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

Re: DE 16-241

Dear Ms. Howland,

This Comment is in the interest of opposing the contract under consideration in this docket. The campaign being waged by Eversource in their appeal for the Public Utilities Commission's approval for this contract with Algonquin Gas Transmission Co. appears to be, quite simply, without respect for the Commissioners abilities to bring common sense to the fore in their decision-making process.

Attempting to sell the PUC on the reasonableness of a 20 year fossil fuel contract in this day and age is like trying to sell a bunch of bananas that will be "delicious for weeks on end"Yankees know a rotten deal when they see one!

Aside from an outright slight-of-hand, it must be either based on an assumption of ignorance about climate change and the coming federal mandates within 10 years, or a profoundly cynical disrespect for the intelligence of our NH Public Utility Commissioners.

As if it would be prudent to accept the notion that the Marcellus shale play and natural gas markets will be reliably productive and stable for the next 20 years, even worthy of charging rate payers a tariff for the deal and risking more stranded costs from useless eroding pipelines underground, it insults our Commissioners' capacities to exercise sound business and cost-effectiveness practices, respect for New Hampshire ratepayers, and fundamental common sense.

I strongly request that you remain attentive to the absurdity of the Eversource 20 year contract with Algonquin Gas Transmission Co.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on this potentially pivotal decision.

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