

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 22-T-0558 - Application of New York Power Authority and Clean Path New York LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of Approximately 178 miles of Transmission Lines and Associated Facilities from Delhi, New York, to Queens, New York.

RULING ON REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

(Issued July 13, 2023)

ANTHONY BELSITO, Administrative Law Judge:

On July 12, 2023, Riverkeeper, Inc. and Scenic Hudson, Inc. submitted a joint motion requesting a 30-day extension of the July 14, 2023, deadline to apply for intervenor funds previously established by notice.¹ Riverkeeper and Scenic Hudson state that the requested extension is necessary to locate and hire an experienced engineering and consulting firm to assist in their review of the application and participation in the proceeding. Movants indicate that they have requested bids from multiple consultants but have been unable to identify a suitable consultant from the limited responses they received. Movants argue that the requested extension will allow time for receipt of additional bids and that it will not substantially prejudice other parties or unduly delay the case.

Movants' requested extension is granted. Other parties may take advantage of the 30-day extension if desired. However, absent applicant's waiver of the decisional deadline or the filing of a notice of settlement, Public Service Law (PSL)

¹ Case 21-T-0340, Notice of Availability of Intervenor Funding and Deadline for Submitting Funding Requests (issued June 13, 2023).

§123(3) (a) requires completion of this proceeding within 12 months of the date the application is determined to comply with PSL §122. Therefore, to avoid undue delay of the proceeding or prejudice to other parties, I will make awards for funding, as may be appropriate, after reviewing any requests received by the original deadline of July 14, 2023. Notwithstanding the available extension, parties are encouraged to submit funding requests as promptly as possible in consideration of the statutory timeframes applicable to the proceeding.²

(SIGNED)

ANTHONY BELSITO

² Parties should note that inclusion “the name and qualifications of each expert to be employed” in a request for intervenor funding is only required “[t]o the extent possible” and that requests for funds may be considered absent this information provided that the other regulatory requirements are met. 16 NYCRR §85-2.4.