

March 16, 2016

Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord, NH 03301

RE: SEC Docket No. 2015-06, Northern Pass Transmission - Eversource

Dear Ms. Monroe,

While I am unable to join you and the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee at today's public hearing, as the Founder and CEO of Dyn in Manchester, NH and a major employer in our state, I want to express my strong support for the Northern Pass transmission project.

I have met with many companies across the state who are struggling under the weight of some of the highest energy prices in the nation. Without relief, companies that have long been the mainstay of our state's economy, providing well paying jobs for New Hampshire families, are now for competitive reasons making choices on when and where their future expansion plans will happen. Many are looking at out of state options. Our state's future economy is at risk.

Companies such as ours have made great strides in energy efficiency, as has the region as a whole. Yet overall energy consumption in the state and region continues to increase. That increase, combined with a regional energy generation fleet that has many key facilities retiring and being taken out of service, has business consumers in New Hampshire and New England very concerned.

We do have solutions. Hydroelectric power has proven to be an abundant, reliable, economical, renewable energy resource that is at our doorstep. Northern Pass will begin to bring predictability to our energy market and stabilize our energy cost.

The Northern Pass Transmission project will bring reliable, low-cost energy to New Hampshire. This will begin to address our high electricity costs, which will begin to remove a major obstacle to our region's economic competitiveness. For these reasons, I urge your thoughtful consideration of the application before you and hope you will join me and many in New Hampshire business community in supporting the Northern Pass transmission project.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Hitchcock
Co-Founder & CEO
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Manchester, NH