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Written Testimony
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Nov. 22, 2021

To Maine Department of Environmental Protection; Commissioner Melanie Loyzim:

The need for the Maine DEP to suspend the NECEC permit is apparent now more so than ever. In light of the recent passing of the Maine Referendum banning high impact electric transmission lines as well as the uncertain validity of the NECEC lease of Maine's Public Lands, the NECEC, its implementation, and its overall validity at this point need to be reassessed. It is imperative that the DEP suspend the NECEC permit until, at the very least, the legality of the project has been ascertained.

With utmost concern and sincerity,
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