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Hi Pamela,

I think the Northern Pass project should only be built if the lines are underground or otherwise not visible.

I live in Amherst, which is far away from where the 160-foot transmission line towers would be built. But I think New Hampshire depends on tourist business, and no one wants to vacation in a forest with huge metal towers all over the place.

Eversource is my electric company, and I hate them. They just keep raising the electric rates when they are the highest in the country already. Even dinky electric companies like North American Power and Direct Energy can provide electricity much more inexpensively.

A lot of Eversource's cost is from their failed nuclear power plant that they insisted on building in the NH seacoast vacation area. It went bust on cost overruns, and electric customers are still paying for it. Northern Pass is another project that the people in NH do not want.

I do not trust Eversource for any project estimates. I do not think the Northern Pass project will lower electric rates, or have any benefits for the state. It will benefit Eversource only.

So we need to require that this be built in a way that will not harm the environment or tourist business in the state. Eversource does not care about that.

- Bruce

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