



Department of Energy
Washington, DC 20585

June 25, 2015

The Honorable Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Shaheen:

Thank you for your May 8th, letter reiterating your request regarding the length of the comment period for the draft *Northern Pass Transmission Line Project Environmental Impact Statement* (DOE/EIS-0463).

The Department appreciates your continued interest in this proposed project, and we agree that it is important to give the public an opportunity to comment on the draft EIS. As such, the Department will take appropriate steps to encourage meaningful public comment, including outreach to the public, publicizing the release of the draft EIS, and holding public hearings to invite comment.

Please be assured that we will consider your request as we work to finalize the draft EIS.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Ms. Jaime Shimek, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Senate Affairs, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, (202) 586-5450.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Secretary
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The Honorable Kelly A. Ayotte
United States Senate
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The Honorable Frank Guinta
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Ann McLane Kuster
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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