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Debra Howland Executive Director and Secretary
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
21 S. Fruit Street, Suite 10
Concord New Hampshire 03301

RE: DG14-380
Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Petition for Approval of Long-Term Firm
Transportation Agreement

Dear Ms. Howland,

This is to request that for the greater good of the citizens of the State of New Hampshire, the PUC reject the above-referenced agreement.

Putting aside the host of negative impacts on New Hampshire's landscape, tourism industry, environment, and citizens should the NED pipeline be approved by FERC to carry this (and a lot more) gas -- and that pipeline is part and parcel of this agreement, making it incomprehensible that the PUC cares not a whit about those impacts in making its decision -- there simply is no need for this nor does it make financial sense for the average citizen. In an effort to abide by PUC's limitations on what my concerns should be, I will address only those points that PUC apparently cares about that I am able to address without the benefit of having endless financial resources to hire an "expert" to craft a report to support my viewpoint.

Looking first at the purported need for this agreement, the New Hampshire "energy crisis" as is being asserted by Liberty Utilities and its affiliate investors in the NED pipeline project (nb: Teddy "The Trustbuster" Roosevelt would surely look askance at that cozy relationship, as should the PUC) is a fiction not supported by facts. Liberty has alternate sources for the very limited time period during which we may experience shortages, and New Hampshire is a net exporter of electricity. The capacity requested by Liberty far exceeds current or anticipated demand; there is simply no need, especially given that there are already alternate sources available.

Turning to the money, it remains in dispute whether or not this agreement would result in reduced costs for the handful of customers served by Liberty; unfortunately, John Q. Public does not have the wherewithal or resources to hire an economist to perform the analysis needed to counter the bought-and-paid-for analysis submitted by Liberty's hired guns, but we can at least hope that the PUC is savvy enough to recognize that Liberty and Tennessee Gas/Kinder Morgan have zero interest in providing ANYTHING at a lower cost to citizens. What is clear, however, is that ultimately the costs will be pushed down to the users of electricity here in New Hampshire. I ask that you consider the concerns of those of us who actually pay those already high electric bills every month when deciding whether or not this agreement is approved.

In closing, as a 45 year citizen of this beautiful state, I ask that you reject this agreement as being unnecessary as we all know that it does nothing more than pave the way for Liberty to assist its affiliates Tennessee Gas/Kinder Morgan, in justifying the destruction of our landscape, environment, and for many citizens, their homes, to funnel their admittedly limited product through - not to - New Hampshire for the greater good of only corporate shareholders and Liberty's Canadian owner, Algonquin.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stephanie M. Husband', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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