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

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

Dear Secretary Burgess:

I write in support of the New York Energy Solution project, an electric transmission upgrade project needed to improve the function, reliability and clean energy flows within our state. The project's route towns of Schodack, Stuyvesant, Stockport, Ghent, Claverack, Livingston, Gallatin and Clermont are part of my 43rd Senatorial District.

The project is a reflection of local stakeholder input by staying entirely within existing utility rights-of-way while keeping structure heights as low as possible. This, along with the developer's commitment to work with abutting landowners and host towns, will minimize any potential environmental and local impacts and is reflective of the important modifications made to the project. I am pleased with the project team's efforts to engage with local citizens and communities in my Senate district, particularly the agricultural community that is so important to our region. They are looking to execute construction in a coordinated fashion with farming operations, including taking into account planting and harvest seasons – something that is important to my constituents and me.

I am glad to support this project and the corresponding positive economic and environmental benefits it will provide both on a statewide level and to our local communities. For these reasons, I respectfully request that the New York Energy Solution project be approved and proceed through the Public Service Commission process in a time-efficient manner. Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

Daphne Jordan

State Senator, 43rd District

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