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Re: Case 12-T-0502 - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to Examine Alternating Current Transmission Upgrades.

Case 13-E-0488 - In the Matter of Alternating Current Transmission Upgrades - Comparative Proceeding.

Case 13-T-0454 - Application of North America Transmission Corporation and North America Transmission, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law for an Alternating Current Transmission Upgrade Project Consisting of an Edic to Fraser 345 kV Transmission Line and a New Scotland to Leeds to Pleasant Valley 345 kV Transmission Line.

Case 13-T-0455 - Part A Application of NextEra Energy Transmission New York, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law for the Marcy to Pleasant Valley Project.

Case 13-T-0456 - The Part A Application of NextEra Energy Transmission New York, Inc. for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII for the Oakdale to Fraser Project.

Case 13-M-0457 - Application of New York Transmission Owners Pursuant to Article VII for Authority to Construct and Operate Electric Transmission Facilities in Multiple Counties in New York State.

Case 13-T-0461 - Application of Boundless Energy NE, LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII for Leeds Path West Project.

Dear Ms. Wilkinson:

I received your letter dated August 25, 2014 in which the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) requests an extension of time, until September 5, 2014, to submit comments in response to the Commission's August 13, 2014 Notice Seeking Comment

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on Advisory Staff Recommendations in the above referenced matters. You state that an extension is necessary due to the unavailability of DEC Staff to participate in the development of comments.

This is to advise that I have granted an extension to and including September 2, 2014 for parties to file comments. The extension is granted in order to promote the fair, orderly and efficient conduct of this proceeding. The deadline for reply comments is unchanged. Reply comments will be due on September 12, 2014.

This ruling will be posted on the Commission's website.

Sincerely,

Kathleen H. Burgess Secretary