Please deny Liberty Utilities the precedent agreement with Kinder Morgan Northeast Energy Direct pipeline (DG 14-380 Liberty Precedent Agreement).

Proponents of this agreement base the need on winter months when natural gas demands for heating buildings peak. However, building new pipeline infrastructure is not correct for the public.

Instead of investing in new fossil fuel infrastructure, New Hampshire should proactively support renewable energy, conservation, weatherization, and energy efficiency measures to reduce the demand for energy in winter months. Buildings in New Hampshire and the Northeast would benefit from innovative and newer energy saving technologies that are low-to-zero emitting, renewable, and sustainable. These actions would permanently reduce the demand especially in the dark winter months.

With PUC assistance, New Hampshire has supported clean energy through the Renewable Energy Fund and the Renewable Energy Rebates. The NED Pipeline would mean a giant step backwards, supporting burning more unnecessary fossil fuels and generating more damaging greenhouse gases. New Hampshire should expand incentives, allowing local control of energy projects and promote safer energy-saving technologies to help lower consumers' bills. Local, clean energy projects build stronger, healthier communities. Adding more destructive, dirty infrastructure does not help consumers.

Please support projects that advance truly clean energy such as wind, solar, and energy-efficiency. Please prevent New Hampshire from making a big energy mistake, a step backwards into being dependent on more, dirty fossil fuel. Please help stop Northeast Energy Direct pipeline in New Hampshire. Deny DG 14-380 Liberty Precedent Agreement.

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