

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 24-T-0150 - Petition of Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid to Amend the Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Authorizing Removal and Installation of H-Frame Structures from Existing 345 kV Overhead Electrical Transmission Facility Located in the City of Oswego and in the Towns of Oswego, Minetto, and Volney, Oswego County.

NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS

(Issued April 1, 2024)

On July 20, 1973, the Public Service Commission granted a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid (the Certificate Holder).¹ The Certificate, granted pursuant to Public Service Law (PSL) Article VII, authorized the construction and operation of an overhead double-circuit 345 kV transmission line from the Oswego Steam Station in the City of Oswego to the Volney Substation in the Town of Volney.

In a petition filed on March 8, 2024 (March 2024 Amendment Petition), pursuant to PSL Section 122(4), the Certificate Holder requests a Certificate amendment that would authorize changes to Certificate Condition 3 to allow for the replacement of existing, damaged wood poles. The relevant

¹ Case 26251, Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, Opinion No. 73-21, Opinion and Order Granting, with Conditions, Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for a 345 kV Electric Transmission Line from Oswego to Volney (issued July 20, 1973).

portion of Certificate Condition 3, subsection C, currently reads as follows:

The transmission line shall be supported on a combination of steel poles and wood "H-frame" poles ... Wood "H-frame" poles shall be used for the remainder of the route to the Volney Substation except that steel poles shall be used at the points where the Oswego River is crossed. Those wood "H-frame" poles located in the towns of Oswego, outside of the common corridor with the Oswego-DeWitt transmission line, Minetto, and Volney shall have curved cross-arms ...

If amended, Certificate Condition 3 would allow for the use of galvanized steel structures with straight arms in place of wood "H-frame" structures with curved arms.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that comments on the March 2024 Amendment Petition are requested by April 22, 2024. Comments should be submitted electronically, by going to www.dps.ny.gov, clicking on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), entering "24-T-0150" in the "Search by Case Number" field, and then clicking on the "Post Comments" box located at the top of the page. Those unable to file electronically may mail their comments to the Honorable Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York, 12223-1350. Comments submitted to the Secretary will be posted on the Department's website and will be included in the official case record.

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MICHELLE L. PHILLIPS
Secretary