

PUBLIC HEARING TESTIMONY
Maine Department of Environmental Protection
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Date: November 22, 2021
To: Commissioner Melanie Loyzim, Maine Department of Environmental Protection
From: Mark Turek, Randolph, Maine USA
Re: Permit Suspension for the CMP/NECEC corridor project with Hydro-Quebec

Thank you for this opportunity to submit written testimony for your review since I'll be working when the hearing takes place.

FACT: On November 2, 2021, 59% of Maine voters made a very loud and clear statement through the legal referendum process that we do not support the current CMP/NECEC project.

As the current Commissioner for our Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), you are obviously in charge of this important part of Maine State Government which has the task of defending the natural resources for our wonderful state. Although we all know the legal process with this project is far from over, that does not mean your department doesn't have to do their job while the courts go through their process and issue a final ruling.

Since the foreign owners of CMP have clearly proven they don't care what the 59% of Maine voters said on November 2nd, it also appears our Maine DEP leaders need to be reminded they work For-The-People of this state... and not for the overly greedy foreign owners of CMP. Please do your job!

In addition, although it seems obvious, this new law creates a significant change in circumstances that warrants the immediate suspension of the related DEP permit(s). Do you recognize this fact?

In closing, Commissioner Loyzim, please immediately suspend the CMP/NECEC permit(s) until an alternative route is both created and fully permitted through all of the proper and legal channels.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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