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Hon. Michelle Phillips, Secretary NYS Public Service Commission Three Empire State Plaza Albany, NY 12223-1350

Re: Case 10-T-0139: Application of Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc. for a

Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need Pursuant to Article VII of the PSL for the Construction, Operation and Maintenance of a High Voltage Direct Current

Circuit from the Canadian Border to New York City

Dear Secretary Phillips:

Enclosed please find the "Segment 17" Three Transitional HDD Environmental Management and Construction Plan (EM&CP) for the electric transmission project known as the Champlain Hudson Power Express Project (the "Project"). This EM&CP is submitted by CHPE LLC and CHPE Properties, Inc. (together "CHPE" or the "Certificate Holders") in accordance with the requirements of CHPE's April 18, 2013 Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need ("Certificate"), issued pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law ("PSL") by the New York State Public Service Commission (the "Commission").

The Project is a buried, High Voltage, Direct Current ("HVDC") transmission line extending approximately 339 miles from Montreal, Quebec to a converter station in Astoria, Queens. This EM&CP involves the installation of three Transitional HDDs at Putnam Station (Town of Putnam, Washington County), Cementon (Town of Catskill, Greene County), and Congers (Town of Clarkstown, Rockland County), as well as utilization of temporary laydown yards at Putnam Station (Town of Putnam), and at Tomkins Cove (Town of Stony Point). The work proposed involves installing conduits that will be used for the future installation of the submarine cable transitions from Lake Champlain and the Hudson River to land cable for the overland route. The EM&CP describes and depicts the specific location of the areas to be used for these installations, work to be performed, plan and profile drawings depicting the Project, and protocols to be used during construction to protect the community and the environment, and to comply with the CHPE Certificate. A revised schedule of EM&CP Segment submissions is included as Table 1.1 in the attached EM&CP Narrative.

The Certificate Holders have circulated notices related to this filing and will serve this filing in accordance with the Certificate. Notices have been published in the official newspapers for each

of the Towns in which a proposed Transitional HDD or laydown yard is located. Notices have also been mailed to landowners near the proposed Laydown Yards; posted to the project website; and circulated to Parties to this proceeding via upload to DMM. Notices to nearby structure owners were mailed as required by the Certificate. Proofs of service of notices and of the EM&CP documents, including affidavits of publication in local newspapers, will be submitted under separate cover as soon as they are available.

Lastly, this EM&CP includes one document which is submitted under confidential cover—Appendix J, Cultural Resources Management Plan, which is confidential because it identifies the location of sensitive cultural resources which are protected from disclosure by law.

Please feel free to reach out to my office with any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures