PSC SEEKS PUBLIC INPUT ON RG&E’s RELIABILITY PROJECT
— Electric Transmission Line, Substation and Equipment Upgrades —

Albany, NY—03/28/12—The New York State Public Service Commission will hold public statement hearings to receive comment on Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation’s (RG&E) application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of the “Rochester Reliability Project,” approximately 23.6 miles of 115-kiloVolt (kV) line in the City of Rochester and the Towns of Chili, Gates and Henrietta, 1.9 miles of new 345 kV transmission line, a new 345 kV/115kV substation, and equipment upgrades of several existing substations in Monroe County, and equipment upgrades at two substations in Niagara County.

The proposed routes for the circuits are primarily within and along existing transmission and railroad corridors. The construction of the Rochester Reliability Project is intended to provide for new sources of electric generation for the RG&E system to allow for the loss of other sources. It will also help relieve loading on existing 115kV lines.

The public statement hearings will be held before an Administrative Law Judge as follows:

Tuesday, April 3, 2012
City of Rochester Information Session: 3:00 p.m.
City Hall, Council Chambers
Public Statement Hearing: 4:00 p.m.
30 Church Street
Rochester, New York 14614
Tuesday, April 3, 2012
Town of Henrietta Information Session: 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall, Main Meeting Room
Public Statement Hearing: 7:00 p.m.
475 Calkins Road, Main Meeting Room
Henrietta, New York 14623

Public Statement Hearings
The public will have an opportunity to present comments at a hearing before the Administrative Law Judge. A verbatim transcript of the hearings will be made for inclusion in the record of this proceeding. It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance or to present written material in order to speak at the public statement hearing. Speakers will be called after completing a card requesting time to speak. The public statement hearing will be held open for a minimum of one hour, and will be kept open until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made to include their comments in the record of the case.

Disabled persons 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 Management Office at the (518) 474-2520 number.

Other Ways to Comment
Internet or Mail: Those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing may comment by e-mail, mail or delivery addressed to Hon. Jaclyn A. Brilling, Secretary. The e-mail address is secretary@dps.ny.gov. The address for mail or delivery is Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350. Comments should refer to "Case 11-T-0534 Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation – Article VII."

Toll-Free Opinion Line: You may call 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.
Comments provided through these alternative methods will become part of the record and be reported to the Commission for its consideration. Submitted comments may be accessed on the Commission’s Web site at (www.dps.ny.gov), by searching Case 11-T-0534. Many libraries offer free Internet access. Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation’s application for the proposed transmission facility can be viewed on the Commission’s web site and at the following local libraries:

Chili Public Library
333 Chili Avenue
Rochester, NY 14624

Gates Public Library
902 Elmgrove Road
Rochester, NY 14624

Henrietta Public Library
455 Calkins Road
Henrietta, NY 14623

Central Library of Rochester
115 South Avenue
Rochester, NY 14604

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