



October 8, 2018

New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
Pamela Monroe, Administrator
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Ms. Monroe and Members of the Site Evaluation Committee:

We write today in support of the Seacoast Reliability Project proposed by Eversource, a project critical to addressing the Seacoast region's growing energy demand.

Access to reliable, sufficient and affordable energy supply is critical to the success and future growth of our businesses, as well as the regional and state economy. With the fastest growing economy of any region in the state, the Independent System Operator of New England (ISO-New England) identified a need on the Seacoast for additional transmission capacity to ensure the reliability of the electric system to meet current and future demand, which will only continue to increase as our economy continues to grow.

The availability and cost of energy is one of the top issues for our companies as we work to grow and create more good jobs, and threats of brownouts and intermittent service pose significant risks that threaten our growth. The Seacoast Reliability Project is integral to addressing those concerns, helping ensure that businesses like ours have reliable electric power to meet our needs today and into the future.

Because it is critical to the success of our businesses and continued economic growth, we respectfully request your support for the Seacoast Reliability Project. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Steven Shawver
Executive Vice President
and Chief Legal Officer