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To: Maine Land Use Planning Commission

I am asking you to deny the proposed CMP power line through the mountains of western Maine. This area is a prestigious remote section of Maine that should remain that way. The fishing, hunting and scenic values of that area will be forever changed if the proposed power line is constructed.

CMP agrees that the power line will cause a negative change and that is why they are offering mitigation to compensate for the destruction the line will cause. However, in 25 years from now, the mitigation money will be gone and the western mountains of Maine will still be negatively affected. Once the power line is constructed—the mountains, steams, ponds and views will never, ever be the same.

The main reason people go to that area will be gone. The businesses in that area need the exceptional fishing, hunting and scenic values to draw their customers to the region. Maine does not need to provide power to Massachusetts. Maine need to protect the resources we have.

Last fall, I was at out camp in the West Forks. While we were driving on Rt 201 just south of the Capital Road, we saw a couple on an ATV that was broken down at the Rt 201 trail crossing. We stopped to offer help and tried to fix their problem. We were at the intersection of the current power line and Rt 201. The humming noise that was coming from the power line was upsetting to say the least. We all felt like we were being invaded by electrical current. The noise at the power line has been that way for some time now. Last year, while having a snack while snowmobiling, the same continuous annoying noise interrupted the peacefulness of the area. I can't imagine the deer, moose, bobcat, lynx and other animals are attracted to the noise any more than we were.

It appears the only people that are in support of the power line either have no interest in the western mountains, they have not researched the facts and are just listening to CMP or they are getting a monetary benefit from it.

This project will have a massive negative effect on so many people as

well as the state of Maine. To all of those that are supporting it because of the monetary benefit—Shame on you. As far as I am concerned, supporting something that will have such a negative effect on others and the State of Maine, in exchange for money is worse than prostitution—which is illegal. Maybe mitigation money should be illegal as well.

A project like will causes so much damage to so many people that would never sell or lower their morals for money.

I hope you will consider this and deny the approval of this project.

Sincerely,

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