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RE: Application for Presidential Permit; Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc.

OE Docket No. PP-362

Dear Dr. Pell,

In accordance with Rules 212 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR § 385.212 and § 385.214), the New York Power Authority, hereby respectfully submits its *Motion to Intervene* in the above-captioned docket.

Please add those indentified as the Power Authority's representatives to the Department of Energy's service list for this project.

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

OFFICE OF ELECTRICITY DELIVERY AND ENERGY RELIABILITY

CHAMPLAIN HUDSON POWER EXPRESS)	
HVDC TRANSMISSION PROJECT)	OE Docket No. PP-362
PRESIDENTIAL PERMIT APPLICATION)	

MOTION TO INTERVENE OF NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Rule 212 and 214 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. §§ 385.212, 214), the NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY ("NYPA") hereby moves to intervene as a party. NYPA has good cause for said motion and requests that the Commission grant NYPA permission to intervene in the above reference docket.

I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

CHAMPLAIN HUDSON POWER EXPRESS INC. ("CHPEI") filed an application for a Presidential Permit with the U.S. Department of Energy. CHPEI proposes to connect renewable sources of power generation in central and eastern Canada with load centers in and around New York City and Southwestern Connecticut regions.

The proposed project will include underwater and underground, high-voltage direct current transmission cables connecting converter stations in Yonkers, New York and Bridgeport, Connecticut.

II. NOTICES and COMMUNICATIONS

All correspondence, pleadings, and other communications regarding this motion should be sent to:

Terryl L. Brown Executive Vice President and General Counsel New York Power Authority 123 Main Street White Plains, NY 10601 (914) 390-8000

III. MOTION TO INTERVENE

NYPA is a corporate municipal instrumentality and a political subdivision of the State of New York (the "State"), organized and existing under the laws of the State and operating pursuant to Title 1 of Article 5 of the New York Public Authorities Law ("PAL"). NYPA is a "municipality" within the meaning of § 3(7) of the Federal Power Act. Matter of Power Authority of the State of New York, Project No. 2216, 19 F.P.C. 186 (1958).

NYPA was created by statute in 1931 (L. 1931 Chapter 772, codified at PAL \$1000 et seq.) for the purpose of developing hydroelectric potential of the International Rapids section of the St. Lawrence River and to help provide an adequate and dependable supply of electricity to the State. Its charter was subsequently expanded to include development of hydroelectric generation on the Niagara River and other generating plants.

NYPA generates, transmits, and sells electric power and energy principally at wholesale. NYPA's primary customers are municipal and investor-owned utilities and

rural electric cooperatives located throughout the State, high load factor industries and other businesses, various public corporations located within the metropolitan area of New York City, including the City of New York, and certain out-of-state customers. NYPA is also a transmission owner member of the New York Independent System Operator ("NYISO").

CHPEI has applied for a Presidential Permit to construct, operate, maintain, and connect an electric transmission line across the United States border with Canada. CHPEI proposes to construct and operate a primarily underground and submarine high-voltage direct current (HVDC) electric transmission line that will originate at an HVDC converter station in Quebec, Canada, and ultimately terminate in Yonkers, New York, and Bridgeport, Connecticut. Along the proposed route, the CHPEI submarine transmission cables would be routed through Lake Champlain, the Hudson River, and Long Island Sound before terminating in Bridgeport, Connecticut. NYPA owns and operates underground high voltage transmission lines that will be crossed over by the proposed project lines and be potentially impacted along the proposed CHPEI project route.

Thus, NYPA has unique and substantial interests that may be affected by CHPEI's proposed project. Moreover, the interests of NYPA would not be adequately represented by any other party in this proceeding. Consequently, it is in the public interest that NYPA be permitted to intervene in this proceeding and to participate fully as a party therein.

IV. <u>CONCLUSION</u>

WHEREFORE, NYPA, in view of the foregoing, respectfully requests that it be permitted to intervene in this proceeding with all the rights that pertain to such status.

Dated: April 2, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served by regular mail the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service list in this proceeding in accordance with the requirements of Rule 2010 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. Dated at White Plains, New York this 2nd day of April, 2010.

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