

Dear Mr. Honigberg and members of the SEC,

I appreciate your care in establishing Sept. 30, 2017 as a reasonable date for a decision about the Northern Pass. Actually, even that date seems quick given the enormous complexities of the issue and the detailed information that needs to be assembled carefully to make a sound decision. President Lincoln once noted that "nothing can be lost by taking time" to make a sound decision, and any manipulated rush to judgment injures the interests of everyone. Thank you for affirming that this issue needs the time you have allotted to it.

Sincerely,
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