

APPENDIX E

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Deputy Commissioner
Energy Management

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Mr. Gene Martin President & COO Transmission Developers, Inc. 1301 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10019

Re: Champlain Hudson Power Express ("CHPE") Project's Alternate New York City Route Segment Proposal

Dear Mr. Martin:

The Department of Citywide Administrative Services serves as the hub for operationalizing energy policy in the City of New York and as such is responding to Transmission Developers, Inc. ("TDI") request to alter the Champlain Hudson Power Express project's approved route within in New York City as described in its Article VII permit. TDI has informed the City of New York that construction of its proposed underground transmission project in the certified route through Harlem River Yards is no longer feasible. Accordingly, representatives from the City of New York, including the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation and Department of Transportation, have been working with TDI to evaluate relocating a segment of the project to a new route that would avoid Harlem River Yards and traverse Randall's Island Park. The parties have identified a route that would locate the facility predominately under athletic fields, paved roads and pathways for approximately one mile, with minimal impact to park users, park facilities, and the environment. Pending further technical review of TDI's revised plans, and so long as the City's requirements are met through the revocable consent process described below, the parties have conceptually agreed upon an approach that includes the following general parameters:

- utilizing Horizontal Directional Drill ("HDD") technology to install the cable for the portion of the route between the shoreline and the transition vaults;
- using an open trench method to install the cables for the portion of the route between the two
 transition vaults. The open trench portion will be constructed at a depth approximately 6 feet
 below the surface, and will predominately be constructed below the paved surface of a
 bicycle/pedestrian path;
- installing two transition vaults each with two 24 36-inch diameter surface access hatches under paved road, providing the maximum depth feasible between the surface elevation and the roof of the vault;
- performing construction activities during off seasons when park use is lower;
- placing HDD receiving and launching areas in locations recommended by the City; and
- full and prompt restoration of impacted park facilities.

To facilitate the placement of CHPE's transmission system below ground within Randall's Island Park, NYC Parks and other responsible City agencies intend to support an application for a revocable consent to authorize TDI access during construction and occupancy throughout Project operations. As part of this support, TDI has committed to engage local communities and relevant stakeholders, including elected representatives, through which the line will traverse to ensure the continued well-being of the affected

communities. The City reserves the right to review, comment on, condition, and/or reject any such application as it sees fit in the due exercise of its discretion.

Sincerely,

Chief Energy Management Officer City of New York