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Dear Administrator Drew:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this critical issue. I have lived in Merrimack County for 35 years, the last 28 years in Canterbury. I have raised my family here, owned a home here, attended church here, voted here, paid taxes here and worked here. I feel very vested in this issue and advocating my position.

I have tried to educate myself on the issue. I have followed not only the media coverage, but personally attended the (9/2/15) informational mtg hosted by Eversource. I listened during the "Project Overview" session, the Q & A, and some of the comments.

I was very attentive to Mr. Quinlan's opening remarks and the slick, well produced video that followed. I could not help but notice that while Mr. Quinlan went on at length about the benefits the citizens of NH would presumably derive from the completion of the Northern Pass project, he neglected to make any mention of the profits Eversource would expect to enjoy from the Northern Pass project.

Why? I wondered, did the head of Eversource, a company for whom he has an obligation to maximize profits, intentionally fail to mention the profits Eversource would derive from the Northern Pass project. As a former long term prosecutor ( Assistant Merrimack County Attorney 1985-2001) I chose to spare Mr. Quinlan the public humiliation of cross examination and instead opted to pose this quite legitimate question in writing.

While I don't hold myself out to be a financial wizard, I reasonably surmise that the cost of installing all of the transmission cables underground rather than above ground would diminish Eversource's profits. Perhaps Mr. Quinlan would be good enough to answer and commit under oath (since what he says, albeit a matter of public record, is not legally binding), the differing profits to Eversource if the Northern Pass project were to be completed entirely underground versus the currently proposed plan.

The truthful answer to that, would significantly advance this debate.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Alfin