acts on the application. Disclosing such possible mitigation efforts at the end of the process is tantamount to closing the "barn door after the horse has bolted."

I filed to intervene because I want to protect my property as part of the SEC process.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Upham-Bornstein". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Linda Upham-Bornstein, Ph.D.