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## Hello Marissa

My name is Rick LeVasseur. As a former State Rep, I was on the Science, Energy & Technology committee.

I am scheduled to testify on Thursday, but I am not able to attend. If possible, please include, into your records, my brief statement.

As a long time N.H. resident & former State Rep, I am in favor of the proposed hydro project. Our committee has studied this project in great detail. Here are some of the points I believe are important.

- 1. This project will produce the most effective form of renewable energy available. Historically, hydro power is the oldest source of energy in America.
- 2. Hydro power is extremely dependable, and is available 24/7.
- 3. Hydro power is environmentally friendly, It produces no pollution.

4. Our state has some of the highest electric rates in the U.S. This project has the potential to lower those rates. Lower energy costs will attract companies to our state.

Many of us understand the concerns some residents have with visual effect on the New Hampshire landscape. But the main concern, of the SEC Committee should be "THE GREATER GOOD" for our citizens.

Thank you for the opportunity to give my views on this matter.

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