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New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee  
Pamela G. Monroe, Administrator  
21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10  
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**Re: NH Site Evaluation Committee Docket No. 2015-06: Northern Pass Transmission LLC and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (1) Additional Information to Address Revised SEC Rules and (2) Applicants' Request for Partial Waivers Under the Newly Adopted SEC Rules**

Dear Ms. Monroe:

In response to your letter dated December 28, 2015, Northern Pass Transmission LLC and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (collectively the "Applicants") submit this letter and additional information to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee ("SEC" or the "Committee") to conform to the readopted rules of the Committee.

The Application submitted on October 19, 2015 already substantially encompasses the information required to satisfy most of the new rules. Prior to filing, the Applicants anticipated the adoption of the new rules and closely followed their development. Therefore, the original Application incorporated almost all of the materials ultimately required by the new rules and the additional information being provided now is extremely limited in comparison to the original filing. Moreover, this filing does not identify any new, increased, or different impacts, it does not involve any changes to the actual Project proposal, and it does not require any new pre-filed testimony.<sup>1</sup>

The additional information being submitted is limited to relatively few topics that principally address: (1) the one alternate route that the Applicants considered technically available, although not preferred, but that is in reality not a viable alternative; (2) identification of wetlands, surface waters and archeological sites on property abutting the site that will not be impacted by the Project; (3) information that has largely already been provided on the legal rights to construct the Project along the route; (4) the contractors that have been recently selected by the Project; and (5) new requirements for the contents of the Visual Impact Assessment.

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<sup>1</sup> The Applicants are substituting one witness

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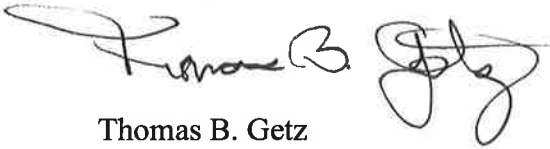
The Applicants provide this information as contained in the attached document entitled Additional Information to Address Revised SEC Rules Effective as of December 16, 2015. The additional information includes narrative to address only those elements in the new SEC rules that are not already addressed in the original Application, and certain attachments where the new information is best included on maps or in other documents.

This submittal and the original Application address all elements of the new SEC rules, except for aspects for which the Applicants are seeking waivers, in whole or in part, of the new requirements of Site 301.03(c) and 301.08(c)(2). In the accompanying Applicants' Request for Partial Waivers Under the Newly Adopted SEC Rules, the Applicants request a waiver of certain requirements in the new rules that are at once largely inapplicable to a linear transmission line and onerous and overly burdensome.

Enclosed please find one original unredacted paper copy, one redacted paper copy, and eight redacted electronic copies of the Additional Information. Two redacted electronic copies are being provided to Counsel for the Public and one redacted electronic copy is being provided to Counsel for the Committee and to each Town along the Project route.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas B. Getz", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Thomas B. Getz

cc: SEC Service List  
Host Communities

Enclosures