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To: PUC - Executive.Director
Subject: Docket No. DG 16--852, Liberty Utilities (EnergyNorth Natural Gas) Corp.

Dear Director Howland:

As a resident of Lebanon, NH along the proposed path of the pipeline, I ask the Public Utilities Commission to deny Liberty Utilities' petition to extend its gas franchise to Lebanon and Hanover. A lot of the pipeline will be very close to the Mascoma River which has major flooding issues every year which could cause a break of the pipeline which would then dump the fracked gas into the river and endanger lives and pollute the Mascoma River.

The storage facility and distribution pipeline for the fracked gas that Liberty proposes to bring to my community by truck is incompatible with the need for a rapid transition to 100% renewable sources of energy. The life cycle greenhouse gas emissions — including during the fracking process, transmission and burning — would be higher than from any fuel the gas would replace. Liberty's new infrastructure would need to operate for 50 years for the investment to be recovered from rate payers. The consensus of the international scientific community is that we don't have nearly that much time to reduce our greenhouse gas emissions to almost zero. By any measure, allowing Liberty Utilities to expand its gas franchise to the Upper Valley is not in the best interest of the public.

Sincerely,

Liz Lambregtse