

Dear Ms. Monroe:

I respectfully request to intervene in the SEC's proceedings under Docket No. 2015-06 relating to the proposed Northern Pass transmission line. Per the SEC's regulations, I am sending this request to you, with copies to the SEC's distribution list for this proceeding as noted in the "cc" list above.

My particular, rights, duties, privileges, immunities or other substantial interests that may be affected by the SEC's Northern Pass proceedings are threefold and include the following elements:

1. As **Emergency Management Director** for the town of Clarksville, NH, I have a specific responsibility to be aware of, ameliorate where possible, and report back to the Town management any projects or activities that might represent a potential threat to the health or welfare of the Town or its residents. There are some substantial issues involved in the citing of a megawatt power transmission project which passes through the heart of our town.

2. As **Emergency Coordinator**, for the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) Coos county EC area, I am responsible for managing the emergency communication response teams throughout the entire county and the 12 northern-most towns in Grafton county. We support the American Red Cross and inter-hospital disaster communications in the North Country as well as handling local disaster scenarios and liaising with NHSEM for state-wide emergency situations. The proposed Northern Pass project will pass within 1500 feet of the principal radio communications center for our operations located on Ben Young Hill in Clarksville. Also, it will run down the full length of the major inhabited area of the county -- over 80 miles -- before entering the White Mountains region of the state. Power transmission projects, similar to what Northern Pass is proposing for NH, in California and Texas have a notorious track record for causing radio interference along the entire length of the line, and have necessitated repeated FCC warnings to the companies involved for non-compliance to FCC rules. In the case of the California transmission line, a fine of over a million dollars was levied due to repeated and uncorrected problems. As currently proposed, the Northern Pass project has the potential to cause similar levels of radio interference in Coos County.

3. As a **landowner**, this project will pass within 1500 feet of my property and in direct line of sight down the valley. A portion of the project passing through this part of Clarksville has been proposed to be above ground on towers. Anything erected above ground that near to this location will significantly reduce the value of my property.

For the above reasons, I request intervener status. Thank you for your consideration of this petition.

Sincerely,

/s Robert R. Martin

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