

STATE OF NEW YORK  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 10-T-0080 - Application of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII for the Construction of a New 115kV Electric Transmission Line from Spier Falls, Saratoga County to Rotterdam, Schenectady County.

NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL FORUM  
AND PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARING

(Issued November 29, 2016)

The New York State Public Service Commission (Commission) invites public comment on a request by Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid (National Grid) to construct and operate a proposed substation and associated line connections, and to construct an associated access road, near the intersection of Lasher Road, Randall Road, and the former Finley Road in Ballston Spa, New York. If the request is approved, National Grid would be authorized to construct and operate a 115 kV/13.2 kV transmission switching and distribution substation, to be known as the Lasher Road Substation, and associated 115 kV tap lines that would tie into National Grid's existing Line 1, Line 2 and Line 302. National Grid also would be authorized to construct a gravel access road to the substation. The proposed size of the substation is about 400 feet by 450 feet or 4.2 acres. National Grid previously requested and received approval, in the form of a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate), to construct a transmission line, roughly 33 miles long, from Spier Falls to Rotterdam. This current request is considered an amendment to that Certificate.

**TAKE NOTICE** that an opportunity for public information and comment regarding National Grid's request will be provided at the following time and place:

**Date: Monday, December 19, 2016**

**Times: 6:00 PM Informational Forum  
6:30 PM Public Statement Hearing**

**Location: Town of Milton Community Center  
310 Northline Road  
Ballston Spa, New York 12020-2491**

In the half-hour prior to the public statement hearing, maps will be available to review, New York State Department of Public Service Staff representatives will give a short presentation on the review process in this case, and National Grid representatives will be available to answer questions about the proposed substation and tap lines. The public is welcome to stop in at any time during the half-hour when the informational forum is scheduled to review information and ask questions.

The informational forum will be followed by a public statement hearing where all those wishing to comment on the Certificate amendment request will have an opportunity to make a statement on the record before an Administrative Law Judge. It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance or to present written material to speak at the hearing. Persons will be called to speak after completing a request card. The public statement hearing will be held open until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made to include their comments in the record. A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be made for inclusion in the record of this proceeding.

Disabled persons requiring special accommodations should call the Department of Public Service's Human Resources

Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

**Other Ways to Comment**

For those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing, there are several other ways to send comments to the Commission regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to "Case 10-T-0080 - National Grid - Lasher Road Substation."

**Internet or Mail:** Go to the Web site ([www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov)), click on "Search," enter the case number (10-T-0080), and then click on "Post Comments" at the top of the page. Alternatively, e-mail comments may be sent directly to the Secretary to the Commission at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov) or they may be mailed or delivered to Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. All comments will become part of the record in this proceeding and will be reported to the Commission for its consideration. All submitted comments may be accessed on the Commission's Web site (go to [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), and then search using the case number). Many libraries offer free Internet access.

**Toll-Free Opinion Line:** You may call the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to take comments about pending cases from in-State callers, 24 hours a day. These comments are not transcribed verbatim, but a summary is provided to the Commission.

Comments submitted via these alternate means are requested by January 19, 2017.

National Grid's application may be viewed online (go to [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), and then search using case number "10-T-0080") or may be viewed at public libraries in Ballston Spa, Burnt Hills, Clifton Park, Corinth, Galway, Mechanicville, Northville, Round Lake, Saratoga Springs, Schenectady, Schuylerville, Stillwater, and Waterford.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS  
Secretary