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**NIGHTTIME "SUPERMOVE" FROM PORTSMOUTH TO LONDONDERRY**  
**THREE NIGHT SEGMENTS TO TRANSPORT 430-TON TRANSFORMER**

The New Hampshire Department of Transportation (NHDOT) announces the planned nighttime "supermove" transport of a 430-ton electrical transformer from Portsmouth to Londonderry will take place in three segments from Sunday, March 25 through the early morning hours of Wednesday, March 28, 2007.

This move has required substantial review from the NHDOT's Bridge Design and Highway Maintenance Bureaus with State and local police and all towns along the route. It has been coordinated to reduce potential impacts to the traveling public, however full road closures will be necessary at various locations along the route. This "moving roadblock" will require traffic to be detoured or allowed to pass as frequently as possible along the designated route.

Plans call for a convoy of trailers and escort vehicles to leave the Port Authority in Portsmouth at 11:00 pm on Sunday, March 25 and arrive at the Route 101 weigh station at Exit 7 at about noon on Monday, March 26. Monday night's move will begin at 7:00 pm and end at the Chester/Derry town line at about 7:00 am on Tuesday, March 27. Tuesday night's move will begin at 7:00 pm, with the final destination (AES Granite Ridge Energy) reached by 4:00 am on Wednesday, March 28.

State maintained highways impacted by the "supermove" include: US 1, NH 101, NH 111, NH 125, NH 111A, NH 107, NH 102, and NH 28. The private company contracted for the move is Mammoet USA – NE, Corp. of Cambridge, Ontario, Canada.

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