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To the members of the Maine State Department of Environmental Protection:

A comment following the BEP hearings in Belfast

Even if Nordic's project had some merit, still the Little River is unquestionably the wrong place for it to be. Compared with Bucksport, for example, Nordic's concrete will not be laid upon already industrialized ground; instead, at Little River it will destroy a precious, environmentally important and sensitive green space with a mature forest and wildlife habitat. Nordic's pipelines will trespass through a residential area with a covenant prohibiting commercial use and then through a registered conservation area. Furthermore, Nordic will discharge its daily waste not into a rapidly flowing river like the Penobscot, but instead into shallow 35 feet of water close to and thereby a threat to another thriving residential community. The rate of dissipation in this area of the Bay is so low that the effluent will never be fully diluted or completely gone for however long the Nordic plant exists. There will be an ever present plume of warm nitrogen rich water, a threat to other marine life and economically important aquaculture interests. Because of the site chosen alone, the DEP and BEP should not grant Nordic the permits it seeks.

Thank you for considering my opinion.

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