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The proposed project makes no sense, will benefit nobody, and will likely cost more than a simple alternative.

1) Locate the proposed Conversion Station at the Canadian border rather than Monroe, NH

2) Used the existing (wide) right of way down through VT and NH to Londonderry to trench and bury a new HVAC line while the existing aerial towers remain operational. It should cost less to do this than to modify the existing towers. Provide extra space inside the conduit for future expansion if needed.

3) Connect a new underground HVAC link, then remove all the existing towers.

4) The Northern Pass route is now serves no purpose and can be abandoned, saving money besides.

This approach gives H-Q the power they say they need, plus more in the future if needed, and at less cost than NPT now proposes. There is no disruption in NH(or in VT). On the other hand, if approved, property taxes will likely rise throughout NH, jobs may be lost and the economy burdened. The proposed approach benefits no one, while the alternative above is a win-win for everybody.

An underground HVAC line is more reliable, easier to protect, provides flexibility for future needs and will likely cost less to build, operate and maintain than continued use of aerial towers. H-Q already has the needed right of way.