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Subject: The current rule change for further opposition testimony is not fair in any way.

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Dear Pamela Monroe,

Why is the chair succumbing to pressure/criticism from the governor and others to expedite the process in a detrimental way? This criticism is uninformed and misplaced. Things would be going a lot faster if Northern Pass's witnesses gave direct answers and if Northern Pass had filed a complete application in the first place. The Governor should direct his criticism at Northern Pass, but he hasn't. This is wrong and you all know it! First off, these restrictions were not imposed on the tiny number of parties who intervened on the side of Northern Pass.

Second, it is unreasonable to require parties to predict now whether an otherwise friendly witness taking the stand in December will say something hostile to their interests when subjected to withering cross-examination by one of Northern Pass's stable of lawyers.

There are other due process issues raised by this order, such as normally you're not required to give your opponent a heads-up about what questions you're going to ask a witness.

As a resident of New Hampshire I hope the SEC will reject Northern Pass's certificate for an inadequately written/designed plan.

Eversource and Hydro Quebec have both said they aren't paying for the project which raises the question whether either of the companies have the financial capability to build and operate this \$1.6 billion project. The transmission towers and lines are going to have a horrible effect on the landscape, historic sites, and the environment in New Hampshire. The transmission line also will not serve our state, as it merely passes through New Hampshire.

I hope the committee will reject this project's certificate to prevent it from harming our state.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Mike & Lynda Vogel