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

Dear Ms. Monroe,

This letter is a respectful request to intervene in SEC Docket No. 2016-06 involving the proposed Northern Pass transmission project. Following the SEC guidelines, I am writing to you and copying the SEC's distribution list.

My rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests may be affected by the SEC's Northern Pass proceedings, which I state below.

My property line lies only some 200 feet west of the proposed transmission line.

Additionally, the height and expanse of the proposed line would be in easy sight from the expansive, scenic view from my property.

Both factors degrade my property value and that of every other citizen with property interests adjacent to the proposed line. Construction of above-ground towers negatively impacts my property value and aesthetic appreciation of the environment, and also poses unacceptable health risks generated by high voltage electrical transmission in above-ground towers.

Embracing the "precautionary principle" is required in this instance, and I ask that you apply it here as one of many reasons to deny the Project. This principle, well-know in this country and often utilized in Europe, insists that no change may be adopted if there are substantial unknown health risks and guaranteed harm to the interests of many people through visual blight. That blight will cause permanent, irremediable, and utterly avoidable damage, injury, and devaluation.

This country does indeed utilize electricity, but the solution to providing energy without permanent damage to my property interests or to the rights of the community is to bury every inch of the proposed line—or to deny it permission to go forward in any form.

Thank you for your consideration of this dangerous proposed violation of property rights and of health.

Frederic P. Fitts