

## Notice of the Start of Construction for Segment 23 of the Champlain Hudson Power Express Project

Dear Stakeholder,

On or about May 6, 2024, the Champlain Hudson Power Express Project ("CHPE") intends to begin site preparation and construction on Segment 23, Astoria Rainey Cable, of the proposed Champlain Hudson Power Express ("CHPE") Project. Segment 23 of the CHPE Project includes installation of approximately 3.5 miles of buried alternating current (AC) transmission cable in New York City, primarily along city streets in Queens, connecting the Astoria and Rainey substations. The initial construction work will involve preparation of the site, followed by installation of the cable and associated work. Where possible, construction near residences and sensitive receptors will generally occur during daylight hours, though some limited activities would extend to later hours as needed and where permitted by New York City codes.

On April 18, 2013, the NYS Public Service Commission (Commission) issued to CHPE a certificate of environmental compatibility and public need (Certificate), pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law (PSL), to construct and operate the CHPE Project. The Segment 23 Astoria Rainey Cable EM&CP was approved by the Commission on April 18, 2024. Upon receipt of a Notice to Proceed with Construction letter sent by the New York State Department of Public Service's Office of Electric, Gas and Water, CHPE will be authorized to commence construction activities for these Segments.

Facility construction falls under the jurisdiction of the Commission, which is responsible for enforcing compliance with environmental and construction conditions, and which may be contacted through Matthew Smith, Office of Electric, Gas and Water, New York State Department of Public Service, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223, via telephone at (518)474-8702 or email at <a href="matthew.smith@dps.ny.gov">matthew.smith@dps.ny.gov</a>.

## **Contact Information and Document Repositories**

CHPE has established a toll-free number for questions regarding the Project: 1-800-991-CHPE (2473). Questions or requests for further information can be directed to <a href="mailto:publicoutreach@chpexpress.com">publicoutreach@chpexpress.com</a> or by mail to Molly Hollister, WSP USA, One Pennsylvania Plaza, New York, New York 10119.

Details of the planned work locations, including construction drawings showing in detail the Segment, are available on the Project website at: <a href="https://chpexpress.com/overview-of-public-documents/environmental-management-construction-plan/">https://chpexpress.com/overview-of-public-documents/environmental-management-construction-plan/</a>.

The full Commission docket for the Project can be accessed via the Commission's website at: <a href="http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=10-T-0139">http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/CaseMaster.aspx?MatterCaseNo=10-T-0139</a>.





Paper copies of the Segment 23 EM&CP submissions are available for viewing at the following local document repositories: Queens Public Library Astoria Branch, 14-01 Astoria Boulevard, Astoria, NY 11102 and Queens Public Library, 37-44 21st Street, Long Island City, NY 11101.

Yours truly,

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