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By E-Mail & U.S. Mail

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Re: Docket No. 2015-06 – 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

Dear Ms. Monroe:

Enclosed is Counsel for the Public's Proposal for Additional Site Inspections.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



Thomas J. Pappas

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Enclosure

cc: Peter C.L. Roth, Esq.
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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

Docket No. 2015-06

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

COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC'S PROPOSAL FOR ADDITIONAL SITE INSPECTIONS

Counsel for the Public, by his attorneys, the Office of the Attorney General and Primmer Piper Eggleston & Cramer PC, respectfully submits the following proposed schedule for additional site inspections by the Subcommittee.

BACKGROUND

1. On January 31, 2017, Counsel for the Public filed a Motion for Additional Site Inspections and suggested that the Subcommittee should set aside up to four (4) days for additional site inspections.

2. By Order dated March 1, 2017, the Subcommittee provided for two (2) additional days of site visits, and directed the parties to come up with a reasonable two-day schedule, or for Counsel for the Public to submit a proposed schedule if the parties cannot reach an agreement.

3. On March 2, 2017, Counsel for the Public sent an e-mail to all spokespersons asking them to send to Counsel for the Public a list of up to four (4) locations for a site visit by the Subcommittee. Counsel for the Public received numerous responses with many proposed locations for site visits.

4. Counsel for the Public sent a proposed two-day schedule to all spokespersons. Of the spokespersons who responded to Counsel for the Public's proposed two-day schedule, most agreed to the proposed schedule, but several group agreed on the condition that a proposed third day is also scheduled.

5. Attached as Exhibit A is Counsel for the Public's proposed two-day schedule as ordered by the Subcommittee. Counsel for the Public anticipates that Counsel for the Public will work with the Subcommittee's Administrator and Applicants' counsel on logistics.

6. Counsel for the Public understands that roads in Clarksville and Stewartstown for the 7.5 miles of underground burial route are closed until May 1, and thus are not accessible to the Subcommittee on April 6 and 7, 2017, the dates tentatively scheduled for the additional site visits. Counsel for the Public also understands that some of the proposed aboveground sites in northern New Hampshire also are more easily accessed after May 1. Consequently, attached as Exhibit B is a proposed schedule for a third day of additional site visits, which can be scheduled sometime after May 1.

7. Counsel for the Public suggests that the Subcommittee consider adding a third day for site inspections in order to insure full access to the 7.5-mile underground route and aboveground areas of the proposed route that are more accessible after May 1.

8. Counsel for the Public will work with the SEC's Administrator to provide members of the Subcommittee with a packet of materials for the sites, such as high-resolution photo simulations, prior to the site visits. This should make the site visits more efficient.

Respectfully submitted,

COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC,

By his attorneys,



Dated: March 15, 2017

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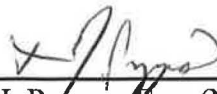
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing PROPOSAL FOR ADDITIONAL SITE INSPECTIONS has this day been forwarded via e-mail to persons named on the Distribution List of this docket.

Dated: March 15, 2017

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EXHIBIT A

DAY ONE

Meet at the 49 Donovan Street, Concord parking area.

1. On I-93 northbound at milepost 72 (2.9 miles north of exit 23). (View, without stopping, the Pemigewasset River in New Hampton.) (Photo simulation by Dodson and T.J. Boyle.)
2. Stop at crossing of Pemigewasset River at River Road in Bridgewater.
3. Stop at Peaked Hill Road and Locke Road historic area crossing on Route 104 in Bristol (northeast and southeast view). (Photo simulation by T.J. Boyle.)
4. Stop at Route 132 crossing at Huckleberry Road in New Hampton (north and south views). (North view photo simulation by Dodson and Landworks.)
5. Stop at Ashland Water and Sewer, Squam River crossing.
6. Stop at Boyce Road crossing in Canterbury (T.J. Boyle photo simulation).
7. Drive by 253 and 254 Portsmouth Street (discuss in bus but do not get out).
8. Stop at Alton Woods in Concord (look at maps).
9. Stop at McKenna's Purchase Condominiums in Concord (look at maps).
10. Drive by 77 Regional Drive (point it out in the bus).
11. Stop at Route 28 at North Pembroke Road in Pembroke (DeWan and Dodson photo simulations).
12. Stop at Mt. Delight Road overlook in Allenstown/Deerfield (Dodson photo simulations).
13. Stop at Deerfield center, including Sherburne Woods (DeWan and T.J. Boyle photo simulation).
14. Stop at Nottingham Road historic district in Deerfield (T.J. Boyle photo simulation).

Return to 49 Donovan Street

DAY TWO

Meet at the Exit 23 Park and Ride Common Man Inn and Spa in Plymouth.

1. Downtown Plymouth (get out walk around).
2. Stop at Common Man Inn and Spa, Plymouth on North Route 3 – HDD 49 and HDD 50.
3. View from bus the west side development (new entrance/parking) for Livermore Fall State Park on Route 3 in Campton.
4. Stop at Woodstock Fire Station on Route 3 (parking lot) – HDD 39.
5. Stop at White Mountain National Forest in Easton on Route 112 at Beaver Pond and AT crossing (parking lot) – HDD 32.
6. Stop at the Anna Darvid property (1730 Easton Valley Road), with a 40' – three (3) rod easement and two (2) HDD locations.
7. Pause bus in front of Farrell's barn (1189 Easton Valley Road).
8. Park at Easton Town Hall (1060 Easton Valley Road), walk to see the Gibson Road corner and HDD location, 40' easement, Fire Station and river.
9. Pause bus at the Meyer property at 791 Easton Valley Road as an example of the potential negative impact of loss of frontage vegetation. Also note size of surface granite.
10. Stop at Brenda Adam's house at 351 Easton Valley Road (refreshments/bathrooms available). View two streams in fairly close proximity that will require back to back HDD.
11. Stop at the Palmer Property (1900 Easton Road) and the Kinsman Lodge (2165 Easton Road).
12. Stop at the intersection of Routes 18 and 116 in Franconia (at flashing stop light). Examine Gale River crossing and impact with town infrastructure.
13. View from the bus sites in Franconia, including 1 and 5 Main Street, Children's Center, nursing home, elementary school, and a cluster of homes from 1800's, including 233 Main Street dating from 1790 and 257 Main Street, the central part of Franconia.
14. View from the bus Profile High School and HDD 12.

Get on Route 93 south and return to the Common Man Inn and Spa or the Exit 23 Park and Ride.

EXHIBIT B

DAY THREE (May or June)

Overnight – Colebrook / Pittsburg.

1. HDD-3 at the Connecticut River Bridge on Route 3 and Transition Stations 1 and 2 in Clarksville/Pittsburg.
2. HDD-1 on Route 145 in Clarksville and looking up at Transition Station No. 3.
3. HDD-3 on North Hill Road in Stewartstown.
4. HDD-4 on Bear Rock Road in Stewartstown.
5. Transition Station No. 4 and HDD-7 on Bear Rock Road in Stewartstown.
6. Coleman State Park in Stewartstown (DeWan and T.J. Boyle photo simulations).
7. Pontook Reservoir in Dummer (photo simulation by T.J. Boyle).
8. Northside Road in Stark (DeWan and Dodson photo simulations).
9. North Road crossing in Lancaster (DeWan and Dodson photo simulations).
10. Weeks State Park (Lodge and Observation Tower) in Lancaster (DeWan and T.J. Boyle photo simulations).
11. Locations in Whitefield (incl. Forest Lake Road and Route 142 crossing).
12. Route 116 crossing in Bethlehem (designated Ammonoosuc River). (Photo simulation by T.J. Boyle.)