PUBLIC NOTICE

Case 19-T-0684 – Application of New York Transco LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII of the New York Public Service Law to Construct, Operate, and Maintain a New, Double-Circuit 54.5-Mile 345/115 Kilovolt Electric Transmission Line and Related Facilities Located in the Town of Schodack, Rensselaer County; the Towns of Stuyvesant, Stockport, Ghent, Claverack, Livingston, Gallatin, and Clermont in Columbia County; and the Towns of Milan, Clinton, and Pleasant Valley in Dutchess County.

NOTICE OF FILING OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CONSTRUCTION PLAN FOR THE NEW YORK ENERGY SOLUTION

On or about February 19, 2021, New York Transco LLC ("NY Transco") filed a proposed Environmental Management and Construction Plan ("EM&CP") with the New York Public Service Commission ("Commission") for Phase II of the New York Energy Solution project ("NYES" or "Project"). NY Transco filed its Phase II EM&CP to allow for review and comment by parties to the case and the public prior to its approval. By way of background, the Commission issued an Order granting the Project a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("CECPN") on February 11, 2021. On that same day, the Commission issued an Order approving the Project's Phase I EM&CP, which provided information and plans for rebuilding the Churchtown Switching Station in the Town of Claverack and the development and use of two laydown yards in the Towns of Ghent and Claverack.

PHASE II EM&CP

This EM&CP describes the environmental protection measures and construction procedures to be implemented during construction of Phase II of the Project. NY Transco coordinated the EM&CP's content related to Phase II with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, New York State Department of Transportation, and New York State Department of Public Service ("DPS") Staff.

This EM&CP provides, in detail, the scope of work proposed for Phase II of the Project. Construction associated with Phase II of the Project includes (1) the installation of a new, 54.5-mile 345 kV overhead electric transmission line that will be co-located with reconfigured 115 kV transmission lines in an existing electric transmission corridor between the new 345 kV Knickerbocker Switching Station to be owned by NY Transco and located in the Town of Schodack, Rensselaer County, and the existing 345 kV and 115 kV Pleasant Valley Substations owned by Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. ("Con Edison") and Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. ("Central Hudson"), respectively, and located in the Town of Pleasant Valley, Dutchess County; (2) the replacement of 2.2 miles of 115 kV electric transmission line in an existing Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid ("National Grid") electric transmission corridor that extends from the existing 115 kV Blue Stores Substation to a tap with the existing National Grid #8 115 kV Lafarge to Pleasant Valley line; and (3) the reconductoring of 0.8 miles of 2 345 kV electric transmission line circuits on existing structures that will run between the existing 345 kV Pleasant Valley Substation and the new 345 kV Van Wagner Capacitor Bank Station to be owned by the NY Transco and located in the Town of Pleasant Valley.

The Phase II EM&CP will be available for public inspection via uploaded documents on a designated computer during normal business hours at the following locations: *Castleton Public Library*, 85 Main Street, Castleton-On-Hudson, NY 12033; *Claverack Free Library*, 629 Route 23B, Claverack, NY 12513; *Clinton Community Library*, 1215 Centre Road, Rhinebeck, NY 12572; *Hudson Area Library*, 51 N 5th Street, Hudson, NY 12534; *Kinderhook Memorial Library*, 18 Hudson Street, Kinderhook, NY 12106;

Livingston Free Library, 90 Old Post Road, Livingston, NY 12541; Pleasant Valley Free Library, 3 Maggiacomo Lane, Pleasant Valley, NY 12569; Red Hook Public Library, 7444 S Broadway, Red Hook, NY 12571; and Starr Library, 68 W Market Street, Rhinebeck, NY 12572.

Paper hardcopies of the Phase II EM&CP will also be available for public inspection during normal business hours at the following locations: *Schodack Town Hall*, 265 Schuurman Road, Castleton, NY 12033; *Claverack Free Library*, 629 Route 23B, Claverack, NY 12513; *Milan Town Hall*, 20 Wilcox Circle, Red Hook, NY 12571; and *Clinton Community Library*, 1215 Centre Road, Rhinebeck, NY 12572.

NY Transco has established a website to provide additional information to the public about the Project: www.NY-ES.com. This EM&CP will be available for public inspection on the Project's website and may also be viewed online at the website maintained by the New York State Department of Public Service: www.dps.ny.gov. From the homepage, click on "Search," then enter the case number, 19-T-0684, in the "Search by Case Number" field.

COMMENTS, COMPLAINTS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

Any person may be heard by the Commission on any matter or objection regarding the Phase II EM&CP by filing written comments with the Secretary to the Commission and NY Transco (at the addresses immediately below) within 30 days of the date the Phase II EM&CP was filed with the Commission or the date of newspaper publication of this notice, whichever is later. Please reference Case 19-T-0684 – New York Energy Solution. The Environmental Compliance Section of DPS can be reached at 518-474-8702. Comments on any subsequent revisions to the Phase II EM&CP, if any are made in response to the previously mentioned written comments, shall be permitted within 15 days of electronic service of the revised Phase II EM&CP.

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