

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
SITE EVALUATION COMMITTEE
Docket No. 2015-06**

**Re: Joint Application of Northern Pass Transmission, LLC
and Public Service Company of New Hampshire
d/b/a Eversource Energy for a Certificate of Site and Facility**

ORDER AND NOTICE

It is hereby ordered, that N.H. Site Evaluation Committee in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Energy, shall conduct a Public Hearing on **March 7, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.** at the Colebrook Elementary School, 27 Dumont Street, Colebrook, New Hampshire;

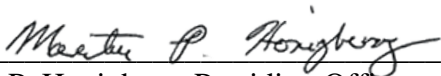
It is hereby further ordered, that N.H. Site Evaluation Committee in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Energy, shall conduct a Public Hearing on **March 10, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.** at the Grappone Center, 70 Constitution Avenue, Concord, NH;

It is hereby further ordered, that the Applicant shall cause a copy of the following Notices of Public Hearing to be published no later than **February 22, 2016**, in one or more newspaper(s) having a regular circulation in Coos County and in Merrimack County;

It is hereby further ordered, that the Applicant shall provide affidavits documenting the required publication of this order and notice and a copy of the published public notice to the Administrator no later than **February 26, 2016**; and

It is hereby further ordered, that the Applicant shall bear the cost of said publication.

By Order of the Site Evaluation Committee, this third day of February, 2016.



Martin P. Honigberg, Presiding Officer
New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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**CONDUCTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

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On October 19, 2015, Northern Pass Transmission, LLC and Public Service Company of New Hampshire d/b/a Eversource Energy (collectively Applicant), filed an Application for a Certificate of Site and Facility (Application) with the Site Evaluation Committee (Committee). The Applicant seeks the issuance of a Certificate of Site and Facility approving the siting, construction, and operation of a 192-mile transmission line and associated facilities with a capacity rating of up to 1,090 MW from the Canadian border in Pittsburg in Coos County to Deerfield in Rockingham County (Project).

On December 18, 2015, the duly appointed Subcommittee considering the Application issued an order finding that the Application contained sufficient information to carry out the purposes of RSA 162-H.

RSA 162-H:10, I-c, requires that within 90 days after acceptance of an application for a certificate, that the Site Evaluation Committee shall hold at least one public hearing in each county where the proposed facility will be located. The public hearing is a joint hearing, with representatives of state agencies that have permitting or other regulatory authority over the subject matter and shall be in lieu of all hearings otherwise required by any of the other state agencies. The public hearing will also provide the public with information on the proposed project and an opportunity for the public to submit oral and written comments and to ask questions.

For the convenience of the public, this hearing will be conducted in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Energy to receive comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/EIS-0463) and the Supplement to the Draft EIS (DOE/EIS-0463-S1).

The Coos County public hearing will be held on **March 7, 2016**, at **5:00 p.m.** at the **Colebrook Elementary School, 27 Dumont Street, Colebrook, NH.**

The Merrimack County public hearing will be held on **March 10, 2016**, at **5:00 p.m.** at the **Grappone Center, 70 Constitution Avenue, Concord, NH.**

The Application and all other filings in this docket are located on the Committee's website www.nhsec.nh.gov or by contacting Pamela Monroe, Administrator, Site Evaluation Committee, Pamela.monroe@sec.nh.gov or (603) 271-2435.