

RE: Joint Application of Northern Pass Transmission, LLC and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/ b/a Eversource Energy for a Certificate of Site and Facility to Construct a New High Voltage Transmission Line and Related Facilities in New Hampshire

Docket No. 2015-06

Dear Ms Monroe,

I respectfully request to intervene in the SEC's proceedings under Docket No. 2015-06 Northern Pass, pursuant to NH RSA 541-A:32.

My husband and I own Tax Lot #9668 on Lang Road in Deerfield and abut the proposed route for Northern Pass. Pole #3132-279 would be in view from our land and poles # 3132-280 and 281 abut our land directly. We will be specifically impacted by this project if it proceeds as currently proposed. In addition to being direct abutters, we live approximately two miles from the Deerfield Town Center. I regularly walk down to a small park behind our town library in the town center. We cross-country ski throughout our property and adjacent to the power lines where the route is proposed. Our major concern is the aesthetics degradation and disruptive noise that the proposed above-ground poles will likely create throughout Deerfield and along our property.

When two warrant articles regarding the Northern Pass project were before us in our March, 2013 elections, we opposed the project as it was then proposed and supported burying the lines. This is still our position.

We chose this town with its somewhat out-of-the-way location, seeking country living. It is not appropriate that a for-profit organization should be able to disrupt the lives and living environment for thousands of New Hampshire citizens for a project that is questionable in need and for which a less obtrusive option is readily available and used throughout the world. We are concerned that the Northern Pass proposal does not adequately consider the impact it will have on the many communities throughout New Hampshire, including ours.

NH Administrative Rule Site 202.11 provides that:

"(b) The presiding officer shall grant a petition to intervene if:

- (1) The petition is submitted in writing to the presiding officer, with copies mailed to all parties named in the presiding officer's order of notice of the hearing, at least 3 days before the hearing;
- (2) The petition states facts demonstrating that the petitioner's rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests might be affected by the proceeding or that the petitioner qualifies as an intervenor under any provision of law; and
- (3) The presiding officer determines that the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings would not be impaired by allowing the intervention."

As set forth above, the proposed new high voltage transmission line will impact the rights, duties, privileges, immunities and other substantial interests of Deerfield and specifically impact our privileges as Deerfield residents and project abutters. The interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of the proceedings will not be impaired by allowing our intervention.

Sincerely,

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