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VIA EMAIL

Hon. Jaclyn A. Brilling
Secretary
New York State Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223-1350

Re: Case 12-T-0248: Application of New York State Electric & Gas Corporation for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for Construction of the "Columbia County Transmission Project," Approximately 11.1 Miles of 115 Kilovolt Transmission Lines and related facilities in the Towns of Chatham, Ghent, and Stockport, in Columbia County.

Dear Secretary Brilling:

Our firm represents Protect Ghent, Inc. ("PG"), a 501(c)(3) corporation formed for the purposes of, inter alia, promoting and encouraging sound energy development, land use and other public policies in an around the Towns of Ghent, Chatham and Stockport, New York. Please accept this correspondence as PG's Notice of Intent to intervene as a party in the above-captioned Article VII proceeding, pursuant to the Commission's procedural rules set forth at 16 N.Y.C.R.R. § 4.3(b)(i) and 85-2 (a)(11).¹

Alternatively, PG qualifies for permissive party status under Section 4.3(c)(1) of the Commission's procedural rules, in that the input of its members -- a diverse array of residents and landowners, including in the path of the proposed NYSEG transmission facility -- will contribute to the development of a complete record in the above-captioned proceeding, and PG's participation in this proceeding is otherwise fair and in the public interest.

PG respectfully requests that the following persons be added to the Active Parties List in this proceeding:

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¹ PG's mission aligns with, and it therefore qualifies for party status under, Sections 85-2.11(i), (ii), (iii) and (vi) of the Commission's procedural rules.

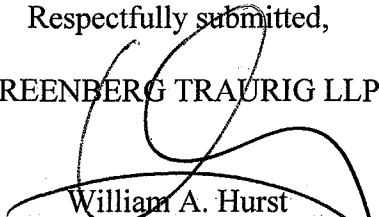
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The above representative parties consent to service of Commission documents via e-mail, and agree to waive their right to personal service of Commission orders.

My thanks in advance for your consideration of this request. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned at any time.

Respectfully submitted,
GREENBERG TRAUIG LLP

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cc: Peter Coan

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Request Party Status

Case Number: 12-T-0248

Case Title: Application of New York State Electric & Gas Corporation for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of the "Columbia County Transmission Project," Approximately 11.1 Miles of 115 Kilovolt Transmission Lines and related facilities in the Towns of Chatham, Ghent, and Stockport, in Columbia County.

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Reason: See the attached correspondence dated June 11, 2012

I consent to electronic service of Commission orders in this case. I am authorized to give this consent. I knowingly waive the right specified in Public Service Law §23(1) to be served personally or by mail with Commission orders in this case. Yes

I understand that by submitting this form, I consent to serve other parties electronically and to receive service from other parties electronically except as otherwise directed by the presiding officer.

(Name) _____

(Date) June 11, 2012