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Subject: Intervention of all towns affected by NED in Petition for approval of gas franchise for Liberty Utilities

To all commissioners of the PUC.

Please accept the petition to intervene in the Liberty Utilities franchise approval of ALL NH towns which have applied for this status, as recommended by your staff.

It is a double whammy that while many of these towns besides Jaffrey, Rindge, Swanzey and Winchester see very little chance of benefiting from gas from this franchise, **THEY DO AND WILL EXPERIENCE SUBSTANTIAL IMPACT FROM THE DECISION.** These towns do have the RIGHT, and you have the DUTY to let their opinions be heard in matters such as this with substantial interest of and impacts to their towns.

Please keep the PUBLIC interest in the Public Utilities Commission. I as one of hundreds of identified ALOs regarding NED, along with hundreds more who are near enough to be severely impacted, and should be considered ALOs, as well as ALL residents of all these towns, you can certainly know and believe this is of severe impact to all of our lives in so many ways.

Liberty Utilities has approx. 90,000 customers, and NED is slated to travel through approx. 71 miles in NH. (over 10% of which - 8.36 miles is conservation land, as is mine in New Ipswich.) This translates to each 4.16 feet of pipeline in NH **HAVING ONE, COUNT EM ONE, END USER IN NH.** Are you considering the impact of all that blasting, construction, uncertainty, potential to damage to our water in a highly arsenic riddled state, and more of each 4.16 feet of pipe for **ONE END USER?** How can this be in the public good? You should be considering NH's Public **FIRST!** - Not the public of other states.

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