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May 27, 2021

Mr. Ken Lust, Vice Chair
Town of Starks Planning Board
57 Anson Road
Starks, ME 04911

**RE: New England Clean Energy Connect (NECEC)
Withdrawal of Extension Request for Shoreland Zoning Permit Approved June 3,
2020, Revised April 7, 2021**

Dear Mr. Lust:

NECEC Transmission, LLC (NECEC LLC) hereby withdraws its request for a six-month extension of the June 3, 2020 Shoreland Zoning permit approval. Since submitting that request on May 24, 2021 we have gone back and reviewed the expenditures to date for the portions of the Project in the Town of Starks shoreland zone and have determined that we now have expended 31% of the estimated total cost of the Project in the shoreland zone in Starks. Thus, we have made a “substantial start” in construction or in the use of the property within one year from the date of issuance, and we do not need an extension of the shoreland zoning permit.

We are not withdrawing our request for an extension of the Site Plan approval, which we hope the Board will approve at its June 2, 2021 meeting.

Thank you and please call or email me (207-242-1682; gerry.mirabile@cmpco.com) with any questions.

Sincerely,

Gerry J. Mirabile
NECEC – Manager Permitting & Compliance

cc: Lauren Johnston/B&McD