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October 16, 2012

Donald Jessome, P. Eng, MBA
President and CEO
Transmission Developers Inc.
600 Broadway, Third Floor
Albany, NY 12207

Dear Mr. Jessome:

Since the public announcement of the Champlain Hudson Power Express (CHPE) project in February 2010, I have met several times with you and your development team and separately with numerous experts in the field to assess the impact of your proposed transmission line on New York State's energy planning and policy goals. While I understand the joint proposal before the Public Service Commission would result in the construction of a point-to-point interconnect between Quebec and New York City, I urge your company to consider examining the benefits of a multi-terminal HVDC cable.

Affording New York power producers the opportunity to compete for the line's capacity through an interconnection within the state warrants a thorough review. Additional points of access could help satisfy the State's objective of maintaining fuel diversity while providing your company with a broader array of electric resources to satisfy demand. It would also enhance reliability by allowing for increased controllability of power flow, voltage and frequency support.

To that end, I respectfully request Transmission Developers Inc. commission an independent economic and technical cost / benefit analysis to evaluate the feasibility of constructing converter stations at one or more locations along the proposed route.

I appreciate your consideration of this matter and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kevin A. Cahill".

Kevin Cahill
Chair, Assembly Energy Committee



October 17, 2012

Honorable Kevin Cahill, Member
New York State Assembly
LOB 713
Albany, New York 12248

Dear Assemblyman Cahill:

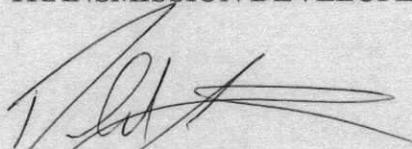
Thank you for your letter of October 16th requesting that Transmission Developers Inc. ("TDI") evaluate the feasibility of constructing additional converter stations at one or more locations along the proposed route of its Champlain Hudson Power Express Project (the "Project"). As it stands today, the Project will bring economic growth and thousands of direct and indirect jobs to the State, save the State's utility customers hundreds of millions of dollars each year, help the State achieve its ambitious greenhouse gas reduction goals, and increase the reliability and security of the New York Control Area grid. The Project is widely supported by dozens of congressmen and other public officials, seven state agencies, the City of New York, unions, newspapers, and major environmental groups.

We greatly appreciate your expertise and oversight responsibilities in the energy sector. As you requested, TDI will commission "an independent economic and technical cost/benefit analysis to evaluate the feasibility of constructing converter stations at one or more locations along the preferred route."

Thank you for your *continued interest in the Project*. I look forward to consulting with you and your staff on the scope of this study.

Very truly yours,

TRANSMISSION DEVELOPERS INC.



Donald Jessome
President and CEO