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I give Sandra Howard permission to submit this letter.  
  
Letting Hydro Quebec use our beautiful state as a corridor to get power to Massachusetts would FOREVER destroy the beauty that is Maine. Avangrid the multi-billion dollar corporation who’s multinational parent company being Iberdrola want to increase their earnings. They are trying to influence small towns in Somerset and Franklin counties with the promise of big $$. To allow them to do this to our state will be unforgivable. If they are allowed to go ahead with this, there is no turning back! It will change the face of our state forever. Our state will never, never be the same again. Maine survives on year round tourism with hunting, camping, snowmobiling, skiing, hiking, leaf peepers, etc. Think about how an out of staters coming here without any knowledge of this, and how they will react when they see the destruction that has come to Maine. I think that they may be planning their next getaway somewhere else. It isn't worth it!  
  
The chemicals that will be used to destroy the foliage in this corridor will threaten our pristine lakes, ponds, streams, wetlands, marshlands, and Maine's wild life. Just the thought of the noise of chain saws dropping trees, disturbing the wild life that inhabits this corridor,  raping the land with massive equipment moving in inch by inch across our state for Massachusetts power is abhorrent and yes, evil. This was rejected in New Hampshire and Vermont so now they want to zig zag it across our beautiful mountain ranges. So now it is up to you. Will the Maine Public Utilities Commission going to allow them to do it? I certainly hope and pray that you will seriously, seriously consider what this will do to our state. We don’t want the pennies promised by Avangrid who are experts in twisting the truth!  
  
Sincerely,   
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