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New York State Public Service Commission Empire State Plaza Agency Building 3 Albany, NY 12223-1350

Attention: Hon. Jeffrey Cohen Acting Secretary to the Commission

> RE: Application of Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law CASE # 10-T-0139

Dear Hon. Secretary Cohen:

Please allow this correspondence to express the concerns of the Town of Stony Point (hereinafter the "Town") and its residents regarding the above-referenced application.

Enclosed for your review please find recent correspondence from "Just Say NO! to the Champlain Hudson Power Express," (hereinafter "Just say NO!") a group comprised of various stakeholders in the Town of Stony Point. As set forth in the correspondence, residents are requesting an extension of the date by which exceptions and responses must be filed in this matter.

As set forth in the enclosed correspondence, the Town and its residents are aware that they are not parties to this proceeding with legal standing. However, in order to allow time for Hon. Secretary Cohen Page 2 of 2

interested persons and groups to convey their concerns and facts to Parties in this proceeding and perhaps contribute to the exceptions to be filed by the Parties, the Town is requesting that you exercise your power under Rule 4.10 to extend the time for exceptions upon your own motion.

Given the potential serious consequences to residents of the Town, including the possibility of the application of eminent domain against Stony Point residents, we believe extending the date for exceptions would be wholly reasonable and would not result in any prejudice to the applicant under the circumstances.

Having reviewed the various concerns set forth by the "Just Say NO!" group, I believe that they raise numerous valid concerns and they should be afforded appropriate time to convey those concerns, by whatever means necessary, to ensure that any exceptions filed include all relevant information for consideration.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter. Please feel free to contact my office if you wish to discuss any of the above.

Very truly yours,

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Just Say NOI to the Champlain Hudson Power Express

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Application of Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public: Need Pursuant to Article VII of the: PSL for the Construction, Operation: and Maintenance of a High Voltage: Direct Current Circuit from the: Canadian Border to New York City:

CASE 10-T-0139

We are requesting a sixty (60) day extension to the deadlines as established in your decision

Case 10-T- 0139

NOTICE FOR FILING EXCEPTIONS (Issued December 27, 2012)

On behalf of the, "JUST SAY NO! to the Champlain Hudson Power Express" Committee

The Hon. KEVIN J. CASUTTO and The Hon. MICHELLE L. PHILLIPS, Presiding Administrative Law Judges

The <u>"Just Say No! to the Champlain Hudson Power Express"</u> Committee has read your decision on case 10-T-0139 and are concerned with the deadlines as established within the decision. It appears that the timing of this decision was very fortuitous for CHPE. New York State is legally on vacation starting December 24 through December 26, 2012 and again on January 1, 2013. The first day back on the job for the Assembly is January 8, 2013. There is very little time to contact our elected officials or to form a response. Article VII repeatedly states that there has to be public involvement. We respectively submit that we need this extension to better formulate our response to this decision. I understand we may not have legal standing, but it is our homes, both private and personal property that will be stolen by the act of Emanate Domain granted to the applicant by Article VII, and given freely to CSX and CHPE without our consent or approval.

Thank You for your consideration,

The "Just Say No! to the Champlain Hudson Power Express" Committee

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