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Mr. James R. Beyer
Maine Department of Environmental Protection
Bureau of Land Resources - Eastern Maine Regional Office
106 Hogan Road, Suite 6
Bangor, ME 04401

Re: *Central Maine Power Company New England Clean Energy Connect: Application for Natural Resources Protection Act Permit and Site Location of Development Act Permits*

Dear Mr. Beyer:

Conservation Law Foundation (CLF) has reviewed the pre-filed direct testimony filed today by The Nature Conservancy (the Conservancy) in the above-captioned matter pursuant to the Department of Environmental Protection's (the Department) Third Procedural Order dated February 5, 2019. Specifically, CLF has reviewed the testimony filed today by Malcolm L. Hunter Jr., PhD., serving as an expert witness for The Nature Conservancy in Maine, and by Rob Wood, Andy Cutko and Bryan Emerson for The Nature Conservancy in Maine. As an intervenor consolidated with the Conservancy in the Department's consolidated intervenor Group 6, CLF supports the testimony filed today by the Conservancy.

Sincerely,

Phelps Turner

cc: DEP Service List
Sean Mahoney, Director, CLF Maine