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September 29, 2015

Mr. Timothy W. Drew, Administrator  
Public Information and Permitting Unit  
P.O. Box 95  
Concord, NH 03302-0095

Dear Mr. Drew,

We reside at 290 Parker Road in Whitefield all year. We started coming to Whitefield in 1967 to a camp that was owned by my father and by his father before him. The camp was located on the edge of the family farm that was started in the late 1830's, and for the most part is still owned by members of the family. In 1987, we built a log house on the property.

Our reasons for making the seven hour trip from our home in Central New York was to enjoy Northern New Hampshire with its beautiful scenery and to take advantage of all the hiking and recreational activities available in the area.

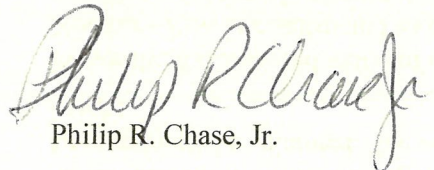
In 1993, upon retirement, we moved to Whitefield to further enjoy Northern New Hampshire with all its great scenery. We have unobstructed views of the Mountain View Grand and many of the mountains. The current transmission line would be in our view except that its 55 foot poles are lower than the trees on the edge of the right-of-way. This will all change should the Northern Pass be constructed as planned. We would then see a number of steel lattice towers of 90 to 100 feet in height.

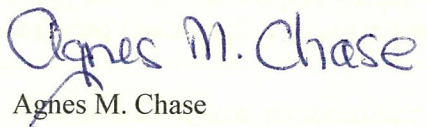
Presently, the assessed value of our land is adjusted upwards by a 25% view adjustment. If the Northern Pass is constructed as proposed, we, along with many others having a view adjustment, would appeal the adjustment, lowering the value of our property. The net result of the lower assessed values will lead to increased tax rates in the Town.

We also ask you to consider the impact of the Northern Pass as proposed on the area. The Town of Whitefield is experiencing difficult economic times and tourism is a big driver to businesses in the area. Loss of views and the accumulation of power lines crossing main roads in the Town will reduce the tourist experience in the area. There is also the possibility that those having a drink on the porch at the Mountain View Grand will experience steel lattice towers along with the mountains.

We do question the need for the Northern Pass, but will accept that the electricity is needed and the project will go forward. We do ask the Site Evaluation Committee to give serious consideration to having the HDVC line buried along its entire route from Canada to Deerfield. Undergrounding should provide for better reliability during stormy periods, as well as a better experience for visitors to the area.

Sincerely,

  
Philip R. Chase, Jr.

  
Agnes M. Chase