Public Statement Hearings Set Regarding Request by PSEG Long Island — Utility Proposes New Underground Transmission Line in Nassau County —

ALBANY — The New York State Public Service Commission (Commission) today announced it will hold two public statement hearings concerning a request by PSEG Long Island to construct and operate a new 138 kilovolt (kV) underground transmission line in the Town of Hempstead, Nassau County.

To construct the project, PSEG LI must obtain a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need from the Commission pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law. PSEG LI’s proposed project involves the construction of a second circuit between the East Garden City substation in Uniondale and the Valley Stream Substation in Lynbrook. The project would be located wholly within the Town of Hempstead and would traverse the villages of Garden City, Malverne and Lynbrook. The project would be constructed primarily within municipal public roadway rights-of-way for a total distance of approximately seven miles.

The Commission may adopt or reject the proposal, in whole or in part, or modify it. In doing so, the Commission will consider input from the participating parties and the general public. An Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) is presiding over the gathering of public comments and all evidence relating to the project.

Public Statement Hearings

Members of the public and other interested persons are invited to attend the hearings at which time they may provide their comments concerning the project before an ALJ. During the scheduled informational sessions, representatives of PSEG LI will provide a brief overview of the project, and Department of Public Service staff will describe generally the Article VII review process. These presentations will be followed by a brief opportunity for questions and answers. Each information session will conclude at least five minutes before the public statement hearing is scheduled to commence. The public statement hearings will be held as follows:
Wednesday, May 30, 2018

Theodore Roosevelt Executive Building
Legislative Chambers
1550 Franklin Avenue
Mineola, New York 11501

Information Sessions:   2:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Public Statement Hearings: 3:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

A verbatim transcript of the hearings will be made for inclusion in the record of the proceeding. It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance in order to speak. Persons will be called to speak after completing a participation card. Speakers need not provide written copies of their comments. The hearings will be kept open for at least one hour and will continue until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made to include their comments in the record.

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should contact the Department of Public Service's Human Resource Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711 to reach the Department of Public Service's Human Resource Office. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this press release.

Other Ways to Comment

For those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at the hearings, there are several other ways comments may be submitted to the Commission. Comments should refer to “Case 17-T-0752 – Western Nassau Transmission Project” and are requested by June 15, 2018.

Commission Website: Comments may be entered directly into the case file via the Commission’s website, which can be found at www.dps.ny.gov. At the home page, click on “Search” and enter the case number, 17-T-0752. This will bring you to the web page maintained for this individual case. To offer your comments click on the “Post Comments” button at the top of the page and input your comments using the form provided.

Email or Mail: Comments may also be sent via e-mail to Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, at secretary@dps.ny.gov, or by mail or delivery to Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany NY 12223-1350.

Toll-Free Opinion Line: Individuals may submit comments using the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to take comments about pending cases from in-state callers, 24 hours a day. Press "2" to leave comments. Telephonic comments are not transcribed verbatim, but a summary is provided to the ALJ who will report to the Commission.

All written comments will become part of the record and will be reported to the Commission for its consideration. All written comments may be accessed on the Commission's website at www.dps.ny.gov. Click the “Search” button on the home page and then enter “17-T-0752” in the space provided for searching by case number; then view the “Public Comments” tab.

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