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This is a petition for leave to intervene. is in reference to the new AVANGRID (CMP) transmission line corridor that is planned to be built over The Kennebec River Gorge and across the DOC and Trout Unlimited Cold Stream water shed.

As a Registered Master Maine Guide, and Co-Owner or Kennebec River angler, the only outfitter offering guided Fishing trips on the section of the Kennebec where the proposed power line will cross, I am concerned this development may adversely affect our business and other businesses in the area. I also believe it may have a detrimental impact on the Kennebec River fishery and the tributaries in the region.

From the information I have, it seems that CMP has had secret negotiations with the self- serving group, Western Mountains and Rivers Corp.

This group claims to represent many of the outfitters and businesses that may be affected by this development, but actually has placed their own interests at the forefront of discussions and negotiations. Private sales of CMP lands to individual members of this corporation, for example.

I believe other members and businesses in out should be consulted and have input regarding the environmental and commercial impact of the proposed powerline.

Mike Pilsbury 7/19/18