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To:	DEP, NECEC; Heidi Vierthaler
Subject:	4 MaineDEP: HeidiJVierthaler:Testimony2DenyNECEC:Permit
Date:	Monday, April 13, 2020 4:49:34 PM
Attachments:	1992-04-15 Statement for Boston Meeting - Grand Chief Matthew Coon Come.pdf 1992-03-xx Submission to the Government of Canada Respecting the Pre-Scoping Hearings on the Eastmain 1 Project - Cree School Board.pdf 1992-07-xx Submission for the Environmental Impact Study of the Great Whale Hydroelectric Proposal - GCCQ and CRA.pdf

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Sent: Monday, January 6, 2020 11:56:53 PM
To: jay.l.clement@usace.army.mil <jay.l.clement@usace.army.mil>; Heidi Vierthaler <heidijv@hotmail.com>
Subject: 4JayCRe:NAE-2017-01342:HeidiJVierthaler:Testimony2DenyNECEC:Permit

Re: NAE-2017-01342

To The Army Corps of Engineers, Jay L. Clement

Part 9 of ?

Attachments, described in more detail in the testimony,:

- Testimony Correspondence

- Copies of documents that my Cree Spokesperson Will Nicholls, Editor in Chief: of the Cree:

Nation Magazine, sent to me in a Dropbox Folder.

Thank you,

Heidi J Vierthaler

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From:	Heidi Vierthaler
To:	DEP, NECEC; Heidi Vierthaler
Subject:	4 MaineDEP: Stop the NECEC Transmission Line Corridor!
Date:	Monday, April 13, 2020 4:39:00 PM
Attachments:	A-C-C-MDEP-4-10-2020.docx A-StopNECEC-FactSheet-PNC-10-9-2019.docx A-C-Testim-ACOE-12-5-2019.docx A-C-C-2ACE-JC-1-6-2020.docx A-C-R-ACE-NoNECEC4CreeME-1991-11-24-2019.docx

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To Jay Beyer, and our Maine Department of Environmental Protection Team:

Please find my Correspondence: in the attachment “A-C-C-MDEP-4-10-2020”, which re/introduces you to the attachments regarding the Human Rights and Climate Health issues regarding the Hydro-Quebec and Central Maine Power CMP New England Clean Energy Connect NECEC Transmission Line Corridor, which will devastate our pristine Maine Wilderness and further the Genocide and Ecological Ethnic Cleansing of our Cree and Inuit Neighbors to our North in the James Bay ecosystem South of Hudson Bay.

I will also forward some email with the attachments to some Cree documents that were sent for consideration for the Army Corps of Engineers, that could help in your decision making process.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Heidi J Vierthaler

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From:	Heidi Vierthaler
To:	DEP, NECEC
Cc:	Heidi Vierthaler
Subject:	4MrBeyer&DEP:SayNoToNECEC4TheCree&ME!
Date:	Monday, May 20, 2019 1:17:02 PM
Attachments:	A-C-C-DEP-1-4-29-2019.docx A-C-JB-OR-F-1991-3-17-2019.docx

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Dear Mr Beyer,

(Please see the attachment for an easier to read format)

My name is Heidi J Vierthaler, I am a Social and Environmental Advocate, with a BA in Geography and Anthropology from the Class of 1994 at the University of Southern Maine.

I am writing to you today to urge you to stop the Central Maine Power CMP Hydro-Quebec New England Clean Energy Connect NECEC Transmission Line Corridor.

I am grateful for the opportunity to communicate with you today regarding this issue, and while I understand that the parameters within which you are working might be limited to what is happening here in Maine, I do hope that you will take a good look at the situation with the way that Hydro-Quebec has reneged on their promises to the Cree and Inuit, and their Ecosystem and try to take as much of their situation into consideration, when you and/or the Department of Environmental Protection makes in your decisions, especially regarding our ability to trust ANY aggeement with Hydro-Quebec.

The following are some Talking Points from our Say No To NECEC Group in regards to the Testimony for the Army Corps of Engineers, and I want to reiterate them to you here that I fully support any of these ideas that might be relevant to the Department of Environmental Protection.

I request a public hearing, and you will see in my attachment that I express your concerns for NECEC's negative impacts on Maine's wetlands and waterways.

PLEASE INCLUDE THESE TALKING POINTS IN YOUR COMMENTS:
a. Public requests a public hearing focused to waterways and wetland impacts. DEP and LUPC did not focus on this for hearing topics.
b. ACOE wants to do an Environmental Analysis with NO hearings and only 30 days to respond when the DOE did an EIS and had hearings for the same project (Northern Pass) when it was proposed in NH! Request/Require the USACOE to release the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and have the PUBLIC BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO OFFER COMMENTS. If the ACOE finalizes the EA with a FONSI "finding of no significant impact" one has to take the ACOE to court to force them to conduct the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). THAT's A VERY IMPORTANT PUBLIC COMMENT.
c. Approval agencies, like ACOE, cannot avoid looking at the environmental impacts and alternatives early on, because the project is already moving down the track or because of the expense to the applicant to have delay.
d. Alternatives that have not been evaluated sufficiently (i.e. buried line in new 53.5 mile segment; using rt. 201 as existing corridor; using Portland Pipeline, etc.)
e. Other substantive Environmental Quality issues that need to be considered:
- Fire hazard of high voltage lines generally and
specifically the VSC-HVDC lines on overhead
monopoles
- Fragmentation of the forest by this corridor
- Wetland and watercrossing impacts that are
avoidable by alternate route
- Climate impact due to greenhouse gases – See Energyzt NRCM/SierraClub/Maine Renewable Energy Association Report:
https://www.nrcm.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/ENERGYZTreportNECECImpacts.pdf
f. ACOE must adhere to the standards set forth by the National Environmental Policy Act!
g. Send any testimonies/information submitted at PUC that are relevant. He has DEP and LUPC files. If there is documentation to be submitted – it can be attached to a comment and then will be in the "record". The ACOE does not have any web-based system to see what has been submitted.
h. Public comment will be taken until the final decision is made, but from a process (and likely legal point of view) submitting comments right now through April 25th is IMPORTANT! https://www.facebook.com/events/1873471096091789/

The following paragraphs are what I have been sending recently to garner support to stop the NECEC and while I reiterate that I am well aware that this might be beyond the realm of your consideration of the scope of your inquiry and investigation in this examination; I beseech you to take these issues to heart in as much as you possibly can in your deliberation on this issue.

I'm reaching out to you today because Hydro-Quebec's current proposal here in Maine will impact the indigenous Cree people of James Bay …we will all be impacted by this devastating Hydro-Quebec deal with Massachusetts that wants to run a massive powerline corridor right through the pristine forests of our sacred lands here in Maine.

The point of prevention where we can stop this is here in Maine: We need to stop the New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC) Transmission Line Corridor. The NECEC is the deceptive name given to the egregious deal between Central Maine Power (CMP) and Hydro-Quebec. It would deliver Hydro-Quebec's electricity to Massachusetts by carving a massive Transmission Line Corridor thru our precious Maine woods. (Imagine the NJ Turnpike with a center line of massive, high-voltage transformers going down the middle of your favorite get-away spot. Add a little Round-up to the under-growth, and it's not a pretty picture. The Cree can tell you all about the devastating results. Life will get worse for them, too, if Hydro-Quebec has this excuse to build more dams.).

Massachusetts has already signed a contract with Hydro-Quebec. In Maine, the relevant agencies are currently reviewing and assessing the

project.

We sincerely hope that you'll join us in this grassroots movement to stop this NECEC monstrosity.

To introduce you to what we in Maine are being asked to relinquish in terms of our pristine Maine wilderness, please see this short (8:16 min) video What is The CMP Corridor Project? as part of the From Away series from Barrel Up Productions.
https://youtu.be/ql0cSpGGUws
If you have another 5:29 minutes, this video tells just how special our pristine Maine Woods is:
https://vimeo.com/253324517

On the other hand, the Cree and Inuit have been suffering from Cultural Genocide and Ecological Ethnic Cleansing since the mid 1970's because Hydro-Quebec's Mega Dams have flooded their sacred lands, causing mercury poisoning in their fish and up through their entire food chain. This has obliterated their sustinance existence and their spiritually oriented, indigenous way of life, forcing them to become dependent upon an incompatible Western Consumer-Oriented Economy. Furthermore we need to urgently learn from the Cree that Hydro-Quebec can not be trusted.

To see what we are up against here in Maine:
• Maine Governor Janet Mills has already agreed to sign on to the NECEC Power Corridor, even though the investigation and assessments are not complete.
• Peter Mills, brother of Maine Governor Janet Mills, is one of the Founding Directors of the Western Mountains and Rivers Corporation (WM&RC), which was founded in August 2017, as a bogus non-profit front group to support Central Maine Power and the NECEC. If you look at their Memorandum of Understanding…
The entire Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in pdf form…
http://mediad.publicbroadcasting.net/p/mpbn/files/201806/memorandum_of_understanding__may_30_2c_2018_final___p1522306x9f873_.pdf
you'll see the entire deal that CMP has with them.
• The major New England newspapers, The Portland Press Herald, Ellsworth American, the Bangor Daily News, and the Boston Globe, have all proudly endorsed the NECEC. You can see on the second of the NECEC websites below:
- https://www.goodformaine.org/
- https://www.necleanenergyconnect.org/
Please be sure to watch the videos on each of these sites (the one on the first website can be seen if you click on the white arrow in the blue circle in the bottom right corner of the page).
Their endorsement calls into question their ability to deliver unbiased news coverage … not only on this subject.
• The slick Pro-NECEC TV ad campaign is extremely sophisticated and deceitful - much like the tobacco industry tactics. Here's their twisted, sinister TV ad, accusing our anti-NECEC grassroots organization of being funded by Dark Money from the Fossil Fuel Industries:
https://youtu.be/poO8yWPMU7E

This is from a post just days ago on our Say No To NECEC Facebook Group*: "ALERT! CMP just bought $500,000 worth of television advertising to push their corridor project on Mainers who don't want it. But we are fighting back and we need your help. Visit https://PayPal.me/SayNOtoNECEC and help us fight this Spanish company who is trying to buy you.

The Pro-NECEC ads say that the opposition is funded by "Dark Money" from Fossil Fuel Companies, when in truth the Say NO to NECEC is a registered non-profit organization made up of citizens; as a grassroots effort to oppose the CMP Corridor. Our group, along with many others like NRCM, has joined forces and were invited by Stop the Corridor to collaborate as part of an opposition coalition".

Please see our ads here:
https://youtu.be/aTrRHWSOhhs
https://youtu.be/3XuRSTFvWOo

To help you learn more about the situation, I am attaching:

• My White Paper Report: Say No to the NECEC for The Cree and ME: We need to Learn from the Cree's Tragic History with Hydro-Quebec, before it's too late!

• See our new website: https://www.notonecec.com/

I hope that we can count on you for your support to stop this destructive plan of the New England Clean Energy Connect NECEC Transmission Line Corridor.

If I can be of any further assistance to you, because my numbers are unlisted and confidential, I can be reached at the numbers that I will leave with the Department of Environmental Protection Clerk.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

All of my best to you and yours.

Heidi J Vierthaler
Resident in Southern Maine, close to Brunswick.

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