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**To:** Monroe, Pamela

**Subject:** 2016 SEC rule making contribution, motivated by SEC docket # 2015-08

Ms Monroe,

My name is Tim Somero and I am a New Hampshire resident living with my wife, step-son, and son at 42 Old Tenney Road, New Ipswich, NH. Since learning about the NED pipeline project, I have been diligently studying the energy business to determine if there is any reason for NED that helps New Hampshire or New England.

At this time, I see zero reason for the project. My position is NO BUILD.

One disturbing aspect of my research is the health effect of any fossil fuel based energy infrastructure on humans. Dr. Curtis Norgaard gave a presentation at the Temple NH Elementary school last winter and provided medically sound data on the projected public health effects of the proposed compressor station, including estimated deaths among the 14,000 people in the towns surrounding New Ipswich.

Data on what appears to be a 'death rating' in siting any energy infrastructure opened my eyes.

What this means is that any energy infrastructure (my research focus is on fracked gas infrastructure, but this is true for any energy infrastructure: solar, nuclear, hydro, oil, coal, etc.) that generates emissions has a health impact - a NEGATIVE health impact that can be measured in the estimated deaths.

To plan for this, I feel that a mandatory aspect of siting considerations is to require estimated public health effects (including deaths) and a mandatory inventory, assessment, and expansion plan for health care resources available to the affected public citizens.

To further focus this request, please consider our children. We adults have freedom to deliberately change variables in terms of where we live, work, and socialize. Not so for the children of New Hampshire. New Hampshire children are dependent on adult citizens to make reasonable and rational decisions. I feel that it is unnecessary to further expand on my motivations.

Specifically, I request rules that mandate answers to anticipated increases for the following:

1. What are the number of affordable medical doctors available for the surrounding population?
2. What are the number of available hospital beds?
3. What are the number of short- and long-term nursing home facilities available for affected people?
4. What specialty medical skills are available to satisfy any projected health impact?
5. What specific plan does the energy industry have to satisfy any projected increases in all of the above?

A truism that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure applies to the 2016 SEC rule making exercise. Please incorporate my request and develop rules so that we look ahead to maintain the best possible public health in conjunction with the best possible energy solutions for New Hampshire.

Sincerely,

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