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Martin Honigberg, Chairman
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
29 Hazen Drive
Concord, NH 03301

Re: Northern Pass Transmission LLC and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a/
Eversource Energy: Joint Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility for the Construction
of a New High Voltage Electric Transmission Line in/through New Hampshire

Dear Chairman Honigberg:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced matter please find the public comment and alternate route recommendation of the Poore Family Foundation for North Country Conservancy, to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.
Sincerely,
Richard J. Johnsen

COMMUNICATION AND SERVICE

The Poore Family Foundation NCC requests that all communication and correspondence with respect to this project and any SEC proceedings in general, be served in paper, hard copy upon the following individuals:

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Public Comment and Alternate Route Recommendation:

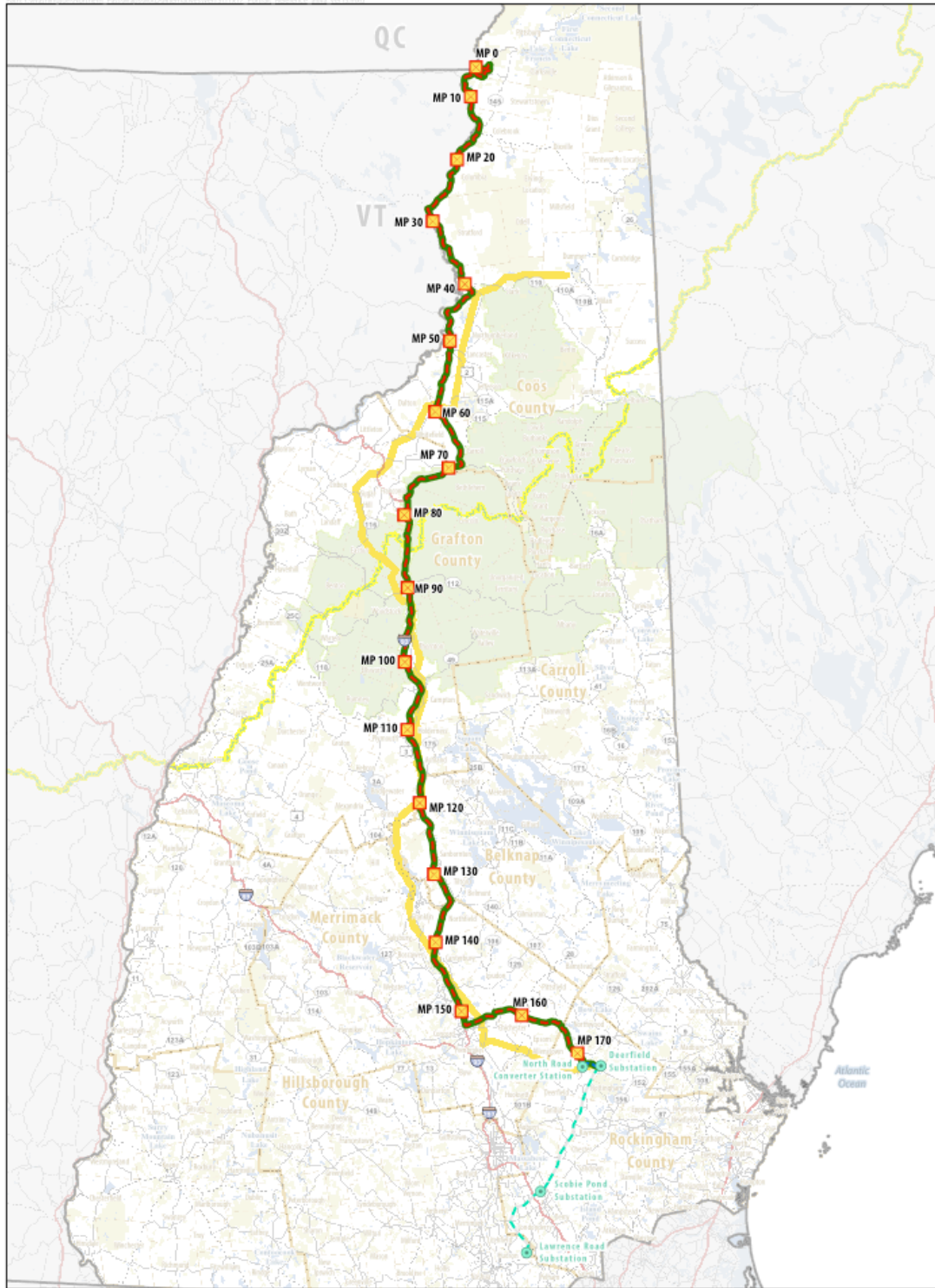
The Poore Family Foundation for North Country Conservancy, (with mailing addresses listed above) are stewards to the 100 acre “Poore Family Homestead District” in Stewartstown NH, an historic resource that will be directly affected by this project as identified in the original Application under "Historic and Cultural Resources", of which I am the Executive Director, is opposed to above ground high voltage power lines and towers, proposed by the Northern Pass LLC, from Hydro Quebec, Canada and through NH. The proposed transmission corridor will have a detrimental affect to the “incredible sense of being” one experiences when entering this historic district, and the sense of “stepping back in time”, to “one that existed prior to the rural electrification of the Northern most regions of New England”. The corridor, as proposed, will degrade the region’s expansive and scenic status and the draw of tourists. The Northern Pass is an industrial machine, winding though NH and many similar historic districts and contradicts the philosophy of American Scenic Byways program and that of The Poore Family Foundation for North Country Conservancy.

Recommend Alternate Route 4a: (see attached 4a Map)

After review of the draft Environmental Impact Statement, the Poore Family Foundation for North Country Conservancy believes that Alternate 4a – full burial, is the best choice for NH. I will respect the wishes of the people of NH and have minimal impact on our: environment, economy, our scenery, and the value of our land and our homes, and above all, our quality of life! Complete burial will also help with our Canadian / US relations. The people of NH are not happy with Quebec over this issue and burial will help that. Quebec is paying for the whole project! NH has nothing to gain from this project. Complete burial of the entire Northern Pass is the only compromise NH residents will allow! Period!

Respectfully Submitted:

Richard J Johnsen



Legend

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| Existing Conditions | Appalachian National Scenic Trail | Alternative 4a Projects | Project Milepost |
| State Boundary | Waterbody | New Transmission Route | Converter/Substation Location |
| County Boundary | NH Conservation Land (WMA, State Forest, Conservation Areas, etc.) | Project in Roadway Corridor | |
| Political Boundary | White Mountain National Forest | Underground High-Voltage Direct Current Centerline | |
| Freeway | Existing PSNH Transmission Route | Underground High-Voltage Alternating Current Centerline | |
| Major Road | | Existing Transmission Line Upgrades | |
| Secondary Road | | | |

SOURCE: ESR 2011; GRANIT 2012; Burns and McDonnell 2013; USFS 2012; Ecology and Environment 2013

Map #: **Alternative 4a - Underground Transmission Cable in Roadway Corridors - I-93 through Franconia Notch**
 Northern Pass Transmission Line Project
 Environmental Impact Statement

