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New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee
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RE: NH SEC Docket 2015-08

Dear Attorney General Foster and SEC:

You have both moved to intervene in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) proceeding assigned Docket CP16-21 pertaining to the application of Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company LLC (“TG”) for a certificate of public convenience and necessity regarding the Northeast Energy Direct (“NED”) project, also the subject of the above-referenced SEC docket.

We are now more than three weeks past the time (January 5, 2016) that TG could have first submitted its application with the SEC, yet nothing (according to the SEC docket) has been filed. It is becoming increasingly apparent that TG may be intentionally delaying its SEC application to avoid a potentially adverse ruling prior to the determination.

The SEC has a statutory obligation under R.S.A. Chapter 162-H to protect the public’s interest respecting the NED project. This includes insisting that the FERC withhold action on its TG application until the SEC has been afforded the opportunity to reach its determination such that it may be considered in the FERC’s decision-making. The Attorney General also has the obligation to protect the interests of New Hampshire and its citizens in the matter—which, likewise, requires insistence that the FERC proceeding not conclude without consideration of the SEC/State’s ultimate position (decision) as to whether the NED project is in the state’s best interests.

I greatly appreciate the motions to intervene that you have filed in the FERC proceeding, but implore you to both file motions to stay the matter until such time as the SEC has reached its decision. Neither of you have to take a position on the merits, but demanding a fully-informed decision which includes the SEC’s decision is, indisputably, in the public interest.

Thank you for your time and courtesy in this matter.

Sincerely,


Richard Husband

cc: Concerned Citizens