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The Honorable James P. McGovern
Northampton District Office
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Dear Representative McGovern:

The Board of Selectmen is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of your letter to Norman Bay, Chairman of the Federal Regulatory Commission.

The proposed pipeline cuts through approximate 8.5 miles of the town of Northfield and includes a plan to locate an 80,000 hp compressor station within the Town. The issues surrounding the placement, safety, construction, operation, environmental impacts, and eventual decommissioning of this project are of paramount concern to the Board and our citizens. This project directly impacts our community.

The Town has limited abilities both technologically and financially to properly explore or prepare for all of the issues that the construction of the pipeline introduces. As our direct representative to Federal agencies, we need you to actively represent our interests. We are also interested in any source of funds that might be available to assist us in preparing for the pipeline construction, installation, and operation creates.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns. We believe it is an important issue, and are pleased to know that our representative is effectively communicating, representing, and advocating in our best interests.

Sincerely,

Brian S. Noble
Town Administrator

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Tracy Rogers, Clerk
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