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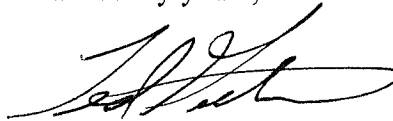
RE: NYSEG - Columbia County Transmission Project
Case Number: 12-01084/12-T-0248

Dear Secretary Brillling:

I am writing to advise that the Town of Ghent supports the submission filed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation in connection with NYSEG's motion for waivers of application requirements in the above referenced Article VII Proceeding. Specifically, but without limitation, NYSEG needs to provide a storm water prevention plan and this requirement should not be waived or modified.

The Town of Ghent also concurs with the observations made in the letter recently submitted to the Public Service Commission written by Benjamin Swett, who is a party to this proceeding.

Sincerely yours,



Theodore Guterman, II

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cc: All parties by email