

Dear Ms. Monroe,

I am citizen of Mason in this beautiful state of NH. I am a nurse who is very concerned about energy projects and their negative impact on our state. Therefore, I am sending this message to the NH SEC who today will be discussing the new energy project permitting rules. As a NH resident that votes and pays attention to local politics I insist that SEC stand by their new rules. They are right to have rules which take into consideration negative and overall impact energy projects would have on the citizens of our state. Whether the impact is on landowners, the natural resources of our state or our health and way of life. SEC is right to consider whether projects are in the best interest with overall public good, They are right not to give away eminent domain. They are right not to rubber stamp energy projects that NH citizens are grossly opposed to.

Currently the citizens of NH are in a battle with energy companies from outside our state who plan to negatively impact much of our small towns with a proposed NED pipeline. In Mason and surrounding towns Kinder Morgan plan to cut wide swaths of land that can never be returned or "mitigated" as they like to say. They want to blast and dig and plant a filthy gas pipeline, that will pollute land, air and water in our towns. This plan if approved would change the nature of our entire southern tier forever. The new rules the SEC is wisely proposing is agreeable to NH residence. It will demand the respect and recognition that we own this state, Kinder Morgan does not.

Controls must be put in place to manage energy companies who are interested in taking private lands by eminent domain, using buyouts of our politicians, undermining TV and radio ads, and bullying property owners as if the land belongs to them! These companies do not hear NH residents saying "NO PIPELINE!" They do not take into consideration that we have not granted access onto our private properties, conserved land or special places and easement areas. Work crews already have begun to work in some areas. This is taking additional police hours monitoring activities in Mason. As work crews go onto lands that have denied access.

This crisis is not only impacting our state. This crisis is regional and spreads really across this great country of ours. More and more governments in other states are recognizing the tragic mess these energy projects have left behind. All too late they realize the water quality is gone forever. Many areas have lost natural resources leaving communities strained with additional resources needed to support safety and fire agencies. We are beginning to see health impacts of increased risks for cancer and respiratory diseases. These projects are not for the overall good, but have shown for the sake of corporate greed. When the gas and oil run out they abandon the pipes in the ground as a final memorial of the destruction they have caused.

I encourage the SEC find clarity and strength as they approve the new proposed rules for energy projects. SEC should know they are well supported by those who can be at the meeting and many thousands more who cannot make it there today.

Now is an important time for the SEC. SEC must recognize energy companies without controls equals an assault on our state and the region. I am asking for the SEC protection. Please let the SEC know that NH people are counting on them to stand up for us in EVERY and ALL manner possible.

Stand up for what is right for NH and do not allow big corporations to destroy our way of life.

Respectfully submitted,

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