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Guest commentary to the Manchester Union Leader from the Vermont Lt

Governor(2003-2011) regarding the Northern Pass

Attachments:

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I thought that this commentary attached should go into the record for the Northern Pass scoping process . Former Lt Governor Dubie was instrumental in negotiating the contracts for the electrical HV lines through Vermont with Hydro Quebec. In this attachment you will see that he says that Vermont should be the right option for additional expansion of HV lines should they be needed for additional power from Canada. He said not only does Vermont want it but that the destruction of new lands especially in the National Forest are not necessary. Further he says the lines will be shorter and cheaper and more environmentally friendly. To quote him from this article" Shorter, cheaper and more environmentally friendly;use Vermont's existing transmission corridors for the Northern Pass Project" .

Again the only reason that the Northern Pass is fighting for this new line through NH is to line their own pocketbooks and those of their stock holders. If NP can get these new lines through NH it will mean millions of dollars of transmission fees will be coming to them with little effort other than to get it through the approval system(as HQ is paying for it). If it goes through Vermont, the millions of dollars will go to another power company. This is greed at its finest. The Northern Pass Route through NH is not necessary for systems reliability in ISO New England, the NE power grid. It is not necessary as there are existing corridors that can be upgraded when and if there is a need through Vermont. (And Vermont wants it NH does not). It would be more environmentally friendly as any damage to the environment is already done as there are currently DCHV towers coming from Canada already installed. Thank you for your time, Darlene King-Jennings Campton, NH

# Routing Northern Pass through Vermont makes more sense

PEOPLE in New England are looking for clean, reliable, affordable sources of electrical power. Our friends in Quebec have clean, reliable, affordable electrical power that they are looking to sell. For the last eight years as Vermont's lieutenant governor, I worked hard with others to find a way to connect our future needs for power with Hydro-Quebec's resource.

Last fall, Vermont signed an electric power purchase agreement that will provide Vermonters with clean, reliable, affordable baseload power for the next 17 years. The agreement is worth approximately \$2 billion. Unlike other, intermittent renewable energy sources today, baseload hydropower is generated at a constant level and is available to ratepayers at a constant level at all times.

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### **Another View**

Brian Dubie

People in New Hampshire and Massachusetts would benefit by having the same opportunity for clean, reliable, affordable, baseload power from Hydro-Quebec. However, many people are questioning the proposed routing of the Northern Pass transmission project.

The Northern Pass transmission project, as proposed, would be built from Des Cantons, Quebec, north of Sherbrook, Quebec, to a location near Whitefield, New Hampshire. A section of this proposed route would require cutting a new corridor and erecting new transmission lines in the White Mountain National Forest.

In my opinion, a better

alternative would be to site the Northern Pass transmission project in the existing transmission corridor in Vermont, approximately 50 miles to the west. Placing the new transmission lines in this existing corridor would make the route 96 miles in length, which is 10 miles shorter than the 106mile proposed new corridor through New Hampshire's North Country. It would save tens of millions of dollars and avert the need to cut a new corridor through the White Mountain National Forest.

Shorter, cheaper and more environmentally friendly; use Vermont's existing transmission corridor for the Northern Pass transmission project.

Brian Dubie was lieutenant governor of Vermont from 2003–2011.

## Letter

# Sullivan fails to mention that Dems created mess

To the Editor: Referencing Kathy Sullivan's May 10 column, Granite Staters already regret voting Republican last November, I have to say that she made a serious attempt at

trying to deceive Granite Staters by using a biased University of New Hampshire survey finding voters regretting having put Republicans in the driver's seat. What must be addressed here is the very real fact that the Republicans have a big mess to clean up, and it will not be done

overnight.

Unfortunately, the big mess made by Democrats has placed New Hampshire residents in a position in which there will be consequences that cannot be avoided, no matter who has the majority. Oops. What Sullivan should be telling the residents of New Hampshire is that the Democratic agenda got us into this mess. And on the issue of campaign financing, Sullivan should have mentioned the fact that unions support Democrats. Double oops.

Nevertheless, I must agree with Sullivan mentioning the very fact that Republicans may not survive the next election, because when someone is left with the job of cleaning the hog pen, they are going to be soiled. Oops.

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