

## SEC COMMENTS COLLECTION

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To: NH Site Evaluation Committee  
Governor Sununu

I'm writing to add my comments to the many New Hampshire residents who have spoken in opposition to the proposed "Northern Pass" project. The project would, if approved, largely benefit corporations, their shareholders and electric customers outside NH, while leaving the state with the costs – social costs, economic costs and damage to natural systems. The proposal would ruin large swaths of the state's more scenic areas, degrade wetlands and uplands, negatively affect wildlife and reduce property values for those nearby. It would open the door for ongoing land damage resulting from vehicular activity that it would attract.

Promises and suggestions of local property tax income from the project and minimal reductions in electricity costs for customers do not come close to yielding a positive cost-benefit conclusion for the proposed project. It represents a net loss for our state.

New Hampshire residents have already paid too much of a cost defending themselves and their state's qualities from this bad idea. They've spent their own money, countless hours of time and have sacrificed their peace of mind to fend off this affront to their quality of life. I urge the SEC to resoundingly reject the Northern Pass proposal and protect New Hampshire's lands from the damages it would cause.

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