

The Legislature of Rockland County



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Hon. Jeffrey Cohen, Acting Secretary
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Hon. Jeffrey Cohen:

We are writing regarding Case 10-T-0139 – the proposed Champlain Hudson Power Express transmission line. We respectfully request that you permit a 60-day extension for the public to respond to the decision previously made on this application. As a result of the holidays and the delays before the start of the new legislative session, the public has not had a credible ability to make its voice heard on this important issue.

The proposed Champlain Hudson transmission line would be built through a large part of Rockland County, and many environmental issues that need to be considered. The project's intrusion on the Hudson River presents a threat to the wildlife as well as the entire ecological well being of the area.

In addition to the environmental issues, the construction of this line completely ignores the fact that Rockland is home to two properties that can be used to generate electricity without having to resort to costly and destructive construction. Pursuing this project therefore makes little financial, environmental, and energy-related sense.

In conclusion, we hope you will consider this request to extend the time for the public to participate in this project, which will directly affect their lives in numerous ways. Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

Handwritten signature of Ilan S. Schoenberger in black ink.

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