

## SEC COMMENTS COLLECTION

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To the Site Evaluation Committee;  
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I am strongly opposed to allowing the construction of a massive electric transmission line from Hydro Quebec through New Hampshire to Massachusetts for many reasons, including the following:  
The dams built to provide power for Hydro Quebec have flooded millions of acres of forested land that provided homes and a means of making a living to thousands of Indigenous Canadians and habitat for many millions of forest inhabitants. The flooding also destroyed trillions of photosynthesizing plants that were helping to absorb the carbon dioxide that we humans are blasting into the air we need for survival.  
Building Northern Pass will increase markets for Hydro Quebec and create more incentive for Canada to increase the destruction of these forests, destroying even more of this carbon sink that we badly need along with all the accompanying habitat destruction.  
This is not only extremely short sighted on our part, but will trap all of New Hampshire's electric infrastructure investment money in a poorly thought out project that is heavily centralized, detrimental to our highly essential tourism industry, and of no real benefit to the citizens of New Hampshire. I do expect we NH consumers will pay for it, whether we use any of the power from it or not, while losing our forest land and tourist dollars.  
Recent weather catastrophes around the nation highlight the foolishness of building above ground towers, but beyond that it is very likely that by the time this mess is completed the very concept of centralized sourcing of our electricity will be outdated. Small, decentralized renewable energy projects---wind and solar as well as many promising energy sources not yet properly funded or made publicly available which would keep money here ----are a much better fit for NH. Unfortunately we will not be able to take advantage of these promising new resources, as we will be financially caught into this bad Eversource investment.

I listened carefully to the NHPR series on this project and found great irony in the conclusion that all renewable resources have a down side so we need to balance the burden, while NH prepares to accept a project that both puts the burden squarely on the one group that did not add to our carbon problem, the First Nations Communities, while simultaneously destroying the one thing that is currently our greatest climate change mitigating resource, the great northern forests.  
Please require the State of New Hampshire to be more forward looking than this, and deny the siting of the Northern Pass Transmission Project.  
Thankyou