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New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

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The Honorable Christopher T. Sununu Office of the Governor State House 107 North Main Street Concord, NH 03301

The Honorable Margaret W. Hassan United States Senate 330 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen United States Senate 506 Hart Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Carol Shea-Porter United States House of Representatives 1530 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Joseph D. Kenney New Hampshire Executive Council 107 North Main Street State House, Room 207 Concord, NH 03301

Secretary Matt Beaton, State of Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs 100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114 RE: My Total Opposition to the Northern Pass Project

Dear Ms. Monroe and the entire New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee, Governor Sununu, Senator Hassan, Senator Shaheen, Representative Shea-Porter, Councilor Kenney, and Secretary Beaton:

I am writing to express my opposition to the Northern Pass project in its entirety, including the specific proposal to bury transmission lines under Main Street in Plymouth, New Hampshire. It is utterly ridiculous and arrogant for a foreign company and its local henchmen to cram this entirely unnecessary but completely damaging project down the throats of New Hampshire residents and business owners who DO NOT WANT THIS PROJECT!!! We have a beautiful state. We have a beautiful Main Street in Plymouth, New Hampshire. We want to keep them that way!!!!

## We do not want:

- Towers with heights up to 135 feet or more destroying our views and scenic landscapes
- Degradation of natural and recreational resources at the regional, state, and federal levels, including destruction of wildlife habitat and migratory routes
- Depreciation of private and public land values
- Complete inability for commercial, institutional, and private entities to obtain electric power in the first 140 miles of the line which are high-voltage direct current, WHILE HAVING TO LIVE WITH THE ABOVE-REFERENCED INSULTS
- The nightmares that would ensue from digging up Main Street in Plymouth, including loss of reasonably manageable traffic flow on a day-to-day basis, including during emergencies; loss of parking (parking already being a HUGE problem because there isn't enough now); loss of revenue for the many small businesses; potentially devastating loss of revenue such that some businesses may be forced to close; loss of aesthetic appeal due to loss of outdoor dining, loss of a free and easy pedestrian corridor, loss of space for fellowship and comradery, loss of outdoor space to host music festivals, band concerts, and holiday celebrations, and loss of relative peace and quiet due to construction; and severe interruption to normal operating practices at Plymouth State University.
- To have to pay for the poor energy planning and choices made by responsible entities in Massachusetts and Connecticut. Let those states solve their own energy problems without having to rape New Hampshire.

Please listen to those who oppose this project. Contrary to what some may say, Northern Pass DOES NOT ENJOY BROAD PUBLIC SUPPORT IN NEW HAMPSHIRE!!!!

Thank you for your consideration.

Mary Burden McGrath

Very truly yours,

Mary Burden McGrath