DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-0405

March 23, 2015

Via Email

Jared L. Landaw Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel Barington Capital Group, L.P. 888 Seventh Avenue New York, New York 10019

Re: The Eastern Company
Amendment No. 1 to Preliminary Proxy Statement filed on Schedule 14A
Filed by the Barington Group
Filed on March 16, 2015
File No. 001-35383

Dear Mr. Landaw:

We have reviewed your filings and have the following comments.

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1. We partially reissue prior comment 3. Please provide quantitative and/or qualitative details to facilitate an understanding of the suggestions Barington made and the specific plans, if any, that Barington's nominees will advocate for if elected. For example, revise to provide context to suggestions that the company "build scale in its most attractive business through complimentary acquisitions..."

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We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable Exchange Act rules require. Since the participants are in possession of all facts relating to their disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

You may contact me at (202) 551-3757 if you have any questions regarding our comments.

Sincerely,

Jared Landaw, Esq. Barington Capital Group March 23, 2015 Page 2

/s/ Mellissa Campbell Duru

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