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Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary to the Commission
New York State Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223

Re: Case 19-T-0684: Application of New York Transco LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility
and Public Need

Dear Secretary Burgess:

The purpose of this letter is to indicate my full support for the New York Energy Solution (NYES) project, an electric transmission upgrade project that will stay entirely within existing utility rights-of-way to help strengthen the resiliency of our state's electric transmission system and help facilitate renewable energy resources by relieving bottlenecks in the existing transmission system.

This project will help create much-needed local jobs, including union labor, during construction and will also result in increased tax revenues for Schodack and the other host communities. In addition to these economic benefits, bolstering the resiliency of our state's electric transmission infrastructure is important to all our residents and businesses now and into the future.

The project developer, New York Transco, has incorporated local stakeholder input into their project design process and continues to keep all stakeholders and local residents informed of potential project impacts. This type of commitment is important to me and my constituents, particularly as the project advances toward construction.

To stay competitive and offer opportunities for our residents and businesses to thrive, we must keep our infrastructure systems strong and poised for the future. For this and the other reasons listed above, I support the New York Energy Solution project and request that any necessary state approvals be issued in a timely manner.

Respectfully,

Jacob C. Ashby

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