From: Jacki [<u>mailto:jackisue@aol.com</u>] Sent: Friday, August 4, 2017 2:49 PM To: Monroe, Pamela Subject: Northern Pass Eversource 2015-2016

Dear Ms. Monroe:

Thank you for accepting comments on the Eversource Northern Pass proposal. I am not in favor of the project. I feel that the economic arguments for the project are specious and misleading. The jobs associated with the construction are only temporary, yet the impact on Bethlehem's key revenue source, tourism, could be disastrous.

Bethlehem has already been abused by the state. Against the town's wishes, the NCES landfill has been continuously supported by NH DES, reports of order and water contamination are uniformly ignored. And now the state wants to place a transfer station within our town borders. This is pollution of a different kind - visual - yet it's impact on a town trying to recover from years of abuse by the landfill owner, Casella, will be equally negative.

Hydro Quebec has made it clear it will not take the economic risk of financing the project. That should be an obvious signal that the plan is not viable. And while the power generated is renewable hydro electric, Hydro Quebec's use of dams has, as we have learned from the First Nation communities, is anything but environmentally sound.

NH has many other options for creating renewable energy that can serve our community first. Hosting a line that benefits other states far more than ours is not in our best interest and should be rejected.

Thank you,

Jacki Katzman