Written Comments New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2015-06 Northern Pass Transmission LLC Eversource Energy

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It appears to me that the citizens of Coos County have been treated badly by the Northern Pass Proposal.

- 1. Coos County ranks number 10 of 10 counties in per capita income. It is economically poorest county in the state.
- 2. Out of 240 towns in the state the following is the ranking of per capita income of the towns in Coos County where the Northern Pass transmission line will travel.

| Clarksville | 231 |
|----------------|-----|
| Stewartstown | 234 |
| Dixville | 237 |
| Millsfield | 239 |
| Dummer | 187 |
| Stark | 221 |
| Northumberland | 236 |
| Lancaster | 165 |
| Whitefield | 186 |
| Dalton | 226 |
| | |
| Average | 216 |

Therefore as a group these towns in Coos County are in he bottom 10% of all towns in New Hampshire

The only reason that 9 miles of transmission line will be buried is the Northern Pass does not control the right of way through Clarksville and Stewartstown.

3. In contrast the following is a list of the ranking of per capita income of the towns where the Northern Pass transmission lines will be buried.

| Bethlehem | 170 |
|-------------|-----|
| Woodstock | 146 |
| Thornton | 142 |
| Bridgewater | 117 |
| Campton | 85 |
| Easton | 73 |
| Franconia | 80 |
| Sugar Hill | 17 |
| Average | 104 |

These towns as a group are in the top 43% of all towns in New Hampshire

This clearly looks like blatant economic prejudice by the Northern Pass in favor of the rich towns over the poorest towns in the state of New Hampshire.

Given these facts I have a proposal to help the residents of Coos County.

If you travel to Montreal Quebec you can see examples of the large towers that stand on four legs with a reinforced lattice structure. They are ungodly ugly and destroy the visual landscape. This has been the cause of the protest of the folks who have stated "Trees not Towers"

In the presentation by the Northern Pass there were drawings of towers that were a single large pole that was less obtrusive than the four legged lattice towers.

How about having the Northern Pass work with the citizens of the 10 towns in Coos County to use the single pole less obtrusive towers in strategic locations to minimize the destruction of the views. Please let the town folks get involved in the decisions rather than have the Northern Pass engineers making all the decisions. It would help immensely.

Thank you for your consideration

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