

2015-06 Northern Pass Transmission - Eversource 2016-01-26 Marie Straiton Pembroke

I am writing you about my grave concern for the construction of the Northern Pass (NP) in New Hampshire. I believe we as citizens of New Hampshire can all agree that we appreciate our modern conveniences with the use of electricity. We can all agree that we want the creation of new viable jobs and potential tax relief. But I believe it is a temporary fix for a permanent HVAC scar through our state. What I adamantly disagree with is the way in which the NP has been conducting business in our precious state for the past five years. They have presented glowing glossy ads and power point presentations depicting helping the citizens of NH. But in reality NP would like to construct an antiquated HVAC line from Canada straight through our states to help the states to our south.....that is anything but green. The only green that will happen will be in the profits made by the shareholders of NP and Hydro-Quebec at the expense of our beautiful state. I ask that the entire line be buried.

NP has promised our communities tax relief. In reality this money once dispersed to every member of our towns will be minimal. And I ask for how many years am I, as a tax payer, going to save \$100/yr? For how many years 3, 5, 10yrs?? And what about property values? The NP antiquated HVAC line is permanent. Once built it is here to stay. Once new technology is achieved NP will likely abandon the HVAC scar through NH. I ask that the entire line be buried.

Vermont is burying their line. There has been little resistance among the people of Vermont because their desires are being granted. We need to demand NP to bury the entire line. For the sake of our precious state we should only conduct business with them if they bury the line. It may cost NP a little more money but in the long run everybody wins...not just NP. The corporation obviously has money to spend with all the advertisements that we have to endure and promises of tax relief. They tout how much they have listened to NH but they have only half listened. Please, I ask that the entire line be buried.

Additionally, I am pleading that you look into the devastation Hydro Quebec has placed upon the lands in Canada. This mega-corporation (one of the world's largest) has diverted rivers through native Indians lands and environmentally destroyed old river beds and released toxins into the air. This is not green energy. Please do the research for the sake of our beautiful state. If the energy is necessary I ask that the entire line be buried.

Thank you for your time

Marie Straiton

708 Cross County Rd.  
Pembroke, NH 03275