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## Dear Ms. Monroe:

While deciding on the Northern Pass project, please consider the following: There is no real evidence that there will be any significant benefit to the people of New Hampshire. The vast majority of power generated will pass through our state to the south with little returning to NH. Scenic views will be adversely affected, negatively impacting tourism and, in many cases, lowering property values in the vicinity of towers where the lines are not buried. The relatively few jobs being created during the construction phase of the project will all but disappear upon its completion. Other projects now in progress, bringing hydropower down from Canada to the Northeast, are either being completely buried or are passing through existing rights of ways. Why not Northern Pass? The argument they present, that the cost to bury the cable is prohibitive, seems weak, since other companies can bear the added cost of burial. Hydro Quebec will undoubtedly still make a tremendous profit on the project over time, even if the up front cost of burying the lines, is higher. These, and many other environmental and economic concerns about the Northern Pass project should convince the SEC to decide against the project as it stands or require that the lines be buried throughout the entire corridor. Thank you for your consideration.