



THE NORTHERN PASSSM

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Mr.

Columbia, NH 03576

Dear

Over the last few weeks, you may have heard information in the news regarding "The Northern Pass," a significant clean energy project proposed by Public Service of New Hampshire's parent company, Northeast Utilities, along with NSTAR and Hydro-Québec.

The Northern Pass recently filed a permit application with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), which included a preliminary preferred route for the project's transmission line. This route was chosen through a vigorous process aimed at minimizing impacts to state and local resources.

I am writing today because your properties in Columbia, NH may be located along the preliminary preferred route for this project. In the coming weeks, project representatives will be contacting you to provide additional information about the proposed project. We would like to meet with you, at your convenience, to introduce ourselves, answer questions you may have, and discuss how the project (if approved) could affect your properties.

Enclosed is some general information about the project and what it aims to achieve for New Hampshire and the region. Please note that The Northern Pass is still in the early "planning and permitting" stages, and that the DOE filing in October was only the first step in a rigorous federal and state "review and approval" process that we expect will take up to two years to complete.

As part of this formal review process, you and other interested parties will have many opportunities to provide input on The Northern Pass. The project representatives that meet with you will be able to provide more information about the public input process and upcoming meetings in your area.

Thank you for your time; we will be in touch soon to introduce ourselves and discuss your questions and concerns. In the meantime, please feel free to contact us at 1-800-286-7305 or info@northernpass.us if you have any immediate questions.

Sincerely,

Anne Bartosewicz
Northern Pass Transmission
Project Director

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