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September 10, 2013

Christopher Lawrence  
Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE-20)  
U.S. Department of Energy  
1000 Independence Avenue S.W.  
Washington, DC 20585

Re: Motion to Intervene in Northern Pass Transmission, LLC's Application for Presidential Permit - OE Docket No. PP-371

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

Enclosed please find the City of Concord, New Hampshire's Motion to Intervene in Northern Pass Transmission, LLC's Application for Presidential Permit. Copies of this Motion to Intervene have been filed with Anne Bartosewicz, Northeast Utilities, 107 Selden Street, Berlin, CT 06037; and Mary Anne Sullivan, Hogan Lovells, LLP, 555 13<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Washington, DC 20004.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

James W. Kennedy

cc: Anne Bartosewicz  
Mary Anne Sullivan

Enclosures

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
OFFICE OF ELECTRICITY DELIVERY

Northern Pass Transmission, LLC  
Application for Presidential Permit

OE Docket No. PP-371

City of Concord, New Hampshire's Motion to Intervene

NOW COMES the City of Concord, by and through its attorneys, the Office of the City Solicitor, and moves to intervene in the Northern Pass Transmission, LLC's Application for a Presidential Permit in accordance with 18 CFR 385.212 and 18 CFR 385.214, and support thereof, states as follows:

1. City of Concord's Interest

The City of Concord, New Hampshire is a municipal corporation and the Capital City for the State of New Hampshire. The Northern Pass project, as proposed, intersects with certain areas throughout the City of Concord. On June 21, 2013, the City of Concord City Manager sent a letter of concern to the U.S. Department of Energy outlining those concerns, which include:

- a. The potential impact the Northern Pass project will have on the City of Concord's character and property values as a result of the project's potential visual impacts. The visual impact of large pylons is of particular worry. (A study prepared by the Appalachian Mountain Club has found that not only would Concord be the municipality with the largest number of acres exposed to towers, but Concord would also have the highest number of visible towers per acre.)
- b. Areas in the City of Concord may be severely impacted, including residential areas, where an increased number of towers would be visible and dominate the landscape, and where limited remaining visual buffers could be lost.

On September 9, 2013, the Concord City Council directed the City Solicitor to Move to Intervene as a party in Northern Pass Transmission, LLC's Application for a Presidential Permit.

2. Notices, correspondence and other communications

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

James W. Kennedy, City Solicitor  
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WHEREFORE, the City of Concord respectfully requests that the Department of Energy:

- A. Grant the City of Concord's Motion to Intervene; and
- B. Grant such other and further relief as may be just.

Respectfully submitted,

CITY OF CONCORD

September 10, 2013

By:

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**Certificate of Service**

I hereby certify that on this 10th day of September, 2013, the original and was mailed by first class, U.S. mail to Mr. Christopher Lawrence, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE-20), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue S.W., Washington, DC 20585 and a copy was mailed to Anne Bartosewicz, Northeast Utilities, 107 Selden Street, Berlin CT, 06037 and Mary Anne Sullivan, Hogan Lovells, LLP, 555 13th St. NW., Washington, DC 20004.

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