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Via Electronic Mail:

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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.

Notice to Proceed with Construction

Dear Ms. Darling:

The Application submitted by the Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc (CHPE) to build a High Voltage Direct Current Circuit from the Canadian Border to New York City, was approved on April 18, 2013. This Notice to Proceed pertains to CHPE's Segment 1 and 2 Environmental Management and Construction Plan (EM&CP). CHPE submitted the EM&CP for Segment 1 and 2 on April 15, 2022, filed a supplement on August 19, 2022, and refiled the revised EM&CP on September 21, 2022. A Limited Notice to Proceed with Construction was approved for Segments 1 and 2 on November 28, 2022, for site preparation of the Ryder Road Laydown Yard. The Segment 1 and 2 EM&CP, submitted by CHPE, was approved by the New York State Public Service Commission on October 13, 2022. Ordering Clause 6 ofthat October 13th Order stated:

"The Certificate Holder shall not commence construction until it has received a "Notice to Proceed with Construction" letter sent by the Chief of Environmental Certification and Compliance of the Office of Electric, Gas and Water or by a designee."

Laura Darling February 27, 2023

On the date of February 27, 2023, you are hereby authorized to commence construction on all portions of EM&CP Segment 1 and 2.

If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Smith of the Environmental Certification and Compliance Staff, at (518) 402-5141 or by email at matthew.smith@dps.ny.gov.

Sincerely,

Jason Zehr

Chief, Environmental Certification and Compliance Office of Electric, Gas and Water

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