

**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE**

**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 MOTION FOR LEAVE TO INCREASE BUDGETS  
FOR KAVET, ROCKLER & ASSOCIATES AND ARROWWOOD ENVIRONMENTAL  
(ASSENTED TO)**

Counsel for the Public, by his attorneys, the Office of the Attorney General and Primmer Piper Eggleston and Cramer PC, hereby moves, with the assent of the Applicants, pursuant to RSA 162-H:10, V, for leave to increase the budget for the fees and costs of Kavet, Rockler & Associates LLC (“Kavet Rockler” or the “Consultant”), in the additional amount of up to \$100,000, and to increase the budget for the fees of Arrowwood Environmental in the additional amount of up to \$13,500. In support hereof, Counsel for the Public respectfully represents as follows:

1. On October 19, 2015, Applicants submitted a Joint Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility (the “Application”) to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee (the “Committee” or “SEC”) to construct a 192-mile transmission line to run through New Hampshire from the Canadian border in Pittsburg to Deerfield (the “Project”). The Application with its appendices contains more than 27,000 pages including numerous expert reports and studies. Since the filing, the parties have produced and exchanged tens of thousands of additional documents.

2. On October 28, 2015, the Attorney General appointed Counsel for the Public pursuant to RSA 162-H:9.

3. On May 13, 2016, Counsel for the Public moved the Sub-Committee to approve the retention of Kavet & Rockler to serve as expert on local economic issues, and Arrowwood Environmental to serve as expert on natural environment issues. Kavet & Rockler required a budget of \$227,070. Arrowwood's budget was \$142,654.

4. On May 26, 2016, the presiding officer granted the motions to retain and approved the budgets.

5. Due in large extent to the unusually large number of documents exchanged and the number of parties that became involved, both of the Kavet & Rockler and Arrowwood budgets have proved to be insufficient.

6. Counsel for the Public has discussed the budgets with the Applicants and the Applicants have agreed to the additional amounts requested by this motion.

WHEREFORE, Counsel for the Public prays that the Committee enter an order increasing the budgets of Kavet, Rockler & Associates LLC and Arrowwood Environmental as requested herein and grant such other relief as may be just.

**The Applicants' Position:**

The Applicants assent to the relief sought in the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: April 24, 2017

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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

Dated: April 24, 2017

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter CL Roth" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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