

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a supporter of the New England Clean Energy Connect. The project is critical to the future of Maine and New England. The carbon removed from our air by using hydropower instead of fossil fuels is the equivalent of removing more than 750,000 vehicles from New England's roads annually. Think of the impact that will have in beginning the process of reducing the effects of climate change in Maine. Whatever environmental impacts NECEC may cause pale in comparison to what could be left behind if climate change gets a firm grip on our beautiful state. We don't have time to waste. I urge you to support this project.

Sincerely,

Mania Quintal

57 Spears Corner

W. Gardiner, Me 04345

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a supporter of the NECEC project. I understand why some have concerns about how it will negatively impact their views of Maine's beauty and the animal life around it. But this plan is going to effectively reduce our carbon footprint for the foreseeable future.

I do have one question for those who are against the project. What is their solution to climate change? We have a limited time to get things done. NECEC is well-thought out and carefully planned. If there is another plan out there that compares to this, I'd love to see it. NECEC is good for our environment. I urge you to support it.

Sincerely,



Andrew Hayes
46 Red Cedar Run
West Gardiner, ME 04345

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a strong supporter of the NECEC. The project can help construction workers build a new skill set which can serve Maine on projects for years to come. Look at what happened after CMP's last major project, the Maine Power Reliability Project. We now have a well-trained work force...one our state can continue to build on by adding new jobs for a new generation. We need to make sure we continue to have jobs available for people in Maine and attract other workers from outside of Maine. I ask for your support of the NECEC.

Regards,

Wanda Sabattus

P.O. Box 856

SABATTUS, ME 04280

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a supporter of the New England Clean Energy Connect. Does this project have minimal environmental impacts where the new 53 mile stretch of the corridor would be built? I'm sure it does, but there is so much good coming from NECEC Maine simply cannot afford not to build it. Thousands of jobs will come to our state because of NECEC. Our economy will get a badly needed boost and our air will be healthier. We must deal with climate change now. This project is a first step in the right direction. I urge you to support NECEC.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Turgeon". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "C" and a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Chris Turgeon
114 Old Winthrop Rd
Augusta ME 04330

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am supporting the New England Clean Energy Connect. This project does a great job minimizing the short-term impacts of the transmission line's construction. More than 70% of NECEC goes through existing corridor. The final 53 miles will run through working forests. These forests have been harvested by loggers for many years. They are not pristine.

CMP also correctly chose to go under the Kennebec Gorge, further minimizing the project's impact. As a matter of fact, NECEC will preserve nearly 4,000 acres of land. NECEC will not destroy Maine's scenic landscape forever. Maine has 17,500,000 acres of trees according to the Maine Department of Agriculture. This project would affect less than 1,000 acres. That's .002%. That seems like a small price to pay for renewable hydropower that will improve our air quality immediately. I urge you to support this project.

Best,



71 Horace St
Stratford, CT 06617

April 5, 2019

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

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Best,



Rachel Synnott

85 Hillside Ave

West Haven, CT 06516

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron

Climate change is a really important issue that our state needs to focus on. Anything to reduce our current carbon emissions is something that I support. The New England Clean Energy Connect Project promises to reduce our current carbon emissions by 3.6 million metric tons, which is the equivalent to taking 767 thousand cars off of Maine's roads. Please help Maine fight climate change and support this project.

Best,



15 Upper Egypt Rd.
Buxton, ME 04093

April 5, 2019

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am writing to support Central Maine Power Company's New England Clean Energy Connect Project. As a CMP employee I have learned a great deal about the benefits of the project to Maine, and I am grateful for the time, care and attention CMP has dedicated to our State's natural and cultural resources in planning the NECEC project.

As a Maine resident, I understand people's concern about the local impacts the NECEC may have on some areas of Western Maine, yet we cannot pass up this opportunity to greatly reduce the amount of carbon in our air – affecting all of us in New England - and future generations. There are no easy or no-impact solutions to climate change, and I think that the time, care and resources that CMP have dedicated to planning the NECEC has avoided and lessened as many local environmental impacts as possible, which is very important. The company has avoided some of the most sensitive and beautiful natural and recreational areas in Maine such as Moosehead Lake, Bigelow Preserve, Kennebago, the Rangeley Lake region, and others.

In addition to respecting the value of scenic regions of Maine, the NECEC has also been designed to avoid, wherever possible, and to minimize, impacts to important protected and sensitive natural resources such as vernal pools, rivers, streams, wetlands, and inland waterfowl and wading bird habitat. This protects these resources for both wildlife and for humans.

As someone who works every day in the energy industry, I believe we need big solutions to our urgent climate change crisis, and I know that these solutions do not come without some trade-offs. As a Maine resident, I understand the importance of careful project development that respects our natural environment and outdoor recreation areas, and as an employee with first-hand knowledge of the ethics and environmental mission of our company, I know CMP is the company who will be vigilant in developing it. I urge you to approve the NECEC project.

Sincerely,

Amy Marston

Address:

108 Allenwood Park Rd
Augusta, ME 04330

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

The NECEC project is something Maine badly needs on two fronts. First, it will greatly improve our environment by removing carbon from our air. This carbon directly results in the negative impacts of climate change we've been seeing within our border and across New England.

But look at the financial benefits of the plan. \$140 million will be dedicated to the reduction of electric bills for CMP customers. \$15 million will expand broadband access in towns near the corridor. Another \$15 million will be used to expand the use of efficient heat pumps. Finally, \$10 million goes to the economic development and promotion of tourism in those towns.

This project is key to Maine's future. I am supporting it and I ask you to as well.

Sincerely,



JEFF STROUT
4 BRADFORD RD.
CHARLESTON, ME.
04422

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

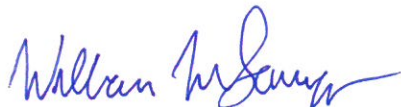
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Sincerely,



Address:

William M Sawyer
96 River Rd.
Topsham, ME 04086

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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

The New England Clean Energy is a project I'm in favor of. It will bring clean hydropower to our state and New England and it won't cost Maine taxpayers anything thanks to Massachusetts.

I also think Gov. Mills did an outstanding job in her negotiations to get more benefits for Maine. \$140 million will be set aside to help lower our electricity bills and another \$50 million will help low income customers. I'm also particularly excited about the \$15 million dollars which will provide improved broadband access to parts of our state that desperately need it. This project is good for Maine. I ask you to throw your support behind it.

Sincerely,



4 Penacook Drive
Brunswick ME 04011

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a big supporter of the NECEC project. Other than the obvious benefit of making our environment healthier and cleaner, one of its biggest benefits is the increased property tax revenues it will create. These revenues are needed along the route of the project in Somerset, Franklin, and Androscoggin counties. Towns on the corridor in these counties will potentially get an estimated \$18 million in revenue. Think of the impact that will have on mill rates. Many will see a double digit drop if the project goes forth as planned. That doesn't happen very often. I urge you to support the NECEC.

Sincerely,

Santha Fortis
30 Pleasant Dr.
Benton ME 04911

April 5, 2019

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17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a supporter of the NECEC project. Opponents of NECEC are falsely claiming the project will ruin miles of pristine Maine forest. That is ridiculous. This forest is covered with clear-cuts, dirt roads, and log yards. This land has been harvested for a century. NECEC will not adversely affect this forest. If anything, it will create even more fishing, hiking, and snowmobiling options. All that plus it takes huge amounts of carbon out of our air. This project is key to Maine's future. I urge you to support it.

Regards,

Michael Parker
389 Route 41
Winthrop, ME
04364

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Sincerely,



Address:

ALAN D Richards
21 talltimbers
Wayne me 04284

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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a CMP employee and a strong supporter of the New England Clean Energy Connect. Working for CMP, I know the company has done an enormous amount of work making sure the environmental impacts of NECEC are as minimal as possible. It has avoided extremely sensitive and gorgeous parts of Maine like Moosehead Lake and Kennebago. The siting has been well thought out and its benefits in the fight against climate change are significant. I ask that you support this project.

Sincerely,

Tony Bernard
22 FRANKWOOD DR
WINSLOW, ME 04901

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Sincerely,



Address:

16 Fairway Lane
Berwick Me
03901

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Sincerely,



Address:

3 Horseshoe Rd.
Winthrop, ME 04364


April 5, 2019

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17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a strong supporter of the New England Clean Energy Connect. It has been designed to avoid our state's sensitive natural resources such as vernal pools, wetlands, and bird habitats. In the short term, I feel like the environmental impact is small. In the long term, the effects of NECEC are huge. The project will reduce our carbon emissions by millions of metric tons annually. I want to make sure my family has clean and healthy air to breath. This project gets us moving in the right direction. I ask you to support NECEC.

Regards,



Melody Muenpud
71 Point Rd
Belgrade, ME 04917

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am supporting the New England Clean Energy Connect project. NECEC will pour a **billion** dollars of economic benefits into Maine over the next decade! The project will create thousands of good-paying jobs over the length of the construction. The people working those jobs will in turn spend money at our local businesses. It's a win-win for all everybody involved.

As if that wasn't enough, this project isn't going to cost Mainers one red cent. I keep hearing that Mainers won't be getting any benefits? That's just false. Aside from all the property taxes NECEC will help raise, it's going to provide Maine and New England with sustainable clean energy for decades to come. Please throw your support behind the NECEC.

Regards,



MICHAEL RESIGNOL
9 FRANKWOOD DR.
WINSLOW, ME 04901


April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron

Please support the New England Clean Energy Connect Project. Maine needs the many benefits this project will bring to the state. Some of these benefits are thousands of jobs lasting more than 3 years! This reason alone is enough to support the project, but also the fact that the NECEC will reduce our carbon emissions by 3.6 million metric tons. This is all done while bringing clean renewable power to our state. I support this project whole heartedly and ask for you to do the same.

Best,


1105 S MAIN ST.
WOODSTOCK, ME 04219

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron

Please support the New England Clean Energy Connect Project! As an electric worker with friends and family in construction, I know we need the 3,500 jobs this project could provide the state. Additionally, these jobs would be for roughly four years. In the construction/project world, that is a lot of jobs for a long time. Maine needs this project.

Best,

Lauren Rodriguez
1186 Bean Road
Mount Vernon ME 04352

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am writing in support of the New England Clean Energy Connect project. The issue of climate change is very real and must be dealt with immediately. This project goes a long way in reducing the amounts of carbon in the air, both in Maine and our neighboring states. Pollution knows no borders. I ask you to support NECEC. It's critical to the future of our state

Sincerely,



12 Lincoln Woods Ln
Waterville, ME 04901

Kevin Byrne

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am an enthusiastic supporter of the New England Clean Energy Connect Project. From what I can tell, most of the people against the project aren't looking past their back yards and ignoring the overall positive impact NECEC will have on Maine. It will bring cleaner energy, thousands of jobs, and lower our electricity bills. How can we turn down a project like this, especially when Massachusetts is paying the entire bill?!? I strongly urge you to support NECEC!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Angelou Chase".

Angelou Chase
37 Gage St Apt 1
Augusta ME 04330

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron

I am writing in support of Central Maine Power's New England Energy Connect Project. I've done my research and have seen that the benefits far outweigh the negatives about this project. As a resident of Maine, an avid outdoorsman, and someone who cares about Maine's future, I'm asking you to please support this project!

Best,

Scott Liscomb
42 Water St
Randolph ME
04346


April 5, 2019

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am in support of the New England Clean Energy Connect. The project offers a real opportunity to bring clean, renewable power to Maine and New England. How can we say no to a project we don't have to pay a nickel for? We get the clean energy benefits of this project and somebody else foots the bill! NECEC also creates jobs which will stimulate our economy and hopefully help keep Maine workers in Maine. The only legitimate opposition I see is from people who don't want it in their back yards. In my opinion, reversing the effects of climate change in Maine is of much great importance. I strongly urge you to support this project.

Best,


89 Park Street
Farmington, Me 04844

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I support the New England Clean Energy Connect Project. This project is a major step in our fight to reduce our fossil fuel use. Hydropower has fifty times less carbon in it than oil and gas most Mainers use now. Those opposed to the project aren't thinking big picture. The environmental impact NECEC will have is nothing compared to what might be left behind if the climate change issue we face isn't addressed now. I urge you to support this project.

Regards,



30 ANTHONY AVE
TOPSHAM ME 04086

April 5, 2019

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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

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Regards,

Anthony D. Gause
4 Acton Rd. Apt #102

Augusta, Maine 04330

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron

As a power worker, I see how important it is for Maine to look toward the future with how we provide energy to our great state. Clean, renewable energy is the key to ensuring Maine has the power it needs while having a low impact on the states climate. With this in mind, I think it's so important to support the New England Clean Energy.

Best,

David Weiss

70 Winthrop St
Hallowell, Me
04347

April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I'm a CMP employee and very much in favor of the New England Clean Energy Connect. I have heard criticism of our company as to whether we can safely build this transmission line from Quebec to Lewiston. I can assure you we can build this transmission line. It's going to be worked on by thousands of hard-working Mainers who have our state's best interests at heart.

NECEC has been carefully sited. This project will be a major step in reversing the effects of climate change in New England. Our last major project, the Maine Power Reliability Program came in on time and under budget. I have no doubts NECEC will do the same. I urge you to support the project.

Regards,



RAUL RODRIGUEZ DIAZ

raulmoeche@outlook.com

5 Lerner Wood rd, Apt 81

Scarborough, ME, 04074


April 5, 2019

Mark Bergeron, Director, Bureau of Land Resources
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

The NECEC project is good for Maine. It will bring thousands of jobs and significantly reduce our carbon footprint. CMP has been very sensitive to the environmental impacts of the project. The company did the right thing when it decided to go under the Kennebec Gorge. Burying the transmission line will preserve what makes this stretch of river such a treasure. The long-term benefits are far too great to our state to reject the NECEC. I urge you to support the project.

Regards,


306, Middle Rd. - Estomouth
htenenghaus@gmail.com

April 5, 2019

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am in favor of the New England Clean Energy Connect. This project will go a long way to preserving Maine's environment for decades to come. The use of hydropower instead of dirty fossil fuels will remove millions of metric tons of carbon from our air on a yearly basis.

I know there are concerns about the visual impacts of the transmission lines. I think it's important to note the poles that would be use are very simple. They are not these massive columns as claimed by opponents of the plan. Mainers expect to see transmission lines and are not bothered by poles that are designed and sited correctly. There are far more positives to NECEC than negatives. I ask you to throw your support behind the project.

Regards,

Rhonda Yorks
568 Coopers Mills Rd
Windsor Me 04363

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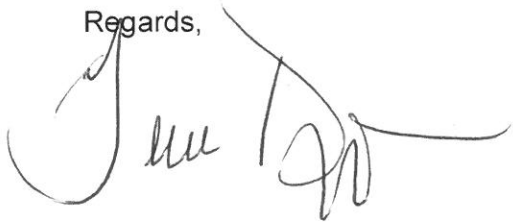
Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am a supporter of the NECEC project. I think the benefits the project will bring will outweigh any negative impact the transmission line would have on our environment in western Maine.

NECEC will pump \$1 billion into Maine's economy in just the first ten years of its existence. It will create 3,500 jobs at peak construction. These are jobs that pay well and keep our workers in Maine. Opponents say the jobs are temporary. All construction jobs are temporary. For a construction worker to know they will have a steady source of employment for several years is important.

The project will also provide \$18 million dollars in potential tax benefits to host communities. NECEC has so much to offer, not the least of which is improving the quality of our air for years. I ask you to support the NECEC.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Teresa Despres". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Teresa Despres
18 Pleasant Ridge Dr.
Farmingdale, Maine

04344

April 7, 2019

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
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Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am in favor of the New England Clean Energy Connect. It's a project that is going to bring more than 1,000 megawatts of clean hydropower to New England and make our air healthier. The project was carefully designed to go through existing corridor and working forests. This notion that these forests are pristine is ridiculous. They have been harvested for decades. I urge you to support this project. It's a huge step in the right direction of reducing our dependence on fossil fuels.

Sincerely,

Deema Sargent
244 Grove St
Lewiston ME 04240

April 6, 2019

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Department of Environmental Protection
17 State House Station
Augusta, ME, 04333-0017

Dear Mr. Bergeron,

I am an outdoorsman, a Mainer, and I am supporting the New England Clean Energy Connect. Opponents say it will harm the outdoor experience and for people who love to hunt and fish in this beautiful part of our state. I say just the opposite.

Other corridors provide a wonderful spot to hunt for moose or deer depending on the season. That's why so many hunters set up in these spots near the corridor. The habitat and animal life around other corridors is vibrant and healthy. I have no doubt the NECEC will offer a similar experience for those who are out enjoying the beauty western Maine has to offer. I ask you to support this project.

Sincerely,

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