February 12, 2015

Sent via Registered Mail Cheryl A LaFleur, Chair Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: Kinder Morgan proposed Northeast Energy Direct Project Docket N.PF14-22-000

Dear Chairwoman LaFleur:

I am the current Majority Leader of the New Hampshire House of Representatives, however I am sending you this letter as the Representative serving District 26 of Hillsboro County.

After concerns from my constituents, review of documents from Kinder Morgan and discussions with Eversource New Hampshire (formerly Public Service of New Hampshire), I am providing you the following input regarding the referenced project being reviewed by your commission.

If the project is approved, 17 communities will be affected. This proposal includes provisions of eminent domain, access roads and pumping stations. This is above and beyond the blasting, construction and environmental impact to install the pipeline. This pipeline is considered needed due to the increased price and demand for natural gas for electricity production for the region. I assume the natural gas will provide energy to the existing power generating facilities in the region. They in turn, provide electricity for ISO-NE, located in Connecticut.

Additionally, in discussions with Eversource New Hampshire, they plan on proposing to your commission an enlarging of an EXISTING natural gas pipeline, the Spectra Pipeline. This pipeline services generating facilities in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. All of these power generating facilities provide power to ISO-NE.

In light of the aforementioned facts and the attempt to minimize the impact of resolving the energy needs in the New England Region, I am encouraging you to deny the Kinder Morgan Proposal and approve the enlarging of the Spectra Pipeline upon its submission.

Furthermore, for your information, when either of these projects comes to the New Hampshire Site Evaluation Committee (SEC), I will be supporting the enlarging of the Spectra Pipeline.

I am sure you can understand the benefits of utilizing an existing pipeline over constructing a new one. Furthermore, with the power sold through the New England Grid (ISO-NE), having a pipeline that already provides natural gas to those power generators makes the most sense.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at the number listed below. I hope you view this information helpful and concur with the conclusions I have made and suggested outcome.

Sincerely Yours,

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