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Dear Maine DEP,

I beseech you to deny the application for the CMP/Hydro-Quebec transmission line! Once lost, these beautiful lands will never be recovered.

The tons of herbicide that will be used to maintain this corridor will have a manifold adverse impact on the pristine areas of Maine polluting the land, wildlife and humans who live and venture there. The anticipated herbicide of choice, glyphosate, that will constantly be needed to "maintain" the corridor, has been banned in Europe. It has proven to be a carcinogen which is implicated in Parkinson's disease! Why are the mega-tons of herbicides that will be used repeatedly year after year on into the future (with no end) not of paramount consideration in the analysis?

In addition to these human and wildlife harms, the ravaging of the land that will take place to build access roads and the corridor itself is unconscionable. Years from now, if these pristine woods still exist untouched, their benefit to the planet will be a salve and, without a doubt, will ultimately help the planet, not only, with carbon sequestration, but also bio-diversity. It is quite despairing that we humans have such power of destruction. Yet, you CMP, have the ability to look at the overall human, wildlife and planetary impact here and decide that, for once, financial gain (as paltry as it actually is) will not win out.

Sincerely yours,

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