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Debra Howland, Executive Director
New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission
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RE: DG15-442

Liberty Utilities Corp.

Petition for approval of a gas franchise in Jaffrey, Rindge, Swanzey and Winchester

Dear Ms. Howland,

I attended a presentation in Rindge, NH on 12/16/2015 by Liberty Utility Representatives Michael Licata and Richard McDonald dealing with a proposed gas franchise in our town.

At this meeting a great deal of information was presented that was very questionable and downright misleading to residents in attendance. It was claimed that Liberty Utilities had interest from 72 businesses in town for their services, however, when pressed by residents to list these businesses, they stated that this information was solely based on demographics. Most of the residents at the meeting were doubtful they could list that many in any event. Furthermore, the map they presented listed an area in which depicted Franklin Pierce University as an end user. Our town Selectman, Mr. Robert Hamilton read a statement from the COO of the University stating that they had no interest or need for gas to be brought to the campus. Liberty Utility representative had no comment other than to say that the University had not been contacted.

Another disturbing point dealt with Liberty Utilities connection to the Kinder Morgan pipeline. It had been reported in local newspapers that Liberty would build it's distribution network regardless of what happened with the NED Pipeline. When Mr. Licata was questioned on this he admitted that that this would not be economically feasible.

In light of the fact that Liberty Utilities has a financial interest the development of the NED Pipeline construction project, it becomes apparent that they are artificially

creating a need for gas from Kinder Morgan / Tennessee Gas Pipeline. The citizens of NH have been assaulted by lies and misinformation in this process and would very much welcome someone from our State Government to represent the interest of New Hampshire citizens instead of big business and their lobbyist. Studies have shown that this project is not needed or wanted in NH and that it will cause untold hardship to all it's citizens.

Very Truly Yours,

Joseph Desruisseaux

Rindge, NH