

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am writing to support Central Maine Power Company's New England Clean Energy Connect Project. As a CMP employee I have learned a great deal about the benefits of the project to Maine, and I am grateful for the time, care and attention CMP has dedicated to our State's natural and cultural resources in planning the NECEC project.

As a Maine resident, I understand people's concern about the local impacts the NECEC may have on some areas of Western Maine, yet we cannot pass up this opportunity to greatly reduce the amount of carbon in our air – affecting all of us in New England - and future generations. There are no easy or no-impact solutions to climate change, and I think that the time, care and resources that CMP have dedicated to planning the NECEC has avoided and lessened as many local environmental impacts as possible, which is very important. The company has avoided some of the most sensitive and beautiful natural and recreational areas in Maine such as Moosehead Lake, Bigelow Preserve, Kennebeco, the Rangeley Lake region, and others.

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As someone who works every day in the energy industry, I believe we need big solutions to our urgent climate change crisis, and I know that these solutions do not come without some trade-offs. As a Maine resident, I understand the importance of careful project development that respects our natural environment and outdoor recreation areas, and as an employee with first-hand knowledge of the ethics and environmental mission of our company, I know CMP is the company who will be vigilant in developing it. I urge you to approve the NECEC project.

Sincerely,



Address:

Linda Ball
82 Cross Hill Rd.
Augusta ME

I work everyday with professionals dedicated to combatting climate change and providing safe and reliable energy. Please support CMP's efforts to expand green energy for the benefit of future generations!

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Sincerely,

Carol Bradet

Address:

82 Cross Hill Rd

Augusta ME

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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a CMP employee and a supporter of the New England Clean Energy Connect. The project helps construction workers develop new skills which can be used on other projects to come to Maine in the future. CMP's last major project, the Maine Power Reliability Project created a well-trained work force. We need projects like these to make sure we have jobs available for people in Maine and attract other workers from outside of Maine. I ask for your support of the NECEC.

Regards,



G CHOATE LN #213

HALLOWELL, ME 04347

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Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

The NECEC project is good for Maine. It will bring thousands of jobs and significantly reduce our carbon footprint. CMP has been very sensitive to the environmental impacts of the project. The company did the right thing when it decided to go under the Kennebec Gorge. Burying the transmission line will preserve what makes this stretch of river such a treasure. The long-term benefits are far too great to our state to reject the NECEC. I urge you to support the project.

Regards,



MARTA ROZEW
30 WOODLANDS DR.
FALMOUTH, ME 04105 ME

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Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am in favor of the New England Clean Energy Connect project. A recent climate change report indicates we may have only 12 years before we start seeing the effects of climate change in New England. NECEC is the only plan I've seen that significantly reduce carbon emissions in Maine and New England. It's extremely important to me that my children and grandchildren have healthy air to breath. Please approve the NECEC.

Sincerely,

Ken Farber
70 Cheney St.
Portland

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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am supporting the New England Clean Energy Connect project. I understand that in order to create the corridor CMP would have to clear about 1,000 acres of trees. But in return CMP is preserving more than 4,000 acres along various points of the route. That is an important part of the NECEC that is getting almost no attention. Isn't this exchange of land worth the clean hydropower that the project will bring to Maine? I urge you to support the NECEC.

Sincerely,



GERRY J. MIRABILE

3 PINE WOOD LANE
ROCKPORT, ME 04856

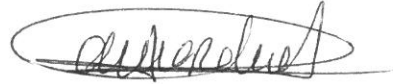
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I support the New England Clean Energy Connect Project. NECEC moves us in the right direction of using more renewable energy and less fossil fuel. Those opposed to the project aren't thinking about the future. The environmental impact NECEC is minimal, especially when you compare it to the damage climate change promises to bring. I urge you to support this project.

Regards,



GORKA CAMARDIEL FERNANDEZ
183 Brackett Street (suite 303)
Portland (04102), Maine

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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am in favor of the New England Clean Energy Connect. NECEC opponents continually bring up the fact that if this project happens, the power lines would destroy their scenic views. I respectfully disagree.

The poles that are being built are in some cases shorter than the trees surrounding them. Those poles would blend into the view. Also, the poles that are being used are not giant, elaborate columns. They are very simple t-shaped poles with no frills. I think these two facts alone should ease concerns about any views that may be affected. I hope you will support NECEC. It's an important step in addressing climate change in Maine.

Best,

Pamela Kelly
31 READFIELD RD. #11
MANCHESTER, ME
04351

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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I support the New England Clean Energy Connect. This project does a great job using existing working forests to build the final 53 miles of the corridor. These forests have been harvested by loggers for many years and are certainly not pristine.

CMP also correctly chose to go under the Kennebec Gorge, further minimizing the project's impact. As a matter of fact, NECEC will preserve nearly 4,000 acres of land in the course of the corridor's construction while only affecting roughly 1,000 acres. That's a small price to pay for renewable hydropower which decarbonizes Maine's air. I urge you to support this project.

Best,

Kenneth Luce
33 Ledgewere
Winthrop, Me 04361

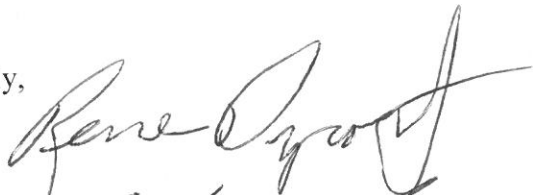
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am in favor of the New England Clean Energy Project. It will create more than a thousand megawatts of clean, reliable hydropower. Hydropower is not susceptible to seasonal spikes. That is incredibly important for a state that has an increasingly older population who don't have unlimited funds in their bank accounts. I urge you to support the project.

Sincerely,


170 Youngs Corners Rd
Auburn ME 04210

April 12, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I support of the New England Clean Energy Connect. The project offers a rare chance to bring clean, renewable hydropower to New England. How can we reject a project we don't have to pay for? NECEC also creates jobs which will stimulate our economy and hopefully help keep Maine workers in Maine. I strongly urge you to support this project.

Best,



JUSTIN TRIBBET
111 LINCOLN ST.
RICHMOND, ME 04357

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17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I love snowmobiling. It's a great way to pass the cold winter months here in Maine. It's also a key reason why I'm supporting the New England Clean Energy Connect.

Other corridors have been built in Maine. Out of those corridors come easily accessible snowmobile trails. Remember, a number of these trails are on private land already owned by Central Maine Power. That would be the case in the NECEC project too. It will create more than 50 new miles of trail. Does it bother me that power lines would run over some of these trails? Not at all. It happens all the time. I honestly don't understand what all the fuss is about.

I am fully supportive of the NECEC. I hope you will be as well.

Kindly,

José Lugo

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2 Fuller Drive

Winslow, ME 04901

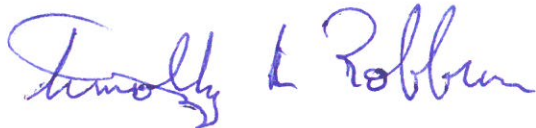
April 11, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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17 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am writing in support of Central Maine Power's New England Energy Connect Project. I've done my research and have seen that the benefits far outweigh the negatives about this project. As a resident of Maine, and someone who cares about Maine's future, I'm asking you to please support this project!

Best,

Handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Timothy L. Robb".

60 North clay road
Jefferson, ME 04348

April 12, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am writing in support of the New England Clean Energy Connect project. The issue of climate change is absolutely critical and one of the biggest dangers facing society. This project takes major steps in reducing the carbon in the air, both in Maine and the rest of New England. Pollution knows no borders. I ask you to support NECEC. Maine's future may very well hinge on it.

Sincerely,

Gail M. Reardon
12 Newport Court
Yarmouth, Me 04096

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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a CMP employee who supports the New England Clean Energy Connect. I think it's important to remember CMP owns all the land needed to build the corridor. Even so, we are willing to share this private land with Mainers and tourists who want to go four-wheeling or hiking. We've also done the same with other corridors. Our company cares about our environment and the outdoors. I ask you to support this project.

Best,



Ericka Connor
53 Pine Drive
Windham, Me 04092

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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a big fan of the New England Clean Energy Connect project. NECEC will pour a billion dollars in economic benefits into Maine over the next decade and thousands of jobs over the next several years.

I keep hearing that Mainers won't be getting any benefits. That's incorrect. Aside from all the property taxes NECEC will help raise, it's going to provide Maine and New England with sustainable renewable energy for decades to come. Please support the NECEC.

Regards,



Jenni Monneau

308 Atkins Rd

Jefferson, ME 04348

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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17 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

As a Mainer, I know that our forests are a point of pride. My family and I have lived in Maine for many years and have seen the state grow dramatically in the last few decades. I know that we need to focus on renewable energy and more sustainable sources of power. I also know that the New England Clean Energy Connect is the best way to get Maine the power it needs while maintaining our forests as best as they can be. I support the New England Clean Energy Connect Project, and I am asking you to do the same. Thank you.

Best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pamela". The signature is stylized with a large initial "P" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

130 Sprey lane
Seasideport me
04874


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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a CMP employee and very much in favor of the New England Clean Energy Connect. CMP has gone out of its way to make sure the environmental impacts of NECEC are minimal. It has avoided sensitive parts of Maine like the Bigelow Preserve and the Rangeley Lake region. The siting is well thought out and CMP should be commended for their hard work. I ask that you support this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jose Manuel Diaz", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

JOSE MANUEL DIAZ
95 SEA SPRAY BEACH
YARMOUTH, ME
04096

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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

When I heard about CMP's New England Clean Energy Connect and the amount of hydropower it will be delivering to Maine and New England, my reaction was obvious. Bring it on!

NECEC will create more than a thousand megawatts of clean, reliable hydropower from Quebec to Lewiston. When NECEC is completed, carbon emissions will be dramatically reduced. Less carbon means a cleaner environment which is good for our health and economy.

But it also slashes our dependence on fossil fuels and that's good for our wallets! We all know what happens when the weather gets cold and nasty... oil prices go through the roof. But having a stable energy supply like hydropower will protect Mainers from seasonal price spikes.

I'm throwing my full support behind the NECEC project. I hope you will too.

Regards,

David G. Smith
381 Narrows Pond Rd
Winthrop, ME
04364

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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am writing to express my support for the New England Clean Energy Connect. The project has so environmental positives attached to it that I think we cannot afford to say no to it.

But I'm also particularly encourages about the broadband opportunities that are included as part of the infrastructure. NECEC would create the opportunity to significantly upgrade broadband access in a part of our state where its existence is sketchy at best. Cleaner air and better broadband is a recipe for success to Maine's future. I strongly encourage you to support NECEC.

Best,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Rene Raymond". The signature is fluid and somewhat stylized, with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

170 Youngs CORNER
Auburn ME 04210