



Moosehead Region Futures Committee

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Mr. James R. Beyer
Bureau of Land Resources Regulation
Maine Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME 04333-0017

Re: Central Maine Power Company **New England Clean Energy
Connect** (NECEC) Project;
Natural Resources Protection Act, Site Location of Development
Act, and Water Quality Certification Applications

REQUEST FOR A HEARING ON LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Dear Mr. Beyer:

As President of the Moosehead Region Futures Committee, a corporation incorporated under the Maine Nonprofit Corporations Act, I hereby request, in accordance with 06-096 C.M.R. c. 2, §7 A., the Department of Environmental Protection to hold a hearing, in the matter of the above-referenced license applications.

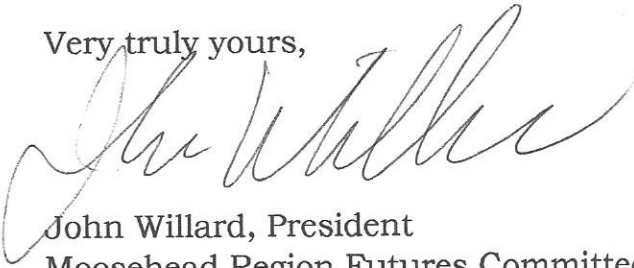
The Moosehead Region Futures Committee consists of citizens of Maine who are residents, property owners, or business owners in, or visitors to, the Moosehead Lake Region of Somerset and Piscataquis Counties. The Moosehead Region Futures Committee was incorporated in 2005, and its mission is to encourage, gather, and incorporate area residents' ideas and expertise to shape and balance the region's future development, economy, and conservation efforts. Construction of the transmission lines proposed in the NECEC project will impact seasonal and year-round residents, business owners, and visitors

within the vicinity of the Moosehead Lake Region, and will affect vistas, wildlife, and land and water conservation efforts in the Region.

A project extended over as great an area in Maine, and as highly visible, as the proposed NECEC Project requires a more formal public adjudicatory hearing, with all the accompanying procedures and safeguards, to ensure that the Department and the public will be as fully informed as possible about the details of this Project before the Department makes a determination on whether the project will comply with the applicable environmental laws.

Thank you for considering this request.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "John Willard".

John Willard, President
Moosehead Region Futures Committee