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Ms. Pamela Monroe, Administrator
NH Site Evaluation Committee
21 Fruit Street
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Ms. Monroe,

We are writing to you today to voice our support for the position taken by the Town of Pittsburg with regard to the use of their municipal rights of way by utilities as energy corridors without Town consent. As stated in their correspondence we feel that RSA 231:161 clearly provides municipal governing bodies the exclusive authority to permit and license such uses of municipally owned rights of way.

We also agree with the Town of Pittsburg's assertion that the Site Evaluation Committee would not have the authority to override the provisions of RSA 231:161. Further, we reject the claim by Eversource that the Site Evaluation Committee has the authority to preempt this municipal right.

We respectfully request that you recognize the legal authority of a municipality to permit and license the use of its rights of way and refrain from intervening in this matter.


Best Regards,

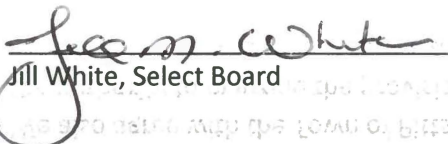
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