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RE: Petition by Mr. Taras Kucman to intervene in the matter of Northern Pass Transmission LLC's Amended Presidential Permit Application (PP-371) Submitted July 1, 2013.

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

Please find enclosed my petition to intervene in this matter.

I hereby certify that I served copies of this letter and the enclosed petition by Overnight Federal Express today to each of the following:

Anne Bartosewicz Northeast Utilities 107 Selden Street Berlin, CT 07037 Mary Anne Sullivan Hogan Lovells, LLP 555 13th Street, NW Washington, DC 20004

Sincerely,

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF ELECTRICITY DELIVERY AND ENERGY RELIABILITY

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Northern Pass Transmission LLC Application for Presidential Permit Docket PP-371

MR. TARAS KUCMAN MOTION TO INTERVENE IN OPPOSITION TO THE AMENDED APPLICATION AS SUBMITTED JULY 1, 2013

Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's ("FERC") Rules of Practice (18 CFR 385.214), I move to intervene in the above captioned proceeding.

1. Notices, correspondence and other communications

All notices, correspondence and other information concerning this proceeding should be directed to:

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2. Movant's Interest

As a property owner living on the PSNH Right of Way in Concord, NH, I am directly impacted by the amended proposal Northern Pass LLC has presented on July 1, 2013.

3. Movant's Opposition

I oppose the Northern Pass project as recently amended as it would threaten injury or much worse to me, my family or those in my charge. Whereas the present wooden towers are located well within the PSNH Right of Way, their collapse due to weather, other acts of GOD or terrorism would be well contained within the limits of the ROW boundary. With the proposed project changes, the centerline of the current transmission lines will be brought 45' closer to my home. Elevating the towers another 30' effectively moves the ground impact point 75' closer to my home. This impact point will now fall outside the ROW boundary onto my private property by 30'

Secondly, PSNH has shown a blatant disregard for my property as evidenced by the transmission line move in 2007. The eastern wooden towers were taken down and moved approx. 25' closer to the eastern ROW boundary. The wooden towers were replaced by single pole towers approx. 80' tall. This move necessitated a 20 to 30 foot tree cutting and clearing project. Those trees are still lying where they dropped six years ago. Now that Northern Pass is proposing a 45' tower translation on the western boundary beside my home, I can expect to find 30 to 40 trees dropped and abandoned 40 to 50 feet from my back door step.

Finally, Northern Pass has repeatedly stated that property values will not be adversely affected. I respectfully disagree. Had I seen 85' towers 100' from my house, I would not have offered half of what I offered 17 years ago, much less what the appraisals say the property is worth now, before this project implementation. The vision of dozens of dropped pines 40 to 50 feet from the backdoor, would hardly be a pride point for any home owner much less provide a satisfactory playground for children.

4. Additional Comments

I strongly recommend that DOE include two or more alternatives in the Environmental Impact Study which require the complete burial of a Northern Pass transmission line (be these in New Hampshire or elsewhere). It is clear that burial of such facilities is where the technology is moving.

Dated this 17th day of September, 2013.

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