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Re: Case 10-T-0139 – Champlain Hudson Power Express (CHPE)

Dear Senator O'Mara:

Thank you for your October 18<sup>th</sup> letter to Chairman Brown which has been forwarded to us for reply as the Administrative Law Judges assigned to this proceeding. Because we are responsible for providing an independent and unbiased review of the CHPE application, we cannot comment at this time on the merits of the issues you raise. However, we will consider your comments, and they will be placed in the public file of the proceeding. Your comments will become part of the formal record of the proceeding, upon which the Commission will decide to grant, modify, or reject the CHPE application.

Thank you again for your interest in this proceeding.

Respectfully,

Kevin J. Casutto  
Administrative Law Judge

Michelle L. Phillips  
Administrative Law Judge

CC: PSC Chairman Garry Brown  
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