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

RE: SEC Docket #2015-06, Northern Pass Transmission

Dear Ms. Monroe:

This letter is to forward the attached petition from me pertaining to the Northern Pass project, SEC Docket #2015-06. I respectfully request that the SEC grant this petition for me to intervene in this matter.

I hereby certify that I am e-mailing this letter and my attached petition to you and to the service list for this docket.

Sincerely,

Bradley L Thompson

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

Docket No. SEC 2015-06

Application of Northern Pass Transmission LLC and Public Service Company of New Hampshire dba Eversource Energy for a Certificate of Site and Facility

PETITION FOR INTERVENTION BY Brad and Daryl Thompson

We, Brad and Daryl Thompson, request the Site Evaluation Committee to grant us the authority to intervene in the Northern Pass docket noted above. We seek this designation as interveners for the following reasons:

- 1. We own 362 acres of land and a second home in Stewartstown, New Hampshire, which we call "Bear Rock Lodge", with a street address of 599 Noyes Road. This land has more than 1200 feet of frontage on Bear Rock Road, under which Northern Pass proposes to bury its transmission line.
- 2. We built this home in 2008 after many years of owning a smaller camp in Clarksville. We chose this site because of the exceptional views. If Northern Pass is built as proposed by the applicant, our unspoiled view of an incredible landscape will be permanently scarred with a direct view of the above ground NP transmission line (and transition station) at the point in east Stewartstown where the buried line returns to being an above ground facility.
- 3. We invested in this property and home as a gathering spot at which friends and family could enjoy the scenic rural landscape. Our investment will be permanently devalued if Northern Pass were issued a certificate of site and facility to build its project as proposed in its October 19, 2015 application.
- 4. The only reason Northern Pass is not building an overhead transmission line for the 7.5 miles between property it owns to the west of Route 145 in Clarksville and property it owns just east of Bear Rock Road in Stewartstown is because landowners like us refused to sell land to them for their project. The buried route between the transition station just west of Route 145 in Clarksville and the transition station just east of Bear Rock Road in Stewartstown (right in front of our property in Stewartstown) is the only way Northern Pass can complete the connection between these two properties. From the beginning their preference was to build this entire facility overhead, and they offered extraordinary premium purchase prices to us and our neighbors to affect this goal—no deal!
- 5. We question whether Northern Pass has the legal right to bury its facility along Bear Rock Road in front of our home. We believe we own up to the center line of Bear Rock Road, and that Northern Pass cannot use our land (over which the Town of Stewartstown holds a transportation Right of Way for the road) without our consent. The SEC does not have the authority to take our land for such a purpose. Northern Pass wants our land for their financial benefit. The towns of Clarksville and Stewartstown do not hold title to these town roads, hence, we as property owners, hold legal title, and will not allow Northern Pass to dig up our dirt.

6. We granted a conservation easement (recorded at Book 561, Page 161 at the Coos County Registry of Deeds on February 20, 2015, to the Society for the Protection of NH Forests which specifically prohibits the construction of overhead or underground transmission lines through our property. Neighbors of ours (Lynne Placey and Arlene Placey) across the street from our property have similarly encumbered their lands. We believe that the conservation easements burden lands on both sides of Bear Rock Road where our boundaries meet, and that the practical affect of these easements joining at the center line of Bear Rock Road prevent Northern Pass from building the project as proposed and prevent the SEC from issuing a certificate of site and facility to Northern Pass for the project as proposed.

For these reasons, we respectfully request that the SEC issue an order granting his petition for intervention.

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