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April 27, 2016

Re: DE 15-460, Northern Pass Transmission LLC Petition for Authority to Cross Public Waters Motions to Intervene

To the Parties:

On April 1, 2016, the Commission held a prehearing conference in the referenced docket. The Town of Franconia and the City of Concord each filed a petition to intervene, which the Commission took under advisement at the prehearing conference. There were no objections to the petitions to intervene. The Commission has determined that Franconia and Concord have a right, duty, privilege or interest in this proceeding and grants their petitions to intervene.

The Society for Protection of New Hampshire Forests (SPNHF) filed a petition to intervene on April 12, 2016, to which there were no objections. The petition states that SPNHF owns land in Clarksville that abuts a proposed crossing. The Commission has determined that SPNHF has a right, duty, privilege or interest affected by the proposed crossing and grants the petitions to intervene.

Kris Pastoriza filed a petition to intervene on April 6, 2016 to which Northern Pass Transmission, LLC, objected on April 16, 2016. Ms. Pastoriza claimed that there were deficiencies in the plans for the crossing in Easton and that the interests of the town are affected by the crossing. Ms. Pastoriza did not claim that she had the authority to represent the Town of Easton. According to the record, the Town of Easton received notice by certified mail of the above-captioned proceeding, but did not file a petition to intervene. The Commission has determined that Ms. Pastoriza's petition does not state a right, duty, privilege or interest that warrants intervention in this docket, and does not present any information to support intervention as a matter of justice. The Commission, on that basis, has denied Mr. Pastoriza's petition to intervene.

The Commission previously approved a procedural schedule in this docket on April 15, 2016. The schedule requires briefs to be filed on May 2, 2016 regarding the application of RSA 371:17 and RSA 371:20 to the crossings proposed in this docket.

Sincerely,

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Debra A. Howland **Executive Director**

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