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 TRANSMISSION PROJECT

INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT   
 AMONG THE

NEW YORK INDEPENDENT SYSTEM OPERATOR, INC.   
 AND

CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION   
 AND

NEW YORK TRANSCO, LLC   
Dated as of February 26, 2021

(New York Energy Solution Segment B Transmission Project)

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TRANSMISSION PROJECT INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

THIS TRANSMISSION PROJECT INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT (“Agreement”) is made and entered into this 26th day of February 2021, by and among New York Transco,   
LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York (“Transmission Developer” with a Transmission Project), the New York Independent System   
Operator, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York (“NYISO”), and Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York (“Connecting Transmission Owner”).   
Transmission Developer, the NYISO, or Connecting Transmission Owner each may be referred to as a “Party” or collectively referred to as the “Parties.”

RECITALS

WHEREAS, NYISO operates the New York State Transmission System and Connecting   
Transmission Owner owns certain facilities included in the New York State Transmission   
System;

WHEREAS, Transmission Developer intends to construct, own, and operate a Transmission

Project described in Appendix C to this Agreement that will interconnect to the New York State Transmission System;

WHEREAS, the NYISO selected the Transmission Project proposed by Transmission

Developer and Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid (“National Grid”) as the more efficient or cost effective transmission solution to address a Public Policy Transmission Need in accordance with the NYISO’s Public Policy Transmission Planning Process located in Attachment Y of the ISO OATT;

WHEREAS, Transmission Developer and National Grid entered into the Development

Agreement (as defined herein) with the NYISO for purposes of constructing the Transmission Project and placing it in-service to satisfy the Public Policy Transmission Need;

WHEREAS, National Grid assigned its rights, duties, and obligations under the Development Agreement to Transmission Developer on March 10, 2020, giving Transmission Developer sole rights to the development of the Transmission Project;

WHEREAS, the Transmission Project was evaluated in the NYISO’s Transmission Interconnection Procedures located in Attachment P of the ISO OATT;

WHEREAS, portions of the Transmission Project will interconnect to the New York State

Transmission System at facilities owned and operated by the Connecting Transmission Owner;

WHEREAS, Transmission Interconnection Studies determined that certain Network Upgrade Facilities were required on the Connecting Transmission Owner’s system for the Transmission Project to connect reliably to the system in a manner that meets the NYISO Transmission   
Interconnection Standard;

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WHEREAS, Transmission Developer, NYISO, and Connecting Transmission Owner have

agreed to enter into this Agreement for the purpose of interconnecting the Transmission Project with the Connecting Transmission Owner’s facilities included in the New York State   
Transmission System;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of and subject to the mutual covenants contained herein, it is agreed:

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS

Whenever used in this Agreement with initial capitalization, the following terms shall have the

meanings specified in this Article 1. Terms used in this Agreement with initial capitalization that   
are not defined in this Article 1 shall have the meanings specified in Section 1 of the ISO OATT,   
Section 22.1 of Attachment P of the ISO OATT, Section 25.1.2 of Attachment S of the ISO   
OATT, the body of the Transmission Interconnection Procedures or the body of this Agreement.

Affected System shall mean an electric system other than the transmission system owned, controlled or operated by the Connecting Transmission Owner that may be affected by the proposed interconnection.

Affected System Operator shall mean the entity that operates an Affected System.

Affected Transmission Owner shall mean the New York public utility or authority (or its

designated agent) other than the Connecting Transmission Owner that (i) owns facilities used for the transmission of Energy in interstate commerce and provides Transmission Service under the Tariff, and (ii) owns, leases or otherwise possesses an interest in a portion of the New York State Transmission System where System Deliverability Upgrades, System Upgrade Facilities, or   
Network Upgrade Facilities are or will be installed pursuant to Attachment P, Attachment X, Attachment Z, or Attachment S to the ISO OATT.

Affiliate shall mean, with respect to a person or entity, any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, joint venture, association, joint-stock company, trust or unincorporated organization,   
directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by, or under common control with, such person or entity. The term “control” shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct the management or policies of a person or an entity. A voting interest of ten percent or more shall create a rebuttable presumption of control.

Applicable Laws and Regulations shall mean all duly promulgated applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, rules, ordinances, codes, decrees, judgments, directives, or judicial or administrative orders, permits and other duly authorized actions of any Governmental Authority, including but not limited to Environmental Law.

Applicable Reliability Councils shall mean the NERC, the NPCC and the NYSRC.

Applicable Reliability Standards shall mean the requirements and guidelines of the Applicable Reliability Councils, and the Transmission District to which the Transmission Developer’s   
Transmission Project is directly interconnected, as those requirements and guidelines are

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amended and modified and in effect from time to time; provided that no Party shall waive its

right to challenge the applicability or validity of any requirement or guideline as applied to it in the context of this Agreement.

Base Case shall mean the base case power flow, short circuit, and stability data bases used for   
the Transmission Interconnection Studies by the NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner, or   
the Transmission Developer, as described in Section 22.6.1 of the Transmission Interconnection   
Procedures.

Breach shall mean the failure of a Party to perform or observe any material term or condition of this Agreement.

Breaching Party shall mean a Party that is in Breach of this Agreement.

Business Day shall mean Monday through Friday, excluding federal holidays.

Calendar Day shall mean any day including Saturday, Sunday or a federal holiday.

Confidential Information shall mean any information that is defined as confidential by Article

22 of this Agreement.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall mean the New York public utility or authority (or its   
designated agent) that (i) owns facilities used for the transmission of Energy in interstate   
commerce and provides Transmission Service under the Tariff, (ii) owns, leases or otherwise   
possesses an interest in the portion of the New York State Transmission System or Distribution   
System at the Point(s) of Interconnection, and (iii) is a Party to this Agreement. For purposes of   
this Agreement, the Connecting Transmission Owner is defined in the introductory paragraph.

Control Area shall mean an electric power system or combination of electric power systems to   
which a common automatic generation control scheme is applied in order to: (1) match, at all   
times, the power output of the Generators within the electric power system(s) and capacity and   
energy purchased from entities outside the electric power system(s), with the Load within the   
electric power system(s); (2) maintain scheduled interchange with other Control Areas, within   
the limits of Good Utility Practice; (3) maintain the frequency of the electric power system(s)   
within reasonable limits in accordance with Good Utility Practice; and (4) provide sufficient

generating capacity to maintain Operating Reserves in accordance with Good Utility Practice. A Control Area must be certified by the NPCC.

Default shall mean the failure of a Party in Breach of this Agreement to cure such Breach in accordance with Article 17 of this Agreement.

Development Agreement shall mean the agreement executed between the NYISO, National Grid, and Transmission Developer concerning the development of the Transmission Project, dated January 10, 2020, as it may be amended from time to time.

Effective Date shall mean the date on which this Agreement becomes effective upon execution by the Parties, subject to acceptance by the Commission, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by the Commission.

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Emergency shall mean any abnormal condition or situation which the Connecting Transmission   
Owner, Transmission Developer, or NYISO, in their sole discretion, deems imminently likely to   
endanger life or property, or adversely affect or impair the New York State Transmission   
System, Connecting Transmission Owner’s electrical system, the Transmission Project, or the   
electrical or transmission systems of others to which they are directly or indirectly connected,   
which requires immediate automatic or manual action to correct. Such an abnormal system   
condition or situation includes, without limitation, overloading or potential overloading   
(exceeding thermal limits of pre- and post-contingency), excessive voltage drop, exceeding   
voltage limits as defined by the NYISO, Transmission Developer, or Connecting Transmission   
Owner, load shedding, voltage reduction, operating reserve deficiencies, frequency deviations,   
over-generation or other non-normal conditions. Economic hardship of a Party will not   
constitute an “Emergency.”

Emergency State shall mean the condition or state that the New York State Power System is in when an abnormal condition occurs that requires automatic or immediate manual action to   
prevent or limit loss of the New York State Transmission System or Generators that could   
adversely affect the reliability of the New York State Power System.

Environmental Law shall mean Applicable Laws and Regulations relating to pollution or protection of the environment or natural resources.

Facilities Study shall mean the study conducted pursuant to Section 22.9 of Attachment P of the ISO OATT to determine a list of facilities required to reliably interconnect the Transmission   
Project (including Network Upgrade Facilities) as identified in the System Impact Study, the cost of those facilities, and the time required to interconnect the Transmission Project with the New York State Transmission System.

Facilities Study Agreement shall mean the agreement described in Section 22.9.1 of Attachment P of the ISO OATT for conducting the Facilities Study.

Federal Power Act shall mean the Federal Power Act, as amended, 16 U.S.C. §§ 791a et seq. (“FPA”).

FERC shall mean the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) or its successor.

Force Majeure shall mean any act of God, labor disturbance, act of the public enemy, war,   
insurrection, riot, fire, storm or flood, explosion, breakage or accident to machinery or   
equipment, any order, regulation or restriction imposed by governmental, military or lawfully   
established civilian authorities, or any other cause beyond a Party’s control. A Force Majeure   
event does not include acts of negligence or intentional wrongdoing by the Party claiming Force   
Majeure.

Good Utility Practice shall mean any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved   
by a significant portion of the electric industry during the relevant time period, or any of the   
practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts   
known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired   
result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and   
expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method,

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or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to delineate acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in the region.

Governmental Authority shall mean any federal, state, local or other governmental regulatory   
or administrative agency, court, commission, department, board, or other governmental   
subdivision, legislature, rulemaking board, tribunal, or other governmental authority having   
jurisdiction over any of the Parties, their respective facilities, or the respective services they   
provide, and exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, police, or taxing   
authority or power; provided, however, that such term does not include Transmission Developer,   
NYISO, Affected Transmission Owner, Connecting Transmission Owner, or any Affiliate   
thereof.

Hazardous Substances shall mean any chemicals, materials or substances defined as or

included in the definition of “hazardous substances,” “hazardous wastes,” “hazardous materials,” “hazardous constituents,” “restricted hazardous materials,” “extremely hazardous substances,” “toxic substances,” “radioactive substances,” “contaminants,” “pollutants,” “toxic pollutants” or words of similar meaning and regulatory effect under any applicable Environmental Law, or any other chemical, material or substance, exposure to which is prohibited, limited or regulated by any applicable Environmental Law.

Initial Synchronization Date(s) shall mean the date(s) upon which the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities, as applicable, are initially synchronized with the New York State Transmission System and upon which Trial Operation begins, which date(s) shall be set forth in the milestones table in Appendix B. The Connecting Transmission Owner or Transmission   
Developer, as applicable, must provide notice of the Initial Synchronization Date(s) to the other Parties in the form of Appendix E-1 to this Agreement.

In-Service Date(s) shall mean the date(s) upon which the Transmission Project and Network

Upgrade Facilities, as applicable, are energized consistent with the provisions of this Agreement and available to provide Transmission Service under the NYISO’s Tariffs, which date(s) shall be set forth in the milestones table in Appendix B. The Connecting Transmission Owner or   
Transmission Developer, as applicable, must provide notice of the In-Service Date(s) to the other Parties in the form of Appendix E-2 to this Agreement.

IRS shall mean the Internal Revenue Service.

Metering Equipment shall mean all metering equipment installed or to be installed at the Transmission Project pursuant to this Agreement, including but not limited to instrument transformers, MWh-meters, data acquisition equipment, transducers, remote terminal unit, communications equipment, phone lines, and fiber optics.

Metering Points shall mean the location(s) identified by the NYISO for any Metering

Equipment associated with the Transmission Project that are required for the Transmission Project to provide zonal or subzonal metering data.

NERC shall mean the North American Electric Reliability Council or its successor organization.

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Network Upgrade Facilities shall mean the least costly configuration of commercially available   
components of electrical equipment that can be used, consistent with Good Utility Practice and   
Applicable Reliability Requirements, to make the modifications or additions to the New York   
State Transmission System that are required for the proposed Transmission Project to connect   
reliably to the system in a manner that meets the NYISO Transmission Interconnection Standard.   
For purposes of this Agreement, the Network Upgrade Facilities are described in Appendix A of   
this Agreement.

New York State Transmission System shall mean the entire New York State electric

transmission system, which includes (i) the Transmission Facilities Under ISO Operational Control; (ii) the Transmission Facilities Requiring ISO Notification; and (iii) all remaining transmission facilities within the New York Control Area.

Notice of Dispute shall mean a written notice of a dispute or claim that arises out of or in connection with this Agreement or its performance.

NPCC shall mean the Northeast Power Coordinating Council or its successor organization.

NYISO Transmission Interconnection Standard shall mean the reliability standard that must be met by any Transmission Project proposing to connect to the New York State Transmission System. The standard is designed to ensure reliable access by the proposed project to the New York State Transmission System.

NYSRC shall mean the New York State Reliability Council or its successor organization.

Operating Agreement shall mean the operating agreement for non-incumbent transmission

owners between the NYISO and Transmission Developer with Service Agreement No. 2271 of the ISO OATT, with an effective date of May 23, 2016, as the agreement may be amended from time to time.

Party or Parties shall mean NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner, or Transmission Developer or any combination of the above.

Point(s) of Change of Ownership shall mean the point(s), as set forth in Appendix C to this Agreement, where the Transmission Developer’s Transmission Project connect to the   
Connecting Transmission Owner’s system.

Point(s) of Interconnection shall mean the point(s), as set forth in Appendix C to this

Agreement, where the Transmission Developer’s Transmission Project connect to the New York State Transmission System.

Reasonable Efforts shall mean, with respect to an action required to be attempted or taken by a   
Party under this Agreement, efforts that are timely and consistent with Good Utility Practice and   
are otherwise substantially equivalent to those a Party would use to protect its own interests.

Security shall mean a bond, irrevocable letter of credit, parent company guarantee or other form   
of security from an entity with an investment grade rating, executed for the benefit of the   
Connecting Transmission Owner, meeting the commercially reasonable requirements of the

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Connecting Transmission Owner with which it is required to be posted pursuant to Article 11.4, and consistent with the Uniform Commercial Code of the jurisdiction identified in Article 14.2.1 of this Agreement.

Services Tariff shall mean the NYISO Market Administration and Control Area Tariff, as filed   
with the Commission, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff   
thereto.

System Impact Study shall mean the study conducted pursuant to Section 22.8 of Attachment P of the ISO OATT that evaluates the impact of the proposed Transmission Project on the safety and reliability of the New York State Transmission System and, if applicable, and Affected   
System, to determine what Network Upgrade Facilities are needed for the proposed   
Transmission Project to connect reliably to the New York State Transmission System in a   
manner that meets the NYISO Transmission Interconnection Standard.

System Impact Study Agreement shall mean the agreement described in Section 22.8.1 of Attachment P of the ISO OATT for conducting the System Impact Study.

System Protection Facilities shall mean the equipment, including necessary protection signal communications equipment, required to (1) protect the New York State Transmission System from faults or other electrical disturbances occurring at the Transmission Project and (2) protect the Transmission Project from faults or other electrical system disturbances occurring on the New York State Transmission System or on other delivery systems or other generating systems to which the New York State Transmission System is directly connected.

Tariff shall mean the NYISO Open Access Transmission Tariff (“OATT”), as filed with the   
Commission, and as amended or supplemented from time to time, or any successor tariff.

Transmission Developer shall mean an entity that proposes to interconnect its Transmission Project to the New York State Transmission System in compliance with the NYISO   
Transmission Interconnection Standard. For purposes of this Agreement, the Transmission Developer is defined in the introductory paragraph.

Transmission Interconnection Application shall mean the Transmission Developer’s request, in the form of Appendix 1 to the Transmission Interconnection Procedures, to interconnect a Transmission Project to the New York State Transmission System.

Transmission Interconnection Procedures (“TIP”) shall mean the interconnection procedures applicable to a Transmission Interconnection Application pertaining to a Transmission Project that are included in Attachment P of the ISO OATT.

Transmission Interconnection Study shall mean any of the following studies: the Optional Feasibility Study, the System Impact Study, and the Facilities Study described in the   
Transmission Interconnection Procedures.

Transmission Project shall mean the Transmission Developer’s proposed transmission facility   
or facilities that collectively satisfy the definition of Transmission Project in Section 22.3.1 of

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Attachment P of the ISO OATT. For purposes of this Agreement, the Transmission Project is described in Appendix C of this Agreement.

Transmission Project Interconnection Agreement shall mean this interconnection agreement applicable to the interconnection of the Transmission Project to the New York State   
Transmission System.

Trial Operation shall mean the period(s) during which Connecting Transmission Owner or

Transmission Developer, as applicable, is engaged in on-site test operations and commissioning of the Transmission Project or Network Upgrade Facilities prior to the In-Service Date.

ARTICLE 2. EFFECTIVE DATE, TERM AND TERMINATION

2.1 Effective Date.

This Agreement shall become effective upon execution by the Parties, subject to

acceptance by FERC, or if filed unexecuted, upon the date specified by FERC. The NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly file this Agreement with FERC upon execution in accordance with Article 3.

2.2 Term of Agreement.

Subject to the provisions of Article 2.3, this Agreement shall remain in effect for a period of forty (40) years from the Effective Date and shall be automatically renewed for each   
successive one-year period thereafter.

2.3 Termination.

2.3.1 Written Notice.

2.3.1.1 Written Notice of Termination

This Agreement may be terminated: (i) by any Party after giving the other Parties ninety

(90) Calendar Days advance written notice following the termination of the Development

Agreement prior to the completion of its term, subject to the suspension requirements in Article

2.3.1.2 below; or (ii) by the mutual agreement in writing of all Parties.

2.3.1.2 Suspension Period for Project Transfer

2.3.1.2.1 If the Development Agreement is terminated prior to the completion of its   
term and the NYISO exercises its right under the Development Agreement and the Tariff to   
request that a developer other than the Transmission Developer complete the Transmission   
Project, this Agreement shall be suspended. The suspension period will last until either: (i) the   
NYISO issues a written determination that the Transmission Project cannot be transferred to   
another developer and will not proceed, or (ii) the Transmission Developer completes the   
assignment of this Agreement to a new developer selected by the NYISO as set forth in Article

2.3.1.2.3. During the suspension period, the running of any advanced notice of termination time

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period pursuant to Article 2.3.1.1 will be paused. The Agreement shall not be terminated during the suspension period without the written agreement of all Parties.

2.3.1.2.2 During the suspension period, the Transmission Developer and Connecting   
Transmission Owner shall suspend all work associated with the construction and installation of   
the Network Upgrade Facilities required for only that Transmission Developer under this   
Agreement with the condition that the New York State Transmission System shall be left in a   
safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the safety and reliability   
criteria of Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. In such event, Transmission Developer   
shall be responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs and/or obligations in accordance with   
this Agreement, including those which Connecting Transmission Owner (i) has incurred pursuant   
to this Agreement prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending such work, including any   
costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and   
property and the integrity of the New York State Transmission System during such suspension   
and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of   
material, equipment and labor contracts which Connecting Transmission Owner cannot   
reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such material,   
equipment or labor contract, Connecting Transmission Owner shall obtain Transmission   
Developer’s authorization to do so, which authorization shall not unreasonably be withheld,   
conditioned or delayed.

2.3.1.2.3 If, pursuant to its Tariff, the NYISO selects a new developer to complete   
the Transmission Project, Transmission Developer shall coordinate with the new developer   
concerning the assignment of this Agreement to the new developer pursuant to the assignment   
requirements in Article 19 of this Agreement. All liabilities under this Agreement existing prior   
to such transfer shall remain with the Transmission Developer, unless otherwise agreed upon by   
the Transmission Developer and the new developer as part of their good faith negotiations   
regarding the transfer.

2.3.2 Default.

Any Party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article 17.

2.3.3 Compliance.

Notwithstanding Articles 2.3.1 and 2.3.2, no termination of this Agreement shall become effective until the Parties have complied with all Applicable Laws and Regulations applicable to such termination, including the filing with FERC of a notice of termination of this Agreement, which notice has been accepted for filing by FERC.

2.4 Termination Costs.

If a Party elects to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Article 2.3.1 above, the

Transmission Developer shall be responsible for all costs that are the responsibility of the

Transmission Developer under this Agreement that are incurred by the Transmission Developer   
or the other Parties through the date, as applicable, of the other Parties’ receipt of a Party’s notice   
of termination or of the Parties’ mutual agreement to terminate the agreement. Such costs

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include any cancellation costs relating to orders or contracts. In the event of termination by the Transmission Developer, all Parties shall use commercially Reasonable Efforts to mitigate the costs, damages and charges arising as a consequence of termination. Upon termination of this Agreement, unless otherwise ordered or approved by FERC:

2.4.1 With respect to any portion of the Network Upgrade Facilities that have not yet been constructed or installed, but that is being relied upon by other projects in the manner   
described in Article 11.5 of this Agreement, Transmission Developer shall forfeit any remaining Security in accordance with the requirements in Article 11.5.

2.4.2 With respect to any portion of the Network Upgrade Facilities that has not yet   
been constructed or installed and is not being relied upon by other projects in the manner   
described in Article 11.5 of this Agreement, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall to the   
extent possible and with Transmission Developer’s authorization cancel any pending orders of,   
or return, any materials or equipment for, or contracts for construction of, such facilities;   
provided that in the event Transmission Developer elects not to authorize such cancellation,   
Transmission Developer shall assume all payment obligations with respect to such materials,   
equipment, and contracts, and the Connecting Transmission Owner shall deliver such material   
and equipment, and, if necessary, assign such contracts, to Transmission Developer as soon as   
practicable, at Transmission Developer’s expense. To the extent that Transmission Developer   
has already paid Connecting Transmission Owner for any or all such costs of materials or   
equipment not taken by Transmission Developer, Connecting Transmission Owner shall   
promptly refund such amounts to Transmission Developer, less any costs, including penalties   
incurred by the Connecting Transmission Owner to cancel any pending orders of or return such   
materials, equipment, or contracts.

2.4.3 Connecting Transmission Owner may, at its option, retain any portion of such

materials, equipment, or facilities that Transmission Developer chooses not to accept delivery of, in which case Connecting Transmission Owner shall be responsible for all costs associated with procuring such materials, equipment, or facilities.

2.4.4 With respect to any portion of the Network Upgrade Facilities, and any other

facilities already installed or constructed pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, Transmission Developer shall be responsible for all costs associated with the removal, relocation or other disposition or retirement of such materials, equipment, or facilities.

2.5 Disconnection.

Upon termination of this Agreement, Transmission Developer and Connecting

Transmission Owner will take all appropriate steps to disconnect the Transmission Developer’s Transmission Project from the New York State Transmission System and to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure that the New York State Transmission System shall be left in a safe and reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the safety and reliability criteria of Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. All costs required to effectuate such disconnection shall be borne by the Transmission Developer, unless such termination resulted from the Connecting Transmission Owner’s Default of this Agreement.

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2.6 Survival.

This Agreement shall continue in effect after termination to the extent necessary to

provide for final billings and payments and for costs incurred hereunder; including billings and payments pursuant to this Agreement and Transmission Developer’s satisfaction of the Security requirements in Article 11.5; to permit the determination and enforcement of liability and   
indemnification obligations arising from acts or events that occurred while this Agreement was in effect; and to permit Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner each to have access to the lands of the other pursuant to this Agreement or other applicable agreements, to disconnect, remove or salvage its own facilities and equipment.

ARTICLE 3. REGULATORY FILINGS

NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall file this Agreement (and any

amendment hereto) with the appropriate Governmental Authority, if required. Any information   
related to studies for interconnection asserted by Transmission Developer to contain Confidential Information shall be treated in accordance with Article 22 of this Agreement and Attachment F   
to the ISO OATT. If the Transmission Developer has executed this Agreement, or any   
amendment thereto, the Transmission Developer shall reasonably cooperate with NYISO and   
Connecting Transmission Owner with respect to such filing and to provide any information   
reasonably requested by NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner needed to comply with   
Applicable Laws and Regulations.

ARTICLE 4. SCOPE OF SERVICE

4.1 Interconnection of Transmission Facilities.

The Transmission Developer’s Transmission Project and the Connecting Transmission   
Owner’s transmission system shall interconnect at the Points of Interconnection set forth in   
Appendix C of this Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

4.2 No Transmission Delivery Service.

The execution of this Agreement does not constitute a request for, nor agreement to provide, any Transmission Service under the ISO OATT, and does not convey any right to deliver electricity to any specific customer or Point of Delivery.

4.3 No Other Services.

The execution of this Agreement does not constitute a request for, nor agreement to provide Energy, any Ancillary Services or Installed Capacity under the NYISO Market Administration and Control Area Services Tariff (“Services Tariff”).

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ARTICLE 5. NETWORK UPGRADE FACILITIES ENGINEERING,   
 PROCUREMENT, AND CONSTRUCTION

5.1 Network Upgrade Facilities

Unless otherwise mutually agreed to by Transmission Developer and Connecting   
Transmission Owner, Transmission Developer shall select the In-Service Date and Initial   
Synchronization Date of the Network Upgrade Facilities, and such dates shall be set forth in   
Appendix B hereto. The Connecting Transmission Owner’s and Transmission Developer’s   
respective obligations to design, procure, construct, install, and own the Network Upgrade   
Facilities shall be set forth in Appendix A hereto. The Connecting Transmission Owner and   
Transmission Developer shall each use Reasonable Efforts to complete the Network Upgrade   
Facilities for which it has construction responsibility by the dates set forth in Appendix B hereto.   
The Connecting Transmission Owner shall not be required to undertake any action which is   
inconsistent with its standard safety practices, its material and equipment specifications, its   
design criteria and construction procedures, its labor agreements, and Applicable Laws and   
Regulations. In the event the Connecting Transmission Owner reasonably expects that it will not   
be able to complete the Network Upgrade Facilities for which it has construction responsibility   
by the specified dates, the Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly provide written notice   
to the Transmission Developer and NYISO, and shall undertake Reasonable Efforts to meet the   
earliest dates thereafter.

5.2 General Conditions Applicable to Network Upgrade Facilities Constructed by

Transmission Developer.

Where Transmission Developer has assumed responsibility for the design, procurement and/or construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities as set forth in Appendix A, the following conditions apply:

5.2.1 Transmission Developer shall engineer, procure equipment, and/or construct the Network Upgrade Facilities (or portions thereof) using Good Utility Practice and using standards and specifications provided in advance by the Connecting Transmission Owner;

5.2.2 Transmission Developer’s engineering, procurement and/or construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities shall comply with all requirements of law to which Connecting Transmission Owner would be subject in the engineering, procurement or construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities;

5.2.3 Connecting Transmission Owner shall review and approve the engineering   
design, equipment acceptance tests, and the construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities;

5.2.4 Prior to commencement of construction, Transmission Developer shall provide to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO a schedule for construction of the Network   
Upgrade Facilities, and shall promptly respond to requests for information from Connecting Transmission Owner or NYISO;

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5.2.5 At any time during construction, Connecting Transmission Owner shall have the   
right to gain unrestricted access to the Network Upgrade Facilities and to conduct inspections of   
the same;

5.2.6 At any time during construction, should any phase of the engineering, equipment   
procurement, or construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities not meet the standards and   
specifications provided by Connecting Transmission Owner, the Transmission Developer shall   
be obligated to remedy deficiencies in that portion of the Network Upgrade Facilities;

5.2.7 Transmission Developer shall indemnify Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO for claims arising from the Transmission Developer’s construction of Network Upgrade Facilities under procedures applicable to Article 18.1 Indemnity;

5.2.8 Transmission Developer shall transfer control of Network Upgrade Facilities to the Connecting Transmission Owner;

5.2.9 Transmission Developer shall transfer ownership of the Network Upgrade Facilities to Connecting Transmission Owner;

5.2.10 Connecting Transmission Owner shall approve and accept for operation and

maintenance the Network Upgrade Facilities to the extent engineered, procured, and constructed in accordance with this Article 5.2;

5.2.11 Transmission Developer shall deliver to NYISO and Connecting Transmission   
Owner “as built” drawings, information, and any other documents that are reasonably required   
by NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner to assure that the Network Upgrade Facilities are   
built to the standards and specifications required by Connecting Transmission Owner; and

5.2.12 Transmission Developer shall be responsible for the costs that Connecting Transmission Owner incurs in executing the responsibilities enumerated to Connecting Transmission Owner under Article 5.2. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall invoice Transmission Developer for such costs pursuant to Article 12.

5.3 Equipment Procurement.

The Connecting Transmission Owner shall commence design of the Network Upgrade   
Facilities for which it has construction responsibility, as set forth in Appendix A, and procure   
necessary equipment as soon as practicable after all of the following conditions are satisfied,   
unless the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner otherwise agree in   
writing:

5.3.1 NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner have completed the Facilities Study pursuant to the Facilities Study Agreement;

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5.3.2 The NYISO has completed the required cost allocation analyses, and

Transmission Developer has provided Security to the Connecting Transmission Owner in accordance with Article 11.4 by the date specified in Appendix B hereto; and

5.3.3 The Connecting Transmission Owner has received written authorization to

proceed with design and procurement from the Transmission Developer by the date specified in Appendix B hereto.

5.4 Construction Commencement.

The Connecting Transmission Owner shall commence construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities for which it has construction responsibility, as set forth in Appendix A, as soon as practicable after the following additional conditions are satisfied:

5.4.1 Approval of the appropriate Governmental Authority has been obtained for any facilities requiring regulatory approval;

5.4.2 Necessary real property rights and rights-of-way have been obtained, to the extent required for the construction of a discrete aspect of the Network Upgrade Facilities;

5.4.3 The Connecting Transmission Owner has received written authorization to

proceed with construction from the Transmission Developer by the date specified in Appendix B hereto; and

5.4.4 The Transmission Developer has provided Security to the Connecting

Transmission Owner in accordance with Article 11.4 by the dates specified in Appendix B   
hereto.

5.5 Work Progress.

The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner will keep each other, and NYISO, advised periodically as to the progress of their respective design, procurement and construction efforts of the Transmission Project and the Network Upgrade Facilities. Any Party may, at any time, request a progress report from the Transmission Developer or Connecting   
Transmission Owner.

5.6 Information Exchange.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date, the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall exchange information, and provide NYISO the same information, regarding the design and compatibility of the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities and the compatibility of the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade   
Facilities with the New York State Transmission System, and shall work diligently and in good faith to make any necessary design changes.

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5.7 Network Upgrade Facilities

Transmission Developer shall submit initial and final specifications for the Network   
Upgrade Facilities for which it is responsible pursuant to Appendix A to Connecting   
Transmission Owner and NYISO for review and comments pursuant to the dates set forth in   
Appendix B. Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO shall review such specifications to   
ensure that the Network Upgrade Facilities are compatible with the technical specifications,   
operational control, and safety requirements of the Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO   
and comment on such specifications pursuant to the dates set forth in Appendix B. All   
specifications provided hereunder shall be deemed to be Confidential Information.

The review of Transmission Developer’s final specifications by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO shall not be construed as confirming, endorsing, or providing a warranty as to the design, fitness, safety, durability or reliability of the Transmission Project or Network   
Upgrade Facilities. Transmission Developer shall make such changes to the Network Upgrade Facilities as may reasonably be required by Connecting Transmission Owner or NYISO, in   
accordance with Good Utility Practice, to ensure that the Network Upgrade Facilities are   
compatible with the technical specifications, operational control, and safety requirements of   
Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO.

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall design and construct the Network Upgrade Facilities for which each is responsible pursuant to Appendix A in   
accordance with Good Utility Practice and the Connecting Transmission Owner’s standards and specifications. Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each deliver to the other Parties pursuant to the dates set forth in Appendix B “as-built” drawings, information and documents for the Network Upgrade Facilities.

The Connecting Transmission Owner shall transfer operational control of the Network Upgrade Facilities at a voltage of 345 kV upon completion of such facilities, but shall not   
transfer operational control of Network Upgrade Facilities of a voltage of less than 345 kV to the NYISO upon completion of such facilities.

5.8 Access Rights.

Upon reasonable notice and supervision by a Granting Party, and subject to any required   
or necessary regulatory approvals, the Connecting Transmission Owner and Transmission   
Developer (each a “Granting Party”) shall each furnish to the other Parties (“Access Party”) at no   
cost any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements with respect to lands owned or   
controlled by the Granting Party, its agents (if allowed under the applicable agency agreement),   
or any Affiliate, that are necessary to enable the Access Party to obtain ingress and egress at the   
Point(s) of Interconnection, or any other necessary point to construct, operate, maintain, repair,   
test (or witness testing), inspect, replace or remove facilities and equipment to: (i) interconnect   
the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities with the New York State Transmission   
System; (ii) operate and maintain the Transmission Project, Network Upgrade Facilities, and the   
New York State Transmission System; and (iii) disconnect or remove the Access Party’s   
facilities and equipment upon termination of this Agreement. In exercising such licenses, rights   
of way and easements, the Access Party shall not unreasonably disrupt or interfere with normal

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operation of the Granting Party’s business and shall adhere to the safety rules and procedures

established in advance, as may be changed from time to time, by the Granting Party and provided   
to the Access Party. The Access Party shall indemnify the Granting Party against all claims of   
injury or damage from third parties resulting from the exercise of the access rights provided for   
herein.

5.9 Lands of Other Property Owners.

If any part of the Network Upgrade Facilities is to be installed on property owned by

persons other than Transmission Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner, the Connecting   
Transmission Owner shall at Transmission Developer’s expense use efforts, similar in nature and   
extent to those that it typically undertakes for its own or affiliated generation, including use of its   
eminent domain authority, and to the extent consistent with state law, to procure from such   
persons any rights of use, licenses, rights of way and easements that are necessary to construct,   
operate, maintain, test, inspect, replace or remove the Network Upgrade Facilities upon such   
property.

5.10 Permits.

NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner and the Transmission Developer shall

cooperate with each other in good faith in obtaining all permits, licenses and authorizations that   
are necessary to accomplish the interconnection in compliance with Applicable Laws and   
Regulations. With respect to this paragraph, Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide   
permitting assistance to the Transmission Developer comparable to that provided to the   
Connecting Transmission Owner’s own, or an Affiliate’s, generation or transmission facilities, if   
any.

5.11 Suspension.

Transmission Developer reserves the right, upon written notice to Connecting

Transmission Owner and NYISO, to suspend at any time all work by Transmission Developer   
and Connecting Transmission Owner associated with the construction and installation of the   
Network Upgrade Facilities required for only that Transmission Developer under this Agreement   
with the condition that the New York State Transmission System shall be left in a safe and   
reliable condition in accordance with Good Utility Practice and the safety and reliability criteria   
of Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. If the suspension will impact the Transmission   
Developer’s ability to meet any Advisory Milestones or Critical Path Milestones in the   
Development Agreement, Transmission Developer shall notify the NYISO in accordance with   
the requirements in Article 3.3 of the Development Agreement. NYISO reserves the right, upon   
written notice to Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner, to require the   
suspension of all work by Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner   
associated with the engineering, procurement, and/or construction services under this Agreement   
if the NYISO terminates the Development Agreement pursuant to Article 8 of the Development   
Agreement.

In the event of suspension under this Article 5.10, Transmission Developer shall be

responsible for all reasonable and necessary costs and/or obligations in accordance with the ISO

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OATT and the Facilities Study report including those which Connecting Transmission Owner (i) has incurred pursuant to this Agreement prior to the suspension and (ii) incurs in suspending   
such work, including any costs incurred to perform such work as may be necessary to ensure the safety of persons and property and the integrity of the New York State Transmission System   
during such suspension and, if applicable, any costs incurred in connection with the cancellation or suspension of material, equipment and labor contracts which Connecting Transmission Owner cannot reasonably avoid; provided, however, that prior to canceling or suspending any such   
material, equipment or labor contract, Connecting Transmission Owner shall obtain   
Transmission Developer’s authorization to do so.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall invoice Transmission Developer for such costs   
pursuant to Article 12 and shall use due diligence to minimize its costs. In the event   
Transmission Developer suspends work by the Transmission Developer and Connecting   
Transmission Owner required under this Agreement pursuant to this Article 5.10, and has not   
informed the Parties that it is recommencing its work and requested Connecting Transmission   
Owner to recommence its work required under this Agreement on or before the expiration of   
three (3) years following commencement of such suspension, this Agreement shall be deemed   
terminated. The three-year period shall begin on the date of the written notice required under   
this Article 5.11 or the date specified in the written notice of suspension.

5.12 Taxes.

5.12.1 Developer Payments Not Taxable.

The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner intend that all

payments or property transfers made by Transmission Developer to Connecting Transmission   
Owner for the installation of the Network Upgrade Facilities shall be non-taxable, either as   
contributions to capital, or as an advance, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Code and any   
applicable state income tax laws and shall not be taxable as contributions in aid of construction   
or otherwise under the Internal Revenue Code and any applicable state income tax laws.

5.12.2 Representations and Covenants.

In accordance with IRS Notice 2001-82 and IRS Notice 88-129, Transmission Developer   
represents and covenants that (i) ownership of the electricity generated at the Large Generating   
Facility will pass to another party prior to the transmission of the electricity on the New York   
State Transmission System, (ii) for income tax purposes, the amount of any payments and the   
cost of any property transferred to the Connecting Transmission Owner for the Network Upgrade   
Facilities will be capitalized by Transmission Developer as an intangible asset and recovered   
using the straight-line method over a useful life of twenty (20) years, and (iii) any portion of the   
Network Upgrade Facility that is a “dual-use intertie,” within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129,   
is reasonably expected to carry only a de minimis amount of electricity in the direction of the   
Transmission Project. For this purpose, “de minimis amount” means no more than 5 percent of   
the total power flows in both directions, calculated in accordance with the “5 percent test” set   
forth in IRS Notice 88-129. This is not intended to be an exclusive list of the relevant conditions   
that must be met to conform to IRS requirements for non-taxable treatment.

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At Connecting Transmission Owner’s request, Transmission Developer shall provide Connecting Transmission Owner with a report from an independent engineer confirming its representation in clause (iii), above. Connecting Transmission Owner represents and covenants that the cost of the Network Upgrade Facilities paid for by Transmission Developer will have no net effect on the base upon which rates are determined.

5.12.3 Indemnification for the Cost Consequences of Current Tax Liability Imposed   
 Upon the Connecting Transmission Owner.

Notwithstanding Article 5.12.1, Transmission Developer shall protect, indemnify and hold harmless Connecting Transmission Owner from the cost consequences of any current tax liability imposed against Connecting Transmission Owner as the result of payments or property transfers made by Transmission Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under this   
Agreement, as well as any interest and penalties, other than interest and penalties attributable to any delay caused by Connecting Transmission Owner.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall not include a gross-up for the cost consequences   
of any current tax liability in the amounts it charges Transmission Developer under this   
Agreement unless (i) Connecting Transmission Owner has determined, in good faith, that the   
payments or property transfers made by Transmission Developer to Connecting Transmission   
Owner should be reported as income subject to taxation or (ii) any Governmental Authority   
directs Connecting Transmission Owner to report payments or property as income subject to   
taxation; provided, however, that Connecting Transmission Owner may require Transmission   
Developer to provide security, in a form reasonably acceptable to Connecting Transmission   
Owner (such as a parental guarantee or a letter of credit), in an amount equal to the cost   
consequences of any current tax liability under this Article 5.12. Transmission Developer shall   
reimburse Connecting Transmission Owner for such costs on a fully grossed-up basis, in   
accordance with Article 5.12.4, within thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving written notification   
from Connecting Transmission Owner of the amount due, including detail about how the amount   
was calculated.

This indemnification obligation shall terminate at the earlier of (1) the expiration of the ten-year testing period and the applicable statute of limitation, as it may be extended by the Connecting Transmission Owner upon request of the IRS, to keep these years open for audit or adjustment, or (2) the occurrence of a subsequent taxable event and the payment of any related indemnification obligations as contemplated by this Article 5.12.

5.12.4 Tax Gross-Up Amount.

Transmission Developer’s liability for the cost consequences of any current tax liability   
under this Article 5.12 shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis. Except as may otherwise   
be agreed to by the parties, this means that Transmission Developer will pay Connecting   
Transmission Owner, in addition to the amount paid for the Network Upgrade Facilities, an   
amount equal to (1) the current taxes imposed on Connecting Transmission Owner (“Current   
Taxes”) on the excess of (a) the gross income realized by Connecting Transmission Owner as a   
result of payments or property transfers made by Transmission Developer to Connecting   
Transmission Owner under this Agreement (without regard to any payments under this Article

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5.12) (the “Gross Income Amount”) over (b) the present value of future tax deductions for

depreciation that will be available as a result of such payments or property transfers (the “Present Value Depreciation Amount”), plus (2) an additional amount sufficient to permit the Connecting Transmission Owner to receive and retain, after the payment of all Current Taxes, an amount equal to the net amount described in clause (1).

For this purpose, (i) Current Taxes shall be computed based on Connecting Transmission   
Owner’s composite federal and state tax rates at the time the payments or property transfers are   
received and Connecting Transmission Owner will be treated as being subject to tax at the   
highest marginal rates in effect at that time (the “Current Tax Rate”), and (ii) the Present Value   
Depreciation Amount shall be computed by discounting Connecting Transmission Owner’s   
anticipated tax depreciation deductions as a result of such payments or property transfers by   
Connecting Transmission Owner’s current weighted average cost of capital. Thus, the formula   
for calculating Transmission Developer’s liability to Connecting Transmission Owner pursuant   
to this Article 5.12.4 can be expressed as follows: (Current Tax Rate x (Gross Income Amount -  
Present Value Depreciation Amount))/(1 - Current Tax Rate). Transmission Developer’s   
estimated tax liability in the event taxes are imposed shall be stated in Appendix A.

5.12.5 Private Letter Ruling or Change or Clarification of Law.

At Transmission Developer’s request and expense, Connecting Transmission Owner shall file with the IRS a request for a private letter ruling as to whether any property transferred or sums paid, or to be paid, by Transmission Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under this Agreement are subject to federal income taxation. Transmission Developer will prepare the initial draft of the request for a private letter ruling, and will certify under penalties of perjury that all facts represented in such request are true and accurate to the best of Transmission   
Developer’s knowledge. Connecting Transmission Owner and Transmission Developer shall cooperate in good faith with respect to the submission of such request.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall keep Transmission Developer fully informed of   
the status of such request for a private letter ruling and shall execute either a privacy act waiver   
or a limited power of attorney, in a form acceptable to the IRS, that authorizes Transmission   
Developer to participate in all discussions with the IRS regarding such request for a private letter   
ruling. Connecting Transmission Owner shall allow Transmission Developer to attend all   
meetings with IRS officials about the request and shall permit Transmission Developer to   
prepare the initial drafts of any follow-up letters in connection with the request.

5.12.6 Subsequent Taxable Events.

If, within 10 years from the date on which the relevant Network Upgrade Facilities are   
placed in service, (i) Transmission Developer Breaches the covenants contained in Article

5.12.2, (ii) a “disqualification event” occurs within the meaning of IRS Notice 88-129, or (iii)   
this Agreement terminates and Connecting Transmission Owner retains ownership of the   
Network Upgrade Facilities, the Transmission Developer shall pay a tax gross-up for the cost   
consequences of any current tax liability imposed on Connecting Transmission Owner,

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calculated using the methodology described in Article 5.12.4 and in accordance with IRS Notice   
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5.12.7 Contests.

In the event any Governmental Authority determines that Connecting Transmission

Owner’s receipt of payments or property constitutes income that is subject to taxation,

Connecting Transmission Owner shall notify Transmission Developer, in writing, within thirty

(30) Calendar Days of receiving notification of such determination by a Governmental

Authority. Upon the timely written request by Transmission Developer and at Transmission

Developer’s sole expense, Connecting Transmission Owner may appeal, protest, seek abatement   
of, or otherwise oppose such determination. Upon Transmission Developer’s written request and   
sole expense, Connecting Transmission Owner may file a claim for refund with respect to any   
taxes paid under this Article 5.12, whether or not it has received such a determination.   
Connecting Transmission Owner reserves the right to make all decisions with regard to the   
prosecution of such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest, including the selection of counsel   
and compromise or settlement of the claim, but Connecting Transmission Owner shall keep   
Transmission Developer informed, shall consider in good faith suggestions from Transmission   
Developer about the conduct of the contest, and shall reasonably permit Transmission Developer   
or a Transmission Developer representative to attend contest proceedings.

Transmission Developer shall pay to Connecting Transmission Owner on a periodic   
basis, as invoiced by Connecting Transmission Owner, Connecting Transmission Owner’s   
documented reasonable costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement or other contest,   
including any costs associated with obtaining the opinion of independent tax counsel described   
in this Article 5.12.7. The Connecting Transmission Owner may abandon any contest if the   
Transmission Developer fails to provide payment to the Connecting Transmission Owner within   
thirty (30) Calendar Days of receiving such invoice. At any time during the contest, Connecting   
Transmission Owner may agree to a settlement either with Transmission Developer’s consent or   
after obtaining written advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel, selected by Connecting   
Transmission Owner, but reasonably acceptable to Transmission Developer, that the proposed   
settlement represents a reasonable settlement given the hazards of litigation. Transmission   
Developer’s obligation shall be based on the amount of the settlement agreed to by Transmission   
Developer, or if a higher amount, so much of the settlement that is supported by the written   
advice from nationally-recognized tax counsel selected under the terms of the preceding   
sentence. The settlement amount shall be calculated on a fully grossed-up basis to cover any   
related cost consequences of the current tax liability. The Connecting Transmission Owner may   
also settle any tax controversy without receiving the Transmission Developer’s consent or any   
such written advice; however, any such settlement will relieve the Transmission Developer from   
any obligation to indemnify Connecting Transmission Owner for the tax at issue in the contest   
(unless the failure to obtain written advice is attributable to the Transmission Developer’s   
unreasonable refusal to the appointment of independent tax counsel).

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5.12.8 Refund.

In the event that (a) a private letter ruling is issued to Connecting Transmission Owner   
which holds that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Transmission   
Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under the terms of this Agreement is not subject   
to federal income taxation, (b) any legislative change or administrative announcement, notice,   
ruling or other determination makes it reasonably clear to Connecting Transmission Owner in   
good faith that any amount paid or the value of any property transferred by Transmission   
Developer to Connecting Transmission Owner under the terms of this Agreement is not taxable   
to Connecting Transmission Owner, (c) any abatement, appeal, protest, or other contest results in   
a determination that any payments or transfers made by Transmission Developer to Connecting   
Transmission Owner are not subject to federal income tax, or (d) if Connecting Transmission   
Owner receives a refund from any taxing authority for any overpayment of tax attributable to any   
payment or property transfer made by Transmission Developer to Connecting Transmission   
Owner pursuant to this Agreement, Connecting Transmission Owner shall promptly refund to   
Transmission Developer the following:

(i) Any payment made by Transmission Developer under this Article 5.12 for taxes   
that is attributable to the amount determined to be non-taxable, together with interest thereon,

(ii) Interest on any amounts paid by Transmission Developer to Connecting

Transmission Owner for such taxes which Connecting Transmission Owner did not submit to the   
taxing authority, calculated in accordance with the methodology set forth in FERC’s regulations   
at 18 C.F.R. §35.19a(a)(2)(iii) from the date payment was made by Transmission Developer to   
the date Connecting Transmission Owner refunds such payment to Transmission Developer, and

(iii) With respect to any such taxes paid by Connecting Transmission Owner, any   
refund or credit Connecting Transmission Owner receives or to which it may be entitled from   
any Governmental Authority, interest (or that portion thereof attributable to the payment   
described in clause (i), above) owed to the Connecting Transmission Owner for such   
overpayment of taxes (including any reduction in interest otherwise payable by Connecting   
Transmission Owner to any Governmental Authority resulting from an offset or credit);   
provided, however, that Connecting Transmission Owner will remit such amount promptly to   
Transmission Developer only after and to the extent that Connecting Transmission Owner has   
received a tax refund, credit or offset from any Governmental Authority for any applicable   
overpayment of income tax related to the Network Upgrade Facilities.

The intent of this provision is to leave both the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner, to the extent practicable, in the event that no taxes are due with respect to any payment for Network Upgrade Facilities hereunder, in the same position they would have been in had no such tax payments been made.

5.12.9 Taxes Other Than Income Taxes.

Upon the timely request by Transmission Developer, and at Transmission Developer’s   
sole expense, Connecting Transmission Owner shall appeal, protest, seek abatement of, or

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otherwise contest any tax (other than federal or state income tax) asserted or assessed against   
Connecting Transmission Owner for which Transmission Developer may be required to   
reimburse Connecting Transmission Owner under the terms of this Agreement. Transmission   
Developer shall pay to Connecting Transmission Owner on a periodic basis, as invoiced by   
Connecting Transmission Owner, Connecting Transmission Owner’s documented reasonable   
costs of prosecuting such appeal, protest, abatement, or other contest. Transmission Developer   
and Connecting Transmission Owner shall cooperate in good faith with respect to any such   
contest. Unless the payment of such taxes is a prerequisite to an appeal or abatement or cannot   
be deferred, no amount shall be payable by Transmission Developer to Connecting Transmission   
Owner for such taxes until they are assessed by a final, non-appealable order by any court or   
agency of competent jurisdiction. In the event that a tax payment is withheld and ultimately due   
and payable after appeal, Transmission Developer will be responsible for all taxes, interest and   
penalties, other than penalties attributable to any delay caused by Connecting Transmission   
Owner.

5.13 Tax Status; Non-Jurisdictional Entities.

5.13.1 Tax Status.

Each Party shall cooperate with the other Parties to maintain the other Parties’ tax status. Nothing in this Agreement is intended to adversely affect the tax status of any Party including the status of NYISO, or the status of any Connecting Transmission Owner with respect to the issuance of bonds including, but not limited to, Local Furnishing Bonds.

5.14 Modification.

5.14.1 General.

If, prior to the In-Service Date of the Transmission Project or Network Upgrade

Facilities, either the Transmission Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner proposes to   
modify the Transmission Project or Network Upgrade Facilities, they must inform the other   
Parties of the proposed modification and must satisfy the requirements for such modifications in

(i) Section 22.5.4 of Attachment P to the ISO OATT, and (ii) the Development Agreement. The Transmission Developer shall be responsible for the cost of any such additional modifications, including the cost of studying the materiality and impact of the modification.

Following the In-Service Date of the Transmission Project or Network Upgrade

Facilities, either the Transmission Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner may undertake   
modifications to its facilities covered by this Agreement. If either the Transmission Developer   
or Connecting Transmission Owner plans to undertake a modification that reasonably may be   
expected to affect the other Party’s facilities, that Party shall provide to the other Party, and to   
NYISO, sufficient information regarding such modification so that the other Party and NYISO   
may evaluate the potential impact of such modification prior to commencement of the work.

Such information shall be deemed to be Confidential Information hereunder and shall include   
information concerning the timing of such modifications and whether such modifications are   
expected to interrupt the transmission of electricity at the Point(s) of Interconnection. The Party   
desiring to perform such work shall provide the relevant drawings, plans, and specifications to

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the other Party and NYISO at least ninety (90) Calendar Days in advance of the commencement of construction regarding such work or such shorter period upon which the Parties may agree, which agreement shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned or delayed.

5.14.2 Standards.

Any additions, modifications, or replacements made to a Party’s facilities shall be

designed, constructed and operated in accordance with this Agreement, NYISO requirements and Good Utility Practice.

5.14.3 Modification Costs.

Transmission Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner, as applicable, shall not be   
assigned the costs of any additions, modifications, or replacements that the other Party makes to   
the New York State Transmission System to facilitate the interconnection of a third party to the   
New York State Transmission System, or to provide Transmission Service to a third party under   
the ISO OATT, except in accordance with the cost allocation procedures in Attachment S of the   
ISO OATT.

ARTICLE 6. TESTING AND INSPECTION

6.1 Pre-In-Service Date Testing and Modifications.

Prior to the In-Service Date of the Transmission Project or Network Upgrade Facilities,   
as applicable, the Connecting Transmission Owner or Transmission Developer, as specified in   
Appendix A, shall test the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities in accordance   
with Connecting Transmission Owner’s specifications to ensure their safe and reliable operation.   
Similar testing may be required after initial operation. Transmission Developer and Connecting   
Transmission Owner shall each make any modifications to its facilities that are found to be

necessary as a result of such testing. Transmission Developer shall bear the cost of all such

testing and modifications. Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall coordinate with NYISO prior to performing the testing of the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities and prior to the facilities entering into service.

6.2 Post-In-Service Date Testing and Modifications.

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each at its own

expense perform routine inspection and testing of its facilities and equipment in accordance with   
Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Standards as may be necessary to ensure the   
continued interconnection of the Transmission Project with the New York State Transmission   
System in a safe and reliable manner. Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission   
Owner shall each have the right, upon advance written notice, to require reasonable additional   
testing of the other Party’s facilities, at the requesting Party’s expense, as may be in accordance   
with Good Utility Practice.

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6.3 Right to Observe Testing.

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each notify the other Party, and the NYISO, in advance of its performance of tests of the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities. The other Party, and the NYISO, shall each have the right, at its own expense, to observe such testing.

6.4 Right to Inspect.

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each have the right,   
but shall have no obligation to: (i) observe the other Party’s tests and/or inspection of any of its   
System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; (ii) review the settings of the other   
Party’s System Protection Facilities and other protective equipment; and (iii) review the other   
Party’s maintenance records relative to the System Protection Facilities and other protective   
equipment. NYISO shall have these same rights of inspection as to the facilities and equipment   
of Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner. A Party may exercise these   
rights from time to time as it deems necessary upon reasonable notice to the other Party. The   
exercise or non-exercise by a Party of any such rights shall not be construed as an endorsement   
or confirmation of any element or condition of the System Protection Facilities or other   
protective equipment or the operation thereof, or as a warranty as to the fitness, safety,   
desirability, or reliability of same. Any information that a Party obtains through the exercise of   
any of its rights under this Article 6.4 shall be treated in accordance with Article 22 of this   
Agreement and Attachment F to the ISO OATT.

ARTICLE 7. METERING

7.1 General.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall be responsible for the metering at any Metering   
Points identified by the NYISO in connection with the interconnection of the Transmission   
Project with Connecting Transmission Owner’s system in accordance with the requirements in   
this Article 7. Connecting Transmission Owner and/or Transmission Developer shall, as such   
responsibilities are specified in Appendix A of this Agreement, procure and install any required   
Metering Equipment prior to any operation of the Transmission Project. Connecting   
Transmission Owner shall own, operate, test, maintain, and, if directed by the NYISO, relocate   
such Metering Equipment in accordance with ISO Procedures, as such requirements are amended   
from time to time. Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide the NYISO with metering data   
in accordance with the metering requirements set forth in this Agreement, the NYISO Tariffs,   
and ISO Procedures, as such requirements are amended from time to time. Transmission   
Developer shall bear all reasonable documented costs associated with the purchase, and   
installation of the Metering Equipment.

7.2 Check Meters.

Transmission Developer, at its option and expense, may install and operate, on its

premises and on its side of the Points of Interconnection, one or more check meters to check

Connecting Transmission Owner’s meters. Such check meters shall be for check purposes only   
and shall not be used for the measurement of power flows for purposes of this Agreement, except

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as provided in Article 7.4 below. The installation, operation and maintenance thereof shall be   
performed entirely by Transmission Developer in accordance with Good Utility Practice.

7.3 Standards.

Connecting Transmission Owner and Transmission Developer shall, as such

responsibilities are specified in Appendix A of this Agreement, install, calibrate, and test revenue quality Metering Equipment including potential transformers and current transformers in   
accordance with ISO Procedures, as such requirements are amended from time to time.

7.4 Testing of Metering Equipment.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall inspect and test all of its Metering Equipment

upon installation and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. If required by ISO Procedures,   
Connecting Transmission Owner shall, at its own expense, inspect or test Metering Equipment   
more frequently than every two (2) years. Connecting Transmission Owner shall give reasonable   
notice of the time when any inspection or test shall take place, and NYISO and Transmission   
Developer may have representatives present at the test or inspection. If at any time Metering   
Equipment is found to be inaccurate or defective, it shall be adjusted, repaired or replaced at   
Connecting Transmission Owner’s expense in order to provide accurate metering. Connecting   
Transmission Owner and NYISO shall address the loss of meter data or meter data anomalies in   
accordance with ISO Procedures. The NYISO shall reserve the right to review all associated   
metering equipment installation on the Transmission Developer’s or Connecting Transmission   
Owner’s property at any time.

7.5 Metering Data.

At Connecting Transmission Owner’s expense, the metered data shall be telemetered to   
one or more locations designated by NYISO. Such telemetered data shall be used, under normal   
operating conditions, as the official measurement of the amount of energy at the Metering Points.

ARTICLE 8. COMMUNICATIONS

8.1 Transmission Developer Obligations.

Transmission Developer shall maintain satisfactory operating communications, including   
providing analog and digital real-time telemetry, with Connecting Transmission Owner and   
NYISO in accordance with the requirements in this Agreement, the Operating Agreement   
(including Section 2.05, Local Control Center, Metering and Telemetry), NYISO Tariffs, and   
ISO Procedures, as such requirements are amended from time to time. Transmission Developer   
shall provide standard voice line, dedicated voice line and facsimile communications at its   
control center for the Transmission Project through use of either the public telephone system, or   
a voice communications system that does not rely on the public telephone system. Transmission   
Developer shall also provide the dedicated data circuit(s) necessary to provide Transmission   
Developer data to Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO as set forth in Appendix D   
hereto. The data circuit(s) shall extend from the Transmission Project to the location(s) specified   
by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO. Any required maintenance of such   
communications equipment shall be performed by Transmission Developer. Operational

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communications shall be activated and maintained under, but not be limited to, the following events: system paralleling or separation, scheduled and unscheduled shutdowns, equipment clearances, and hourly and daily load data.

8.2 Remote Terminal Unit.

Prior to the Initial Synchronization Date of the Transmission Project, a Remote Terminal   
Unit, or equivalent data collection and transfer equipment acceptable to the Parties, shall be   
installed by Transmission Developer, or by Connecting Transmission Owner at Transmission   
Developer’s expense, to gather accumulated and instantaneous data to be telemetered to the   
location(s) designated by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO through use of a   
dedicated point-to-point data circuit(s) as indicated in Article 8.1. The communication protocol   
for the data circuit(s) shall be specified by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO.   
Instantaneous bi-directional analog real power and reactive power flow information must be   
telemetered directly to the location(s) specified by Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO.

Each Party will promptly advise the appropriate other Party if it detects or otherwise learns of any metering, telemetry or communications equipment errors or malfunctions that require the attention and/or correction by that other Party. The Party owning such equipment shall correct such error or malfunction as soon as reasonably feasible.

8.3 No Annexation.

Any and all equipment placed on the premises of a Party shall be and remain the property of the Party providing such equipment regardless of the mode and manner of annexation or   
attachment to real property, unless otherwise mutually agreed by the Party providing such   
equipment and the Party receiving such equipment.

ARTICLE 9. OPERATIONS

9.1 General.

Each Party shall comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable

Reliability Standards. Each Party shall provide to the other Parties all information that may

reasonably be required by the other Parties to comply with Applicable Laws and Regulations and Applicable Reliability Standards. Connecting Transmission Owner or Transmission Developer, as applicable, shall provide the NYISO with notifications of all of its power system equipment additions or modifications in accordance with ISO Procedures, including the NYISO’s   
Reliability Analysis Data Manual (Manual 24).

9.2 NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner Obligations.

Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO shall cause the New York State

Transmission System to be operated, maintained and controlled in a safe and reliable manner in   
accordance with this Agreement and the NYISO Tariffs. Connecting Transmission Owner and   
NYISO may provide operating instructions to Transmission Developer consistent with this   
Agreement, NYISO procedures and Connecting Transmission Owner’s operating protocols and   
procedures as they may change from time to time. Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO

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will consider changes to their respective operating protocols and procedures proposed by Transmission Developer.

9.3 Transmission Developer Obligations.

Transmission Developer shall at its own expense operate, maintain and control the

Transmission Project in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this Agreement, the NYISO Tariffs, ISO Procedures, and the Operating Agreement. Transmission Developer shall operate the Transmission Project in accordance with NYISO and Connecting Transmission   
Owner requirements, as such requirements are set forth or referenced in Appendix C hereto. Appendix C will be modified to reflect changes to the requirements as they may change from time to time. Any Party may request that the appropriate other Party or Parties provide copies of the requirements set forth or referenced in Appendix C hereto.

9.4 Outages and Interruptions.

9.4.1 Outages.

9.4.1.1 Outage Authority and Coordination.

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner may each, in accordance   
with NYISO procedures and Good Utility Practice and in coordination with the other Party,   
remove from service any of its Transmission Project facilities or Network Upgrade Facilities that   
may impact the other Party’s facilities as necessary to perform maintenance or testing or to   
install or replace equipment. Absent an Emergency or Emergency State, the Party scheduling a   
removal of such facility(ies) from service will use Reasonable Efforts to schedule such removal   
on a date and time mutually acceptable to both the Transmission Developer and the Connecting   
Transmission Owner. In all circumstances either Party planning to remove such facility(ies)   
from service shall use Reasonable Efforts to minimize the effect on the other Party of such   
removal.

9.4.1.2 Outage Schedules.

The Transmission Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner, as applicable, and

pursuant to ISO Procedures, shall post scheduled outages of its respective transmission facilities on the NYISO OASIS.

9.4.1.3 Outage Restoration.

If an outage on the Transmission Project or Network Upgrade Facilities adversely affects the other Party’s operations or facilities, the Party that owns the facility that is out of service shall use Reasonable Efforts to promptly restore such facility(ies) to a normal operating   
condition consistent with the nature of the outage. The Party that owns the facility that is out of service shall provide the other Party and NYISO, to the extent such information is known,   
information on the nature of the Emergency or Emergency State, an estimated time of   
restoration, and any corrective actions required. Initial verbal notice shall be followed up as soon as practicable with written notice explaining the nature of the outage.

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9.4.2 Interruption of Service. If required by Good Utility Practice or Applicable   
Reliability Standards to do so, the NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner, or Transmission Developer may require the Connecting Transmission Owner or Transmission Developer to   
interrupt the transmission of electricity if such transmission of electricity could adversely affect the ability of NYISO and, as applicable, Connecting Transmission Owner or Transmission   
Developer to perform such activities as are necessary to safely and reliably operate and maintain the New York State Transmission System. The following provisions shall apply to any   
interruption permitted under this Article 9.4.2:

9.4.2.1 The interruption shall continue only for so long as reasonably necessary under Good Utility Practice;

9.4.2.2 When the interruption must be made under circumstances which do not   
allow for advance notice, NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner, or Transmission Owner   
shall notify, as applicable, Transmission Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner by   
telephone as soon as practicable of the reasons for the curtailment or interruption, and, if known,   
its expected duration. Telephone notification shall be followed by written notification as soon as   
practicable;

9.4.2.3 Except during the existence of an Emergency or Emergency State, when   
the interruption can be scheduled without advance notice, NYISO, Connecting Transmission   
Owner, or Transmission Developer shall notify, as applicable, Transmission Developer or   
Connecting Transmission Owner in advance regarding the timing of such scheduling and of the   
expected duration. The Parties shall coordinate with each other using Good Utility Practice to   
schedule the interruption during periods of least impact to the Transmission Developer, the   
Connecting Transmission Owner and the New York State Transmission System;

9.4.2.4 The Parties shall cooperate and coordinate with each other to the extent

necessary in order to restore the Transmission Project, Network Upgrade Facilities, and the New York State Transmission System to their normal operating state, consistent with system   
conditions and Good Utility Practice.

9.4.3 System Protection and Other Control Requirements.

9.4.3.1 System Protection Facilities. Transmission Developer shall, at its

expense, install, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities as a part of the Transmission Project. Connecting Transmission Owner shall install at Transmission Developer’s expense any System Protection Facilities that may be required on the New York State Transmission System as a result of the interconnection of the Transmission Project.

9.4.3.2 The protection facilities of both the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall be designed and coordinated with other systems in accordance with Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Standards.

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9.4.3.3 The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each be responsible for protection of its respective facilities consistent with Good Utility Practice and Applicable Reliability Standards.

9.4.3.4 The protective relay design of the Transmission Developer and

Connecting Transmission Owner shall each incorporate the necessary test switches to perform the tests required in Article 6 of this Agreement. The required test switches will be placed such that they allow operation of lockout relays while preventing breaker failure schemes from   
operating and causing unnecessary breaker operations and/or the tripping of the Transmission Developer’s Transmission Project.

9.4.3.5 The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner will each test, operate and maintain System Protection Facilities in accordance with Good Utility Practice, NERC and NPCC criteria.

9.4.3.6 Prior to the In-Service Dates of the Network Upgrade Facilities and

Transmission Project, the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall   
each perform, or their agents shall perform, a complete calibration test and functional trip test of   
the System Protection Facilities. At intervals suggested by Good Utility Practice and following   
any apparent malfunction of the System Protection Facilities, the Transmission Developer and   
Connecting Transmission Owner shall each perform both calibration and functional trip tests of   
its System Protection Facilities. These tests do not require the tripping of any in-service

generation unit. These tests do, however, require that all protective relays and lockout contacts be activated.

9.4.4 Requirements for Protection.

In compliance with NPCC requirements and Good Utility Practice, Transmission

Developer shall provide, install, own, and maintain relays, circuit breakers and all other devices   
necessary to remove any fault contribution of the Transmission Project to any short circuit   
occurring on the New York State Transmission System not otherwise isolated by Connecting   
Transmission Owner’s equipment, such that the removal of the fault contribution shall be   
coordinated with the protective requirements of the New York State Transmission System. Such   
protective equipment shall include, without limitation, a disconnecting device or switch with   
load-interrupting capability located between the Transmission Project and the New York State   
Transmission System at a site selected upon mutual agreement (not to be unreasonably withheld,   
conditioned or delayed) of the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner.   
Transmission Developer shall be responsible for protection of the Transmission Project and   
Transmission Developer’s other equipment from such conditions as negative sequence currents,   
over- or under-frequency, sudden load rejection, over- or under-voltage, and generator loss-of-  
field. Transmission Developer shall be solely responsible to disconnect the Transmission Project   
and Transmission Developer’s other equipment if conditions on the New York State   
Transmission System could adversely affect the Transmission Project.

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9.4.5 Power Quality.

Neither the facilities of Transmission Developer nor the facilities of Connecting

Transmission Owner shall cause excessive voltage flicker nor introduce excessive distortion to   
the sinusoidal voltage or current waves as defined by ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, in accordance   
with IEEE Standard 519, or any applicable superseding electric industry standard. In the event   
of a conflict between ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or any applicable superseding electric industry   
standard, ANSI Standard C84.1-1989, or the applicable superseding electric industry standard,   
shall control.

9.5 Switching and Tagging Rules.

The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each provide the other Party a copy of its switching and tagging rules that are applicable to the other Party’s   
activities. Such switching and tagging rules shall be developed on a nondiscriminatory basis. The Parties shall comply with applicable switching and tagging rules, as amended from time to time, in obtaining clearances for work or for switching operations on equipment.

9.6 Disturbance Analysis Data Exchange.

The Parties will cooperate with one another and the NYISO in the analysis of

disturbances to either the Transmission Project or the New York State Transmission System by   
gathering and providing access to any information relating to any disturbance, including   
information from disturbance recording equipment, protective relay targets, breaker operations   
and sequence of events records, and any disturbance information required by Good Utility   
Practice.

ARTICLE 10. MAINTENANCE

10.1 Connecting Transmission Owner Obligations.

Connecting Transmission Owner shall maintain its transmission facilities, including the   
Network Upgrade Facilities, in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this   
Agreement.

10.2 Transmission Developer Obligations.

Transmission Developer shall maintain its Transmission Project in a safe and reliable manner and in accordance with this Agreement.

10.3 Coordination.

The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall confer regularly to coordinate the planning, scheduling and performance of preventive and corrective   
maintenance on the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities. The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall keep NYISO fully informed of the   
preventive and corrective maintenance that is planned, and shall schedule all such maintenance in accordance with NYISO procedures.

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10.4 Secondary Systems.

The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each cooperate   
with the other in the inspection, maintenance, and testing of control or power circuits that operate   
below 600 volts, AC or DC, including, but not limited to, any hardware, control or protective   
devices, cables, conductors, electric raceways, secondary equipment panels, transducers,   
batteries, chargers, and voltage and current transformers that directly affect the operation of   
Transmission Developer or Connecting Transmission Owner’s facilities and equipment which   
may reasonably be expected to impact the other Party. The Transmission Developer and   
Connecting Transmission Owner shall each provide advance notice to the other Party, and to   
NYISO, before undertaking any work on such circuits, especially on electrical circuits involving   
circuit breaker trip and close contacts, current transformers, or potential transformers.

10.5 Operating and Maintenance Expenses.

Subject to the provisions herein addressing the use of facilities by others, and except for operations and maintenance expenses associated with modifications made for providing   
interconnection or transmission service to a third party and such third party pays for such   
expenses, Transmission Developer shall be responsible for all reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with owning, operating, maintaining, repairing, and replacing the   
Transmission Project. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall be responsible for all   
reasonable expenses including overheads, associated with owning, operating, maintaining,   
repairing, and replacing the Network Upgrade Facilities.

ARTICLE 11. PERFORMANCE OBLIGATION

11.1 Transmission Project.

Transmission Developer shall design, procure, construct, install, own and/or control the Transmission Project described in Appendix C hereto, at its sole expense.

11.2 Network Upgrade Facilities.

Connecting Transmission Owner and Transmission Developer shall design, procure,   
construct, and install the Network Upgrade Facilities as specified in Appendix A hereto.   
Connecting Transmission Owner shall have ownership and control of the Network Upgrade   
Facilities.

11.3 Special Provisions for Affected Systems.

For the re-payment of amounts advanced to Affected System Operator for Network

Upgrade Facilities, the Transmission Developer and Affected System Operator shall enter into an   
agreement that provides for such re-payment, but only if responsibility for the cost of such   
Network Upgrade Facilities is not to be allocated in accordance with the Facilities Study report.   
The agreement shall specify the terms governing payments to be made by the Transmission   
Developer to the Affected System Operator as well as the re-payment by the Affected System   
Operator.

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11.4 Provision of Security.

Within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the Effective Date of this Agreement, Transmission   
Developer shall provide Connecting Transmission Owner with Security in the amount of the cost   
estimate for the Network Upgrade Facilities in accordance with Section 22.9.3 of Attachment P   
of the ISO OATT, as documented in the Facilities Study report. This amount is set forth in   
Appendix A of this Agreement. If the Transmission Developer: (i) does not pay an invoice   
issued by the Connecting Transmission Owner pursuant to Article 12.1 within the timeframe set   
forth in Article 12.3 or (ii) does not pay any disputed amount into an independent escrow   
account pursuant to Article 12.4, the Connecting Transmission Owner may draw upon   
Transmission Developer’s Security to recover such payment. The Security shall be reduced on a   
dollar-for-dollar basis for payments made to Connecting Transmission Owner for the purpose of   
performing engineering design, constructing, procuring, and installing the Network Upgrade   
Facilities.

In addition:

11.4.1 The guarantee must be made by an entity that meets the commercially

reasonable creditworthiness requirements of Connecting Transmission Owner, and contains

terms and conditions that guarantee payment of the Security amount set forth in Appendix A of this Agreement.

11.4.2 The letter of credit must be issued by a financial institution reasonably

acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

11.4.3 The surety bond must be issued by an insurer reasonably acceptable to Connecting Transmission Owner and must specify a reasonable expiration date.

11.5 Forfeiture of Security

The Security that the Transmission Developer provides the Connecting Transmission

Owner in accordance with Article 11.4 of this Agreement shall be irrevocable and shall be

subject to forfeiture in the event that the Transmission Developer subsequently terminates or

abandons development of the Transmission Project. Any Security provided by the Transmission   
Developer to the Connecting Transmission Owner shall be subject to forfeiture to the extent   
necessary to defray the cost of: (1) Network Upgrade Facilities required for other Transmission   
Developers whose Transmission Project interconnection studies included the Transmission   
Developer’s Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities in their base cases; and (2)   
System Upgrade Facilities and System Deliverability Upgrade Facilities required for projects for   
which the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities were included in their Annual   
Transmission Reliability Assessment and/or Class Year Deliverability Study, as applicable. If   
Transmission Developer’s Security is subject to forfeiture to defray the costs of an affected   
upgrade pursuant to this Article 11.5 and the Security is not in a form that can be readily drawn   
on by the Connecting Transmission Owner to defray the costs of the affected upgrade,   
Transmission Developer shall negotiate in good faith with the Connecting Transmission Owner   
to replace the Security with cash or an alternative form of Security that can be readily drawn on   
by Connecting Transmission Owner up to the amount required to satisfy Transmission

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Developer’s Security obligations under this Agreement, including defraying the costs of the affected upgrade. Connecting Transmission Owner shall only be responsible for using   
Transmission Developer’s Security to defray the costs of an affected upgrade to the extent Transmission Developer has provided cash or Security in a form that the Connecting   
Transmission Owner can readily draw on to defray such costs.

11.6 Network Upgrade Facility Costs

11.6.1 If the actual cost of Network Upgrade Facilities is less than the agreed-to and secured amount, Transmission Developer is responsible only for the actual cost figure.

11.6.2 If the actual cost of Network Upgrade Facilities is greater than the agreed-to and   
secured amount because other projects have been expanded, accelerated, otherwise modified or   
terminated, Transmission Developer is responsible only for the agreed-to and secured amount for   
the Network Upgrade Facilities. The additional cost is covered by the developers of the   
modified projects, or by the drawing on the cash that has been paid and the Security that has   
been posted for terminated projects, depending on the factors that caused the additional cost.   
Such forfeitable Security from other developers will be drawn on only as needed for this   
purpose, and only to the extent that the terminated project associated with that Security has   
caused additional cost and that the developer of the terminated project has provided cash or   
Security in a form that the Connecting Transmission Owner can readily draw on.

11.6.3 If the actual cost of the Network Upgrade Facilities is greater than the agreed-to and secured amount for reasons other than those set forth in Article 11.6.2, Transmission   
Developer will pay the additional costs to Connecting Transmission Owner as such costs are incurred. Disputes between Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner   
concerning costs in excess of the agreed-to and secured amount will be resolved by the parties in accordance with the terms and conditions of Article 27.

11.7 Line Outage Costs.

Notwithstanding anything in the ISO OATT to the contrary, the Connecting Transmission Owner may propose to recover line outage costs associated with the installation of Network   
Upgrade Facilities on a case-by-case basis.

ARTICLE 12. INVOICE

12.1 General.

The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each submit to   
the other Party, on a monthly basis, invoices of amounts due for the preceding month. Each   
invoice shall state the month to which the invoice applies and fully describe the services and   
equipment provided. The Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner may   
discharge mutual debts and payment obligations due and owing to each other on the same date   
through netting, in which case all amounts one Party owes to the other Party under this

Agreement, including interest payments or credits, shall be netted so that only the net amount remaining due shall be paid by the owing Party.

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12.2 Final Invoice and Refund of Remaining Security.

Within six months after completion of the construction of the Network Upgrade

Facilities, Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide an invoice of the final cost of the

construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities and shall set forth such costs in sufficient detail   
to enable Transmission Developer to compare the actual costs with the estimates and to ascertain   
deviations, if any, from the cost estimates. Connecting Transmission Owner shall refund to   
Transmission Developer any amount by which the actual payment by Transmission Developer   
for estimated costs exceeds the actual costs of construction within thirty (30) Calendar Days of   
the issuance of such final construction invoice. Following the later of the completion of the   
construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities and Transmission Developer’s payment of any   
final invoice issued under this Article 12.2, Connecting Transmission Owner shall refund to the   
Transmission Developer any remaining portions of its Security, except as set forth in Article

11.5. Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide Transmission Developer with the refunded amount within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the Parties’ satisfaction of the requirements in this   
Article 12.2.

12.3 Payment.

Invoices shall be rendered to the paying Party at the address specified in Appendix F

hereto. The Party receiving the invoice shall pay the invoice within thirty (30) Calendar Days of   
receipt. All payments shall be made in immediately available funds payable to the other Party,   
or by wire transfer to a bank named and account designated by the invoicing Party. Payment of   
invoices will not constitute a waiver of any rights or claims the paying Party may have under this   
Agreement.

12.4 Disputes.

In the event of a billing dispute between Connecting Transmission Owner and

Transmission Developer, Connecting Transmission Owner shall continue to perform under this Agreement as long as Transmission Developer: (i) continues to make all payments not in dispute; and (ii) pays to Connecting Transmission Owner or into an independent escrow account the   
portion of the invoice in dispute, pending resolution of such dispute. If Transmission Developer fails to meet these two requirements for continuation of service, then Connecting Transmission Owner may provide notice to Transmission Developer of a Default pursuant to Article 17.   
Within thirty (30) Calendar Days after the resolution of the dispute, the Party that owes money to the other Party shall pay the amount due with interest calculated in accord with the methodology set forth in FERC’s Regulations at 18 C.F.R. § 35.19a(a)(2)(iii).

ARTICLE 13. EMERGENCIES

13.1 Obligations.

Each Party shall comply with the Emergency State procedures of NYISO, the applicable Reliability Councils, Applicable Laws and Regulations, and any emergency procedures agreed to by the NYISO Operating Committee. Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner agree to coordinate with NYISO to develop procedures that will address the operations of the Transmission Project during Emergency conditions.

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13.2 Notice.

Each Party shall notify the other Parties promptly when it becomes aware of an

Emergency or Emergency State that affects, or may reasonably be expected to affect, the

Transmission Project or the New York State Transmission System. To the extent information is known, the notification shall describe the Emergency or Emergency State, the extent of the   
damage or deficiency, the expected effect on the operation of Transmission Developer’s or   
Connecting Transmission Owner’s facilities and operations, its anticipated duration and the   
corrective action taken and/or to be taken. The initial notice shall be followed as soon as   
practicable with written notice.

13.3 Immediate Action.

Unless, in Transmission Developer’s reasonable judgment, immediate action is required,   
Transmission Developer shall obtain the consent of Connecting Transmission Owner, such   
consent to not be unreasonably withheld, prior to performing any manual switching operations at   
the Transmission Project in response to an Emergency or Emergency State either declared by   
NYISO, Connecting Transmission Owner or otherwise regarding New York State Transmission   
System.

13.4 NYISO, Transmission Developer, and Connecting Transmission Owner

Authority.

Consistent with ISO Procedures, Good Utility Practice, and this Agreement, any Party   
may take whatever actions with regard to the New York State Transmission System it deems   
necessary during an Emergency or Emergency State in order to (i) preserve public health and   
safety, (ii) preserve the reliability of the New York State Transmission System, (iii) limit or   
prevent damage, and (iv) expedite restoration of service. Transmission Developer and   
Connecting Transmission Owner shall use Reasonable Efforts to assist the other in such actions.

13.5 Limited Liability.

No Party shall be liable to another Party for any action it takes in responding to an

Emergency or Emergency State so long as such action is made in good faith and is consistent with Good Utility Practice and the NYISO Tariffs.

ARTICLE 14. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS AND GOVERNING LAW

14.1 Regulatory Requirements.

Each Party’s obligations under this Agreement shall be subject to its receipt of any

required approval or certificate from one or more Governmental Authorities in the form and

substance satisfactory to the applying Party, or the Party making any required filings with, or

providing notice to, such Governmental Authorities, and the expiration of any time period

associated therewith. Each Party shall in good faith seek and use its Reasonable Efforts to obtain   
such other approvals. Nothing in this Agreement shall require Transmission Developer to take   
any action that could result in its inability to obtain, or its loss of, status or exemption under the

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Federal Power Act or the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005 or the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as amended.

14.2 Governing Law.

14.2.1 The validity, interpretation and performance of this Agreement and each of its

provisions shall be governed by the laws of the state of New York, without regard to its conflicts of law principles.

14.2.2 This Agreement is subject to all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

14.2.3 Each Party expressly reserves the right to seek changes in, appeal, or otherwise contest any laws, orders, rules, or regulations of a Governmental Authority.

ARTICLE 15. NOTICES

15.1 General.

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, any notice, demand or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties and any instrument required or permitted to be tendered or delivered by a Party in writing to the other Parties shall be effective when   
delivered and may be so given, tendered or delivered, by recognized national courier, or by   
depositing the same with the United States Postal Service with postage prepaid, for delivery by certified or registered mail, addressed to the Party, or personally delivered to the Party, at the   
address set out in Appendix F hereto.

A Party may change the notice information in this Agreement by giving five (5) Business Days written notice prior to the effective date of the change.

15.2 Billings and Payments.

Billings and payments shall be sent to the addresses set out in Appendix F hereto.

15.3 Alternative Forms of Notice.

Any notice or request required or permitted to be given by a Party to the other Parties and not required by this Agreement to be given in writing may be so given by telephone, facsimile or email to the telephone numbers and email addresses set out in Appendix F hereto.

15.4 Operations and Maintenance Notice.

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each notify the other Party, and NYISO, in writing of the identity of the person(s) that it designates as the point(s) of contact with respect to the implementation of Articles 9 and 10 of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 16. FORCE MAJEURE

16.1 Economic hardship is not considered a Force Majeure event.

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16.2 A Party shall not be responsible or liable, or deemed, in Default with respect to   
any obligation hereunder, other than the obligation to pay money when due, to the extent the   
Party is prevented from fulfilling such obligation by Force Majeure. A Party unable to fulfill any obligation hereunder (other than an obligation to pay money when due) by reason of Force   
Majeure shall give notice and the full particulars of such Force Majeure to the other Parties in   
writing or by telephone as soon as reasonably possible after the occurrence of the cause relied   
upon. Telephone notices given pursuant to this Article shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably possible and shall specifically state full particulars of the Force Majeure, the time and date when the Force Majeure occurred and when the Force Majeure is reasonably expected to   
cease. The Party affected shall exercise due diligence to remove such disability with reasonable dispatch, but shall not be required to accede or agree to any provision not satisfactory to it in   
order to settle and terminate a strike or other labor disturbance.

ARTICLE 17. DEFAULT

17.1 General.

No Breach shall exist where such failure to discharge an obligation (other than the

payment of money) is the result of Force Majeure as defined in this Agreement or the result of an   
act or omission of the other Parties. Upon a Breach, the non-Breaching Parties shall give written   
notice of such to the Breaching Party. The Breaching Party shall have thirty (30) Calendar Days   
from receipt of the Breach notice within which to cure such Breach; provided however, if such   
Breach is not capable of cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days, the Breaching Party shall   
commence such cure within thirty (30) Calendar Days after notice and continuously and   
diligently complete such cure within ninety (90) Calendar Days from receipt of the Breach   
notice; and, if cured within such time, the Breach specified in such notice shall cease to exist.

17.2 Right to Terminate.

If a Breach is not cured as provided in this Article 17, or if a Breach is not capable of

being cured within the period provided for herein, the non-Breaching Parties acting together shall thereafter have the right to declare a Default and terminate this Agreement by written notice at any time until cure occurs, and be relieved of any further obligation hereunder and, whether or not those Parties terminate this Agreement, to recover from the defaulting Party all amounts due hereunder, plus all other damages and remedies to which they are entitled at law or in equity. The provisions of this Article will survive termination of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 18. INDEMNITY, CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES AND INSURANCE

18.1 Indemnity.

Each Party (the “Indemnifying Party”) shall at all times indemnify, defend, and save

harmless, as applicable, the other Parties (each an “Indemnified Party”) from, any and all

damages, losses, claims, including claims and actions relating to injury to or death of any person   
or damage to property, the alleged violation of any Environmental Law, or the release or   
threatened release of any Hazardous Substance, demand, suits, recoveries, costs and expenses,   
court costs, attorney fees, and all other obligations by or to third parties (any and all of these a   
“Loss”), arising out of or resulting from (i) the Indemnified Party’s performance of its

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obligations under this Agreement on behalf of the Indemnifying Party, except in cases where the Indemnifying Party can demonstrate that the Loss of the Indemnified Party was caused by the   
gross negligence or intentional wrongdoing of the Indemnified Party or (ii) the violation by the   
Indemnifying Party of any Environmental Law or the release by the Indemnifying Party of any   
Hazardous Substance.

18.1.1 Indemnified Party.

If a Party is entitled to indemnification under this Article 18 as a result of a claim by a third party, and the Indemnifying Party fails, after notice and reasonable opportunity to proceed under Article 18.1.3, to assume the defense of such claim, such Indemnified Party may at the expense of the Indemnifying Party contest, settle or consent to the entry of any judgment with respect to, or pay in full, such claim.

18.1.2 Indemnifying Party.

If an Indemnifying Party is obligated to indemnify and hold any Indemnified Party

harmless under this Article 18, the amount owing to the Indemnified Party shall be the amount of such Indemnified Party’s actual Loss, net of any insurance or other recovery.

18.1.3 Indemnity Procedures.

Promptly after receipt by an Indemnified Party of any claim or notice of the

commencement of any action or administrative or legal proceeding or investigation as to which   
the indemnity provided for in Article 18.1 may apply, the Indemnified Party shall notify the   
Indemnifying Party of such fact. Any failure of or delay in such notification shall not affect a   
Party’s indemnification obligation unless such failure or delay is materially prejudicial to the   
Indemnifying Party.

Except as stated below, the Indemnifying Party shall have the right to assume the defense   
thereof with counsel designated by such Indemnifying Party and reasonably satisfactory to the   
Indemnified Party. If the defendants in any such action include one or more Indemnified Parties   
and the Indemnifying Party and if the Indemnified Party reasonably concludes that there may be   
legal defenses available to it and/or other Indemnified Parties which are different from or   
additional to those available to the Indemnifying Party, the Indemnified Party shall have the right   
to select separate counsel to assert such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense   
of such action on its own behalf. In such instances, the Indemnifying Party shall only be   
required to pay the fees and expenses of one additional attorney to represent an Indemnified   
Party or Indemnified Parties having such differing or additional legal defenses.

The Indemnified Party shall be entitled, at its expense, to participate in any such action,   
suit or proceeding, the defense of which has been assumed by the Indemnifying Party.   
Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Indemnifying Party (i) shall not be entitled to assume and   
control the defense of any such action, suit or proceedings if and to the extent that, in the opinion   
of the Indemnified Party and its counsel, such action, suit or proceeding involves the potential   
imposition of criminal liability on the Indemnified Party, or there exists a conflict or adversity of

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interest between the Indemnified Party and the Indemnifying Party, in such event the

Indemnifying Party shall pay the reasonable expenses of the Indemnified Party, and (ii) shall not   
settle or consent to the entry of any judgment in any action, suit or proceeding without the   
consent of the Indemnified Party, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or   
delayed.

18.2 No Consequential Damages.

Other than the indemnity obligations set forth in Article 18.1, in no event shall any Party be liable under any provision of this Agreement for any losses, damages, costs or expenses for any special, indirect, incidental, consequential, or punitive damages, including but not limited to loss of profit or revenue, loss of the use of equipment, cost of capital, cost of temporary   
equipment or services, whether based in whole or in part in contract, in tort, including   
negligence, strict liability, or any other theory of liability; provided, however, that damages for which a Party may be liable to another Party under separate agreement will not be considered to be special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages hereunder.

18.3 Insurance.

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each, at its own

expense, procure and maintain in force throughout the period of this Agreement and until

released by the other Parties, the following minimum insurance coverages, with insurers

authorized to do business in the state of New York and rated “A- (minus) VII” or better by A.M. Best & Co. (or if not rated by A.M. Best & Co., a rating entity acceptable to the NYISO):

18.3.1 Workers' Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance providing statutory benefits in accordance with the laws and regulations of New York State under NCCI Coverage Form No. WC 00 00 00, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or an equivalent form acceptable to the NYISO; provided, however, if the Transmission Project will be located in part outside of New York State, Developer shall maintain such Employers' Liability Insurance   
coverage with a minimum limit of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000).

18.3.2 Commercial General Liability Insurance — under ISO Coverage Form No. CG

00 01 (04/13), as amended or supplemented from time to time, or an equivalent form acceptable to the NYISO — with minimum limits of Two Million Dollars ($2,000,000) per occurrence/Four Million Dollars ($4,000,000) aggregate combined single limit for personal injury, bodily injury, including death and property damage.

18.3.3 Commercial Business Automobile Liability Insurance — under ISO Coverage   
Form No. CA 00 01 10 13, as amended or supplemented from time to time, or an equivalent   
form acceptable to the NYISO — for coverage of owned and non-owned and hired vehicles,   
trailers or semi-trailers designed for travel on public roads, with a minimum, combined single   
limit of One Million Dollars ($1,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, including death,   
and property damage.

18.3.4 Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance over and above the Employers' Liability,   
Commercial General Liability, and Commercial Business Automobile Liability Insurance

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coverage, with a minimum combined single limit of Twenty-Five Million Dollars ($25,000,000) per occurrence/Twenty-Five Million Dollars ($25,000,000) aggregate.

18.3.5 Builder's Risk Insurance in a reasonably prudent amount consistent with Good Utility Practice.

18.3.6 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Commercial Business

Automobile Liability Insurance and Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance policies of

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each name the other Party   
and its respective directors, officers, agents, servants and employees (“Other Party Group”) as   
additional insureds. For Commercial General Liability Insurance, Transmission Developer   
and Connecting Transmission Owner each shall name the Other Party Group as additional   
insureds under the following ISO form numbers, as amended or supplemented from time to   
time, or an equivalent form acceptable to the NYISO: (i) ISO Coverage Form No. CG 20 37 04

13 (“Additional Insured — Owners, Lessees or Contractors —Completed Operations”) and (ii)

(A) ISO Coverage Form No. CG 20 10 04 13 (“Additional Insured — Owner, Lessees or

Contractors — Scheduled Person or Organization”), or (B) ISO Coverage Form No. CG 20 26

04 13 (“Additional Insured — Designated Person or Organization”). For Commercial Business   
Automobile Liability Insurance, Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner   
shall each name the Other Party Group as additional insureds under ISO Coverage Form No. CA

20 48 10 13 (“Designated Insured for Covered Autos Liability Coverage”), as amended or supplemented from time to time, or an equivalent form acceptable to the NYISO.

18.3.7 All policies shall contain provisions whereby the insurers waive all rights of

subrogation in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement against the Other Party Group and provide thirty (30) Calendar days advance written notice to the Other Party Group prior to non-renewal, cancellation or any material change in coverage or condition.

18.3.8 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Commercial Business Automobile Liability Insurance and Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance policies shall contain provisions that specify that the policies are primary and shall apply to such extent without consideration for other policies separately carried and shall state that each insured is provided coverage as though a separate policy had been issued to each, except the insurer's liability shall not be increased   
beyond the amount for which the insurer would have been liable had only one insured been   
covered. Each of Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall be   
responsible for its respective deductibles or retentions.

18.3.9 The Commercial General Liability Insurance, Commercial Business Automobile Liability Insurance and Umbrella/Excess Liability Insurance policies, if written on a Claims First Made Basis in a form acceptable to the NYISO, shall be maintained in full force and effect for   
two (2) years after termination of this Agreement, which coverage may be in the form of an   
extended reporting period (ERP) or a separate policy, if agreed by Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner.

18.3.10 The requirements contained herein as to the types and limits of all insurance to   
be maintained by the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner are not

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intended to and shall not in any manner, limit or qualify the liabilities and obligations assumed by those Parties under this Agreement.

18.3.11 Each of Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall

provide certification of all insurance required in this Agreement, executed by each insurer or by an authorized representative of each insurer: (A) within ten (10) days following: (i) execution of this Agreement, or (ii) the NYISO's date of filing this Agreement if it is filed unexecuted with FERC, and (B) as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year or at the renewal of the insurance policy and in any event within thirty (30) days thereafter.

18.3.12 Notwithstanding the foregoing, Transmission Developer and Connecting

Transmission Owner may each self-insure to meet the minimum insurance requirements of

Articles 18.3.1 through 18.3.9 to the extent it maintains a self-insurance program; provided that,   
such Party’s senior debt is rated at investment grade, or better, by Standard & Poor’s and that its   
self-insurance program meets the minimum insurance requirements of Articles 18.3.1 through

18.3.9. For any period of time that such Party’s senior debt is unrated by Standard & Poor’s or is rated at less than investment grade by Standard & Poor’s, the Party shall comply with the   
insurance requirements applicable to it under Articles 18.3.1 through 18.3.9. In the event that a Party is permitted to self-insure pursuant to this Article 18.3.12, it shall notify the other Party that it meets the requirements to self-insure and that its self-insurance program meets the   
minimum insurance requirements in a manner consistent with that specified in Articles 18.3.1 through 18.3.9 and provide evidence of such coverages.

18.3.13 Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner agree to report to each other in writing as soon as practical all accidents or occurrences resulting in injuries to any person, including death, and any property damage arising out of this Agreement.

18.3.14 Notwithstanding the minimum insurance coverage types and amounts described   
in this Article 18.3, each of Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner: (i)   
shall also maintain any additional insurance coverage types and amounts required under   
Applicable Laws and Regulations, including New York State law, and under Good Utility   
Practice for the work performed by such Party and its subcontractors under this Agreement, and   
(ii) shall satisfy the requirements set forth in Articles 18.3.6 through 18.3.13 with regard to the   
additional insurance coverages, including naming the Other Party Group as additional insureds   
under these policies.

ARTICLE 19. ASSIGNMENT

This Agreement may be assigned by a Party only with the written consent of the other

Parties; provided that a Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the other Parties   
to any Affiliate of the assigning Party with an equal or greater credit rating and with the legal   
authority and operational ability to satisfy the obligations of the assigning Party under this   
Agreement; provided further that a Party may assign this Agreement without the consent of the   
other Parties in connection with the sale, merger, restructuring, or transfer of a substantial   
portion or all of its assets, so long as the assignee in such a transaction directly assumes in   
writing all rights, duties and obligations arising under this Agreement; and provided further that   
the Transmission Developer shall have the right to assign this Agreement, without the consent of

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the NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner, for collateral security purposes to aid in

providing financing for the Transmission Project, provided that the Transmission Developer will   
promptly notify the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner of any such assignment. Any   
financing arrangement entered into by the Transmission Developer pursuant to this Article will   
provide that prior to or upon the exercise of the secured party’s, trustee’s or mortgagee’s   
assignment rights pursuant to said arrangement, the secured creditor, the trustee or mortgagee   
will notify the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner of the date and particulars of any   
such exercise of assignment right(s) and will provide the NYISO and Connecting Transmission   
Owner with proof that it meets the requirements of Articles 11.4 and 18.3. Any attempted   
assignment that violates this Article is void and ineffective. Any assignment under this   
Agreement shall not relieve a Party of its obligations, nor shall a Party’s obligations be enlarged,   
in whole or in part, by reason thereof. Where required, consent to assignment will not be   
unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed.

ARTICLE 20. SEVERABILITY

If any provision in this Agreement is finally determined to be invalid, void or

unenforceable by any court or other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction, such

determination shall not invalidate, void or make unenforceable any other provision, agreement or covenant of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 21. COMPARABILITY

The Parties will comply with all applicable comparability and code of conduct laws, rules and regulations, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE 22. CONFIDENTIALITY

22.1 Confidentiality.

Certain information exchanged by the Parties during the term of this Agreement shall   
constitute confidential information (“Confidential Information”) and shall be subject to this   
Article 22.

If requested by a Party receiving information, the Party supplying the information shall provide in writing, the basis for asserting that the information referred to in this Article warrants confidential treatment, and the requesting Party may disclose such writing to the appropriate Governmental Authority. Each Party shall be responsible for the costs associated with affording confidential treatment to its information.

22.2 Term.

During the term of this Agreement, and for a period of three (3) years after the expiration or termination of this Agreement, except as otherwise provided in this Article 22, each Party shall hold in confidence and shall not disclose to any person Confidential Information.

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22.3 Confidential Information.

The following shall constitute Confidential Information: (1) any non-public information that is treated as confidential by the disclosing Party and which the disclosing Party identifies as Confidential Information in writing at the time, or promptly after the time, of disclosure; or (2) information designated as Confidential Information by the NYISO Code of Conduct contained in Attachment F to the ISO OATT.

22.4 Scope.

Confidential Information shall not include information that the receiving Party can

demonstrate: (1) is generally available to the public other than as a result of a disclosure by the   
receiving Party; (2) was in the lawful possession of the receiving Party on a non-confidential   
basis before receiving it from the disclosing Party; (3) was supplied to the receiving Party   
without restriction by a third party, who, to the knowledge of the receiving Party after due   
inquiry, was under no obligation to the disclosing Party to keep such information confidential;

(4) was independently developed by the receiving Party without reference to Confidential

Information of the disclosing Party; (5) is, or becomes, publicly known, through no wrongful act   
or omission of the receiving Party or Breach of this Agreement; or (6) is required, in accordance   
with Article 22.9 of this Agreement, Order of Disclosure, to be disclosed by any Governmental   
Authority or is otherwise required to be disclosed by law or subpoena, or is necessary in any   
legal proceeding establishing rights and obligations under this Agreement. Information   
designated as Confidential Information will no longer be deemed confidential if the Party that   
designated the information as confidential notifies the other Party that it no longer is   
confidential.

22.5 Release of Confidential Information.

No Party shall release or disclose Confidential Information to any other person, except to   
its Affiliates (limited by FERC Standards of Conduct requirements), subcontractors, employees,   
consultants, or to parties who may be considering providing financing to or equity participation   
with Transmission Developer, or to potential purchasers or assignees of a Party, on a need-to-  
know basis in connection with this Agreement, unless such person has first been advised of the   
confidentiality provisions of this Article 22 and has agreed to comply with such provisions.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Party providing Confidential Information to any person shall   
remain primarily responsible for any release of Confidential Information in contravention of this   
Article 22.

22.6 Rights.

Each Party retains all rights, title, and interest in the Confidential Information that each Party discloses to the other Party. The disclosure by each Party to the other Parties of   
Confidential Information shall not be deemed a waiver by any Party or any other person or entity of the right to protect the Confidential Information from public disclosure.

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22.7 No Warranties.

By providing Confidential Information, no Party makes any warranties or representations   
as to its accuracy or completeness. In addition, by supplying Confidential Information, no Party   
obligates itself to provide any particular information or Confidential Information to the other   
Parties nor to enter into any further agreements or proceed with any other relationship or joint   
venture.

22.8 Standard of Care.

Each Party shall use at least the same standard of care to protect Confidential Information it receives as it uses to protect its own Confidential Information from unauthorized disclosure, publication or dissemination. Each Party may use Confidential Information solely to fulfill its obligations to the other Parties under this Agreement or its regulatory requirements, including the ISO OATT and NYISO Services Tariff. The NYISO shall, in all cases, treat the information it receives in accordance with the requirements of Attachment F to the ISO OATT.

22.9 Order of Disclosure.

If a court or a Government Authority or entity with the right, power, and apparent

authority to do so requests or requires any Party, by subpoena, oral deposition, interrogatories,

requests for production of documents, administrative order, or otherwise, to disclose Confidential   
Information, that Party shall provide the other Parties with prompt notice of such request(s) or   
requirement(s) so that the other Parties may seek an appropriate protective order or waive   
compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Notwithstanding the absence of a protective order   
or waiver, the Party may disclose such Confidential Information which, in the opinion of its   
counsel, the Party is legally compelled to disclose. Each Party will use Reasonable Efforts to   
obtain reliable assurance that confidential treatment will be accorded any Confidential   
Information so furnished.

22.10 Termination of Agreement.

Upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, each Party shall, within ten (10)   
Calendar Days of receipt of a written request from the other Parties, use Reasonable Efforts to   
destroy, erase, or delete (with such destruction, erasure, and deletion certified in writing to the   
other Parties) or return to the other Parties, without retaining copies thereof, any and all written   
or electronic Confidential Information received from the other Parties pursuant to this   
Agreement.

22.11 Remedies.

The Parties agree that monetary damages would be inadequate to compensate a Party for   
another Party’s Breach of its obligations under this Article 22. Each Party accordingly agrees   
that the other Parties shall be entitled to equitable relief, by way of injunction or otherwise, if the   
first Party Breaches or threatens to Breach its obligations under this Article 22, which equitable   
relief shall be granted without bond or proof of damages, and the receiving Party shall not plead   
in defense that there would be an adequate remedy at law. Such remedy shall not be deemed an   
exclusive remedy for the Breach of this Article 22, but shall be in addition to all other remedies

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available at law or in equity. The Parties further acknowledge and agree that the covenants

contained herein are necessary for the protection of legitimate business interests and are

reasonable in scope. No Party, however, shall be liable for indirect, incidental, or consequential   
or punitive damages of any nature or kind resulting from or arising in connection with this   
Article 22.

22.12 Disclosure to FERC, its Staff, or a State.

Notwithstanding anything in this Article 22 to the contrary, and pursuant to 18 C.F.R.   
section 1b.20, if FERC or its staff, during the course of an investigation or otherwise, requests   
information from one of the Parties that is otherwise required to be maintained in confidence   
pursuant to this Agreement or the ISO OATT, the Party shall provide the requested information   
to FERC or its staff, within the time provided for in the request for information. In providing the   
information to FERC or its staff, the Party must, consistent with 18 C.F.R. section 388.112,   
request that the information be treated as confidential and non-public by FERC and its staff and   
that the information be withheld from public disclosure. Parties are prohibited from notifying   
the other Parties to this Agreement prior to the release of the Confidential Information to the   
Commission or its staff. The Party shall notify the other Parties to the Agreement when it is   
notified by FERC or its staff that a request to release Confidential Information has been received   
by FERC, at which time the Parties may respond before such information would be made public,   
pursuant to 18 C.F.R. section 388.112. Requests from a state regulatory body conducting a   
confidential investigation shall be treated in a similar manner if consistent with the applicable   
state rules and regulations. A Party shall not be liable for any losses, consequential or otherwise,   
resulting from that Party divulging Confidential Information pursuant to a FERC or state   
regulatory body request under this paragraph.

22.13 Required Notices Upon Requests or Demands for Confidential Information

Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, no Party shall disclose Confidential

Information to any person not employed or retained by the Party possessing the Confidential

Information, except to the extent disclosure is (i) required by law; (ii) reasonably deemed by the   
disclosing Party to be required to be disclosed in connection with a dispute between or among   
the Parties, or the defense of litigation or dispute; (iii) otherwise permitted by consent of the   
other Party, such consent not to be unreasonably withheld; or (iv) necessary to fulfill its   
obligations under this Agreement, the ISO OATT or the NYISO Services Tariff. Prior to any   
disclosures of a Party’s Confidential Information under this subparagraph, or if any third party or   
Governmental Authority makes any request or demand for any of the information described in   
this subparagraph, the disclosing Party agrees to promptly notify the other Party in writing and   
agrees to assert confidentiality and cooperate with the other Party in seeking to protect the   
Confidential Information from public disclosure by confidentiality agreement, protective order or   
other reasonable measures.

ARTICLE 23. TRANSMISSION DEVELOPER AND CONNECTING TRANSMISSION   
 OWNER NOTICES OF ENVIRONMENTAL RELEASES

Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall each notify the other   
Party, first orally and then in writing, of the release of any Hazardous Substances, any asbestos

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or lead abatement activities, or any type of remediation activities related to the Transmission   
Project or Network Upgrade Facilities, each of which may reasonably be expected to affect the   
other Party. The notifying Party shall: (i) provide the notice as soon as practicable, provided   
such Party makes a good faith effort to provide the notice no later than twenty-four hours after   
such Party becomes aware of the occurrence; and (ii) promptly furnish to the other Party copies   
of any publicly available reports filed with any Governmental Authorities addressing such

events.

ARTICLE 24. INFORMATION REQUIREMENT

24.1 Information Acquisition.

Connecting Transmission Owner and Transmission Developer shall each submit specific information regarding the electrical characteristics of their respective facilities to the other, and to NYISO, as described below and in accordance with Applicable Reliability Standards.

24.2 Information Submission Concerning the Network Upgrade Facilities.

The initial information submission by Connecting Transmission Owner shall occur no   
later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days prior to Trial Operation of the Network   
Upgrade Facilities and shall include New York State Transmission System information   
necessary to allow the Transmission Developer to select equipment and meet any system   
protection and stability requirements, unless otherwise mutually agreed to by the Transmission   
Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner. On a quarterly basis Connecting Transmission   
Owner and Transmission Developer shall each provide the other Parties a status report on the   
construction and installation of the Network Upgrade Facilities for which it has construction   
responsibility pursuant to Appendix A, including, but not limited to, the following information:

(1) progress to date; (2) a description of the activities since the last report; (3) a description of the action items for the next period; and (4) the delivery status of equipment ordered.

24.3 Updated Information Submission Concerning the Transmission Project.

The updated information submission by the Transmission Developer, including

manufacturer information, shall occur no later than one hundred eighty (180) Calendar Days

prior to the Trial Operation of the Transmission Project. Transmission Developer shall submit a   
completed copy of the Transmission Project data requirements contained in Appendix 1 to the   
Transmission Interconnection Procedures. It shall also include any additional information   
provided to Connecting Transmission Owner for the Facilities Study. Information in this   
submission shall be the most current Transmission Project design or expected performance data.   
Information submitted for stability models shall be compatible with NYISO standard models. If   
there is no compatible model, the Transmission Developer will work with a consultant mutually   
agreed to by the Parties to develop and supply a standard model and associated information.

If the Transmission Developer’s data is different from what was originally provided to   
Connecting Transmission Owner and NYISO pursuant to a Transmission Interconnection Study   
agreement among Connecting Transmission Owner, NYISO and Transmission Developer and   
this difference may be reasonably expected to affect the other Parties’ facilities or the New York

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State Transmission System, but does not require the submission of a new Transmission

Interconnection Application, then NYISO will conduct appropriate studies to determine the

impact on the New York State Transmission System based on the actual data submitted pursuant to this Article 24.3. Such studies will provide an estimate of any additional modifications to the New York State Transmission System or Network Upgrade Facilities based on the actual data and a good faith estimate of the costs thereof. The Transmission Developer shall not begin Trial Operation for the Transmission Project until such studies are completed. The Transmission   
Developer shall be responsible for the cost of any modifications required by the actual data,   
including the cost of any required studies.

24.4 Information Supplementation.

Prior to the In-Service Date, the Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall supplement their information submissions described above in this Article 24 with any and all “as-built” Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities information or “astested” performance information that differs from the initial submissions or, alternatively, written confirmation that no such differences exist. The Transmission Developer shall conduct tests on the Transmission Project as required by Good Utility Practice.

Subsequent to the In-Service Date, the Transmission Developer shall provide Connecting   
Transmission Owner and NYISO any information changes concerning the Transmission Project   
due to equipment replacement, repair, or adjustment. Connecting Transmission Owner shall   
provide the Transmission Developer and NYISO any information changes concerning the   
Network Upgrade Facilities due to equipment replacement, repair or adjustment in the directly   
connected substation or any adjacent Connecting Transmission Owner substation that may affect   
the Transmission Project’s equipment ratings, protection or operating requirements. The   
Transmission Developer and Connecting Transmission Owner shall provide such information no   
later than thirty (30) Calendar Days after the date of the equipment replacement, repair or   
adjustment.

ARTICLE 25. INFORMATION ACCESS AND AUDIT RIGHTS

25.1 Information Access.

Each Party (“Disclosing Party”) shall make available to another Party (“Requesting

Party”) information that is in the possession of the Disclosing Party and is necessary in order for   
the Requesting Party to: (i) verify the costs incurred by the Disclosing Party for which the   
Requesting Party is responsible under this Agreement; and (ii) carry out its obligations and   
responsibilities under this Agreement. The Parties shall not use such information for purposes   
other than those set forth in this Article 25.1 of this Agreement and to enforce their rights under   
this Agreement.

25.2 Reporting of Non-Force Majeure Events.

Each Party (the “Notifying Party”) shall notify the other Parties when the Notifying Party becomes aware of its inability to comply with the provisions of this Agreement for a reason other than a Force Majeure event. The Parties agree to cooperate with each other and provide

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necessary information regarding such inability to comply, including the date, duration, reason for the inability to comply, and corrective actions taken or planned to be taken with respect to such inability to comply. Notwithstanding the foregoing, notification, cooperation or information provided under this Article shall not entitle the Party receiving such notification to allege a cause for anticipatory breach of this Agreement.

25.3 Audit Rights.

Subject to the requirements of confidentiality under Article 22 of this Agreement, each   
Party shall have the right, during normal business hours, and upon prior reasonable notice to   
another Party, to audit at its own expense the other Party’s accounts and records pertaining to the   
other Party’s performance or satisfaction of its obligations under this Agreement. Such audit   
rights shall include audits of the other Party’s costs, calculation of invoiced amounts, and each   
Party’s actions in an Emergency or Emergency State. Any audit authorized by this Article shall   
be performed at the offices where such accounts and records are maintained and shall be limited   
to those portions of such accounts and records that relate to the Party’s performance and   
satisfaction of obligations under this Agreement. Each Party shall keep such accounts and   
records for a period equivalent to the audit rights periods described in Article 25.4 of this   
Agreement.

25.4 Audit Rights Periods.

25.4.1 Audit Rights Period for Construction-Related Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to the design, engineering, procurement, and construction of the Network Upgrade Facilities shall be subject to audit for a period of twenty-four months   
following Connecting Transmission Owner’s issuance of a final invoice in accordance with   
Article 12.2 of this Agreement.

25.4.2 Audit Rights Period for All Other Accounts and Records.

Accounts and records related to a Party’s performance or satisfaction of its obligations   
under this Agreement other than those described in Article 25.4.1 of this Agreement shall be   
subject to audit as follows: (i) for an audit relating to cost obligations, the applicable audit rights   
period shall be twenty-four months after the auditing Party’s receipt of an invoice giving rise to   
such cost obligations; and (ii) for an audit relating to all other obligations, the applicable audit   
rights period shall be twenty-four months after the event for which the audit is sought.

25.5 Audit Results.

If an audit by a Party determines that an overpayment or an underpayment has occurred, a notice of such overpayment or underpayment shall be given to the other Party together with   
those records from the audit which support such determination.

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ARTICLE 26. SUBCONTRACTORS

26.1 General.

Nothing in this Agreement shall prevent a Party from utilizing the services of any

subcontractor as it deems appropriate to perform its obligations under this Agreement; provided, however, that each Party shall require its subcontractors to comply with all applicable terms and conditions of this Agreement in providing such services and each Party shall remain primarily liable to the other Parties for the performance of such subcontractor.

26.2 Responsibility of Principal.

The creation of any subcontract relationship shall not relieve the hiring Party of any of its   
obligations under this Agreement. The hiring Party shall be fully responsible to the other Parties   
for the acts or omissions of any subcontractor the hiring Party hires as if no subcontract had been   
made; provided, however, that in no event shall the NYISO or Connecting Transmission Owner   
be liable for the actions or inactions of the Transmission Developer or its subcontractors with   
respect to obligations of the Transmission Developer under Article 5 of this Agreement. Any   
applicable obligation imposed by this Agreement upon the hiring Party shall be equally binding   
upon, and shall be construed as having application to, any subcontractor of such Party.

26.3 No Limitation by Insurance.

The obligations under this Article 26 will not be limited in any way by any limitation of subcontractor’s insurance.

ARTICLE 27. DISPUTES

27.1 Submission.

In the event any Party has a dispute, or asserts a claim, that arises out of or in connection   
with this Agreement or its performance (a “Dispute”), such Party shall provide the other Parties   
with written notice of the Dispute (“Notice of Dispute”). Such Dispute shall be referred to a   
designated senior representative of each Party for resolution on an informal basis as promptly as   
practicable after receipt of the Notice of Dispute by the other Parties. In the event the designated   
representatives are unable to resolve the Dispute through unassisted or assisted negotiations   
within thirty (30) Calendar Days of the other Parties’ receipt of the Notice of Dispute, such   
Dispute may, upon mutual agreement of the Parties, be submitted to arbitration and resolved in   
accordance with the arbitration procedures set forth below. In the event the Parties do not agree   
to submit such Dispute to arbitration, each Party may exercise whatever rights and remedies it   
may have in equity or at law consistent with the terms of this Agreement.

27.2 External Arbitration Procedures.

Any arbitration initiated under this Agreement shall be conducted before a single neutral   
arbitrator appointed by the Parties. If the Parties fail to agree upon a single arbitrator within ten

(10) Calendar Days of the submission of the Dispute to arbitration, each Party shall choose one   
arbitrator who shall sit on a three-member arbitration panel. In each case, the arbitrator(s) shall

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be knowledgeable in electric utility matters, including electric transmission and bulk power

issues, and shall not have any current or past substantial business or financial relationships with any party to the arbitration (except prior arbitration). The arbitrator(s) shall provide each of the Parties an opportunity to be heard and, except as otherwise provided herein, shall conduct the   
arbitration in accordance with the Commercial Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration   
Association (“Arbitration Rules”) and any applicable FERC regulations or RTO rules; provided, however, in the event of a conflict between the Arbitration Rules and the terms of this Article 27, the terms of this Article 27 shall prevail.

27.3 Arbitration Decisions.

Unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, the arbitrator(s) shall render a decision within

ninety (90) Calendar Days of appointment and shall notify the Parties in writing of such decision   
and the reasons therefor. The arbitrator(s) shall be authorized only to interpret and apply the   
provisions of this Agreement and shall have no power to modify or change any provision of this   
Agreement in any manner. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the   
Parties, and judgment on the award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction. The   
decision of the arbitrator(s) may be appealed solely on the grounds that the conduct of the   
arbitrator(s), or the decision itself, violated the standards set forth in the Federal Arbitration Act   
or the Administrative Dispute Resolution Act. The final decision of the arbitrator must also be   
filed with FERC if it affects jurisdictional rates, terms and conditions of service, or Network   
Upgrade Facilities.

27.4 Costs.

Each Party shall be responsible for its own costs incurred during the arbitration process   
and for the following costs, if applicable: (1) the cost of the arbitrator chosen by the Party to sit   
on the three member panel; or (2) one-third the cost of the single arbitrator jointly chosen by the   
Parties.

27.5 Termination.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article 27, any Party may terminate this

Agreement in accordance with its provisions or pursuant to an action at law or equity. The issue of whether such a termination is proper shall not be considered a Dispute hereunder.

ARTICLE 28. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

28.1 General.

Each Party makes the following representations, warranties and covenants:

28.1.1 Good Standing.

Such Party is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the   
state in which it is organized, formed, or incorporated, as applicable; that it is qualified to do   
business in the state or states in which the Transmission Project and Network Upgrade Facilities   
owned by such Party, as applicable, are located; and that it has the corporate power and authority

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to own its properties, to carry on its business as now being conducted and to enter into this   
Agreement and carry out the transactions contemplated hereby and perform and carry out all   
covenants and obligations on its part to be performed under and pursuant to this Agreement.

28.1.2 Authority.

Such Party has the right, power and authority to enter into this Agreement, to become a   
Party hereto and to perform its obligations hereunder. This Agreement is a legal, valid and   
binding obligation of such Party, enforceable against such Party in accordance with its terms,   
except as the enforceability thereof may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency,   
reorganization or other similar laws affecting creditors’ rights generally and by general equitable   
principles (regardless of whether enforceability is sought in a proceeding in equity or at law).

28.1.3 No Conflict.

The execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement does not violate or conflict with the organizational or formation documents, or bylaws or operating agreement, of such Party, or any judgment, license, permit, order, material agreement or instrument applicable to or binding upon such Party or any of its assets.

28.1.4 Consent and Approval.

Such Party has sought or obtained, or, in accordance with this Agreement will seek or obtain, each consent, approval, authorization, order, or acceptance by any Governmental   
Authority in connection with the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, and it will provide to any Governmental Authority notice of any actions under this Agreement that are required by Applicable Laws and Regulations.

ARTICLE 29. MISCELLANEOUS

29.1 Binding Effect.

This Agreement and the rights and obligations hereof, shall be binding upon and shall inure to the benefit of the successors and permitted assigns of the Parties hereto.

29.2 Conflicts.

If there is a discrepancy or conflict between or among the terms and conditions of this cover agreement and the Appendices hereto, the terms and conditions of this cover agreement shall be given precedence over the Appendices, except as otherwise expressly agreed to in   
writing by the Parties.

29.3 Rules of Interpretation.

This Agreement, unless a clear contrary intention appears, shall be construed and

interpreted as follows: (1) the singular number includes the plural number and vice versa; (2)

reference to any person includes such person’s successors and assigns but, in the case of a Party,

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only if such successors and assigns are permitted by this Agreement, and reference to a person in   
a particular capacity excludes such person in any other capacity or individually; (3) reference to   
any agreement (including this Agreement), document, instrument or tariff means such   
agreement, document, instrument, or tariff as amended or modified and in effect from time to   
time in accordance with the terms thereof and, if applicable, the terms hereof; (4) reference to   
any Applicable Laws and Regulations means such Applicable Laws and Regulations as   
amended, modified, codified, or reenacted, in whole or in part, and in effect from time to time,   
including, if applicable, rules and regulations promulgated thereunder; (5) unless expressly stated   
otherwise, reference to any Article, Section or Appendix means such Article of this Agreement   
or such Appendix to this Agreement, or such Section to the Transmission Interconnection   
Procedures or such Appendix to the Transmission Interconnection Procedures, as the case may   
be; (6) “hereunder”, “hereof’, “herein”, “hereto” and words of similar import shall be deemed   
references to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular Article or other provision   
hereof or thereof; (7) “including” (and with correlative meaning “include”) means including   
without limiting the generality of any description preceding such term; and (8) relative to the   
determination of any period of time, “from” means “from and including”, “to” means “to but   
excluding” and “through” means “through and including”.

29.4 Compliance.

Each Party shall perform its obligations under this Agreement in accordance with

Applicable Laws and Regulations, Applicable Reliability Standards, the ISO OATT and Good Utility Practice. To the extent a Party is required or prevented or limited in taking any action by such regulations and standards, such Party shall not be deemed to be in Breach of this Agreement for its compliance therewith. When any Party becomes aware of such a situation, it shall notify the other Parties promptly so that the Parties can discuss the amendment to this Agreement that is appropriate under the circumstances.

29.5 Joint and Several Obligations.

Except as otherwise stated herein, the obligations of NYISO, Transmission Developer   
and Connecting Transmission Owner are several, and are neither joint nor joint and several.

29.6 Entire Agreement.

This Agreement, including all Appendices and Schedules attached hereto, constitutes the   
entire agreement between the Parties with reference to the subject matter hereof, and supersedes   
all prior and contemporaneous understandings or agreements, oral or written, between the Parties   
with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement. There are no other agreements,   
representations, warranties, or covenants which constitute any part of the consideration for, or   
any condition to, either Party’s compliance with its obligations under this Agreement.

29.7 No Third Party Beneficiaries.

This Agreement is not intended to and does not create rights, remedies, or benefits of any character whatsoever in favor of any persons, corporations, associations, or entities other than the Parties, and the obligations herein assumed are solely for the use and benefit of the Parties, their successors in interest and permitted their assigns.

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29.8 Waiver.

The failure of a Party to this Agreement to insist, on any occasion, upon strict

performance of any provision of this Agreement will not be considered a waiver of any

obligation, right, or duty of, or imposed upon, such Party. Any waiver at any time by either   
Party of its rights with respect to this Agreement shall not be deemed a continuing waiver or a   
waiver with respect to any other failure to comply with any other obligation, right, duty of this   
Agreement. Termination or Default of this Agreement for any reason by the Transmission   
Developer shall not constitute a waiver of the Transmission Developer’s legal rights to obtain   
Capacity Resource Interconnection Service and Energy Resource Interconnection Service from   
the NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner in accordance with the provisions of the ISO   
OATT. Any waiver of this Agreement shall, if requested, be provided in writing.

29.9 Headings.

The descriptive headings of the various Articles of this Agreement have been inserted for convenience of reference only and are of no significance in the interpretation or construction of this Agreement.

29.10 Multiple Counterparts.

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which is deemed an original but all constitute one and the same instrument.

29.11 Amendment.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend this Agreement, by a written instrument duly executed by all three of the Parties.

29.12 Modification by the Parties.

The Parties may by mutual agreement amend the Appendices to this Agreement, by a   
written instrument duly executed by all three of the Parties. Such an amendment shall become   
effective and a part of this Agreement upon satisfaction of all Applicable Laws and Regulations.

29.13 Reservation of Rights.

NYISO and Connecting Transmission Owner shall have the right to make unilateral   
filings with FERC to modify this Agreement with respect to any rates, terms and conditions,   
charges, classifications of service, rule or regulation under section 205 or any other applicable   
provision of the Federal Power Act and FERC’s rules and regulations thereunder, and   
Transmission Developer shall have the right to make a unilateral filing with FERC to modify this   
Agreement pursuant to section 206 or any other applicable provision of the Federal Power Act   
and FERC’s rules and regulations thereunder; provided that each Party shall have the right to   
protest any such filing by another Party and to participate fully in any proceeding before FERC   
in which such modifications may be considered. Nothing in this Agreement shall limit the rights   
of the Parties or of FERC under sections 205 or 206 of the Federal Power Act and FERC’s rules

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and regulations thereunder, except to the extent that the Parties otherwise mutually agree as provided herein.

29.14 No Partnership.

This Agreement shall not be interpreted or construed to create an association, joint

venture, agency relationship, or partnership among the Parties or to impose any partnership

obligation or partnership liability upon any Party. No Party shall have any right, power or

authority to enter into any agreement or undertaking for, or act on behalf of, or to act as or be an agent or representative of, or to otherwise bind, any other Party.

29.15 Other Transmission Rights.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, nothing herein shall be construed as relinquishing or foreclosing any rights, including but not limited to firm transmission rights,   
capacity rights, or transmission congestion rights that the Transmission Developer shall be   
entitled to, now or in the future under any other agreement or tariff as a result of, or otherwise   
associated with, the transmission capacity, if any, created by the Transmission Project and   
Network Upgrade Facilities.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have executed this Agreement in duplicate originals,   
each of which shall constitute and be an original effective Agreement between the Parties.

New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

By:

Name:

Title:

Date:

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp.

By:

Name:

Title:

Date:

New York Transco, LLC

By:

Name: Victor Mullin\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Title: President\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name: Paul Haering\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Title: Vice President of Capital Investment

Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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APPENDIX A

NETWORK UPGRADE FACILITIES

1. Network Upgrade Facilities (“NUFs”)

A. Network Upgrade Facilities for Connecting Transmission Owner’s

Transmission System (i.e., Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp.’s Transmission System)

The Transmission Project will interconnect to the New York State Transmission System at existing transmission facilities owned and operated by the Connecting Transmission Owner. The Facilities Study identified NUFs required to reliably interconnect the Transmission Project to the Connecting Transmission Owner’s system. The Connecting Transmission Owner shall design, procure, construct, and install the Network Upgrade Facilities described below, except for the work to be performed by Transmission Developer as specified below.

The NUFs on Connecting Transmission Owner’s system are as follows:

i. NUFs at 115 kV Milan Substation

The NUFs at Connecting Transmission Owner’s Milan Substation include the following:

• Remove Connecting Transmission Owner’s T-7 and #10 line tap structures and spans

connecting Milan Substation;

• Attach new T-7 and #10 lines to Milan Substation;

• Increase the current transformer (“CT”) ratio of the RT-7 breaker multi-ratio CTs;

• Install new SEL-411L, SEL-311L and SEL-351A relays to replace existing T-7 and #10

line relays;

o The Facility Study report identified that power line carrier (“PLC”) equipment,

including a line tuner, wave trap and universal power line carrier (“UPLC”)-II

transceiver were to be utilized for Protection & Communications (“P&C”) for Lines T-7 and 10. However, subsequent to the Facility Study report being finalized, the   
Connecting Transmission Owner, the other Connecting Transmission Owners for the interconnection of the Transmission Project, and Transmission Developer coordinated concerning the P&C requirements and mutually agreed that fiber optic will be utilized instead of PLC for those lines.

o This new optical ground wire (“OPGW”) fiber optic cable facility will be installed   
 from National Grid’s Blue Stores Substation to Transmission Developer’s   
 Churchtown Substation and from National Grid’s Blue Stores Substation to   
 Connecting Transmission Owner’s Milan Substation by the Transmission Developer.   
 This fiber will support communications between these three locations for Line 4 and   
 Line T-7 protection. The circuits to Transmission Developer’s Churchtown and   
 Connecting Transmission Owner’s Milan and Pleasant Valley 115kV Substations will   
 be provisioned on the OPGW fiber facility to support Line 4, Line T-7, and Line 10   
 permissive overreaching transfer trip (“POTT”) & direct transfer trip (“DTT”).

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• Perform a protection and coordination study to account for new transmission line   
 impedances and area system configuration changes;

• Issue relay setting files for the T-7 and #10 line relays; and

• Stock necessary spare parts to accommodate the 954 MCM aluminum conductor steel   
 supported (“ACSS”) conductor.

ii. NUFs at 115 kV North Catskill Substation

The NUFs at Connecting Transmission Owner’s North Catskill Substation include the following:

• Change the T-7 Line designations to represent the new #5 Line on all station equipment   
 and prints;

• Perform a protection and coordination study to account for new transmission line   
 impedance and area system configuration changes; and

• Issue relay setting files for the #5 Line relay; no fiber is planned for this section.

iii. NUFs at 115 kV Pleasant Valley Substation

The NUFs at Connecting Transmission Owner’s Pleasant Valley Substation include the following:

• Retire and remove the #8, #12 and #13 transmission line terminals;

• Retire and remove the R8, R12 and R13 circuit breakers, associated disconnect switches

and foundations;

• Connect the new #10 Line to the existing 10 line terminal;

• Decommission and remove the #8, #12 and #13 line protective relays;

• Install new SEL-411L, SEL-311L and SEL-351A relays to replace existing #10 Line

relays;

o The Facility Study report identified that PLC equipment, including a line tuner, wave   
 trap and UPLC-II transceiver were to be utilized for P&C for Lines T-7 and 10.   
 However, subsequent to the Facility Study report being finalized, the Connecting   
 Transmission Owner, the other Connecting Transmission Owners for the   
 interconnection of the Transmission Project, and Transmission Developer coordinated   
 concerning the P&C requirements and mutually agreed that fiber optic will be utilized   
 instead of PLC for those lines.

o This new OPGW fiber optic cable facility will be installed from National Grid’s Blue   
 Stores Substation to Transmission Developer’s Churchtown Substation and from   
 National Grid’s Blue Stores Substation to Connecting Transmission Owner’s Milan   
 Substation by the Transmission Developer. This fiber will support communications   
 between these three locations for Line 4 and Line T-7 protection. The circuits to   
 Transmission Developer’s Churchtown Substation and Connecting Transmission   
 Owner’s Milan and Pleasant Valley 115kV Substations will be provisioned on the   
 OPGW fiber facility to support Line 4, Line T-7, and Line 10 POTT & DTT.   
 • Perform a protection and coordination study to account for new transmission line   
 impedance and area system configuration changes; and

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• Issue relay setting files for the #10 Line protective relays.

iv. NUFs at 345 kV Rock Tavern Substation

The NUFs at Connecting Transmission Owner’s Rock Tavern Substation include the following:

• Replace the CCRT-34 line wave trap and line tuner; a 4000 Amp trap will be used;

• Replace the CCRT-34 line station connections between the A-frame, wave trap, line   
 disconnect switch and transmission line; two (2) 2500 MCM all aluminum conductor   
 (“AAC”) 91STR conductors will be used;

• Replace the DART-44 line station connections between the A-frame, wave trap, line   
 disconnect switch and transmission line; two (2) 2500 MCM AAC 91STR conductors   
 will be used; and

• Perform a relay setting review to ensure compliance with NERC standards.

v. NUFs at 345 kV Roseton Switchyard

The NUFs at Connecting Transmission Owner’s Roseton Substation include the following:

• Replace the 30581 line disconnect switch with a 4000 Amp 53C rise switch; and

• Perform a relay setting review to ensure compliance with NERC standards.

vi. Rock Tavern 115kV SL Line Terminal

The NUFs concerning the Rock Tavern 115 kV SL Line include the following:

• Attach new SL Line conductor to Rock Tavern Substation and terminate new SL Line   
 optical ground wire (“OPGW”) fiber;

• Replace the 1200A SL-683 and SL-687 switches with 2000A motor operated switches;

• Install new SL Line terminal station connections;

• The Rock Tavern SL Line relaying recently was replaced with SEL-311C and GE D60   
 relays; an SEL-411L will be installed using line current differential protection to replace   
 the GE D60 relay in order to use OPGW fiber for high speed protection; and

• Perform a protection and coordination study to account for new transmission line   
 impedances and area system configuration changes; and issue relay setting files.

Transmission Developer recently submitted a non-material determination (“NMD”)

request to the NYISO to re-rate certain transmission facilities, which modification would modify the scope of work at the Roseton 345kV and RockTavern 345kV Substations as is currently   
contemplated in the final Facilities Study report. This Agreement was executed prior to the   
update of the work scope reduction resulting from the NYISO’s recent determination that the NMD request is not material. Accordingly, the Parties shall amend this Agreement pursuant to Articles 29.11 and 29.12 to reflect the requested modifications.

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vii. Transmission Developer NUF Work

There are Network Upgrade Facilities which Connecting Transmission Owner will own, operate and maintain once they are completed, which will be engineered, procured, and paid for by Transmission Developer.

The existing connection point to the Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.   
(“Con Edison”) 345kV South Syn bus for existing Connecting Transmission Owner’s S122   
disconnect switch associated with S1 auto-transformer will be relocated to a physical location   
several feet from the current physical location to accommodate the extension of the South Syn   
bus to facilitate the creation of Bay 1 in the Pleasant Valley 345kV Substation. Transmission   
Developer will engineer and pay for all costs associated with work scope associated with the

S122 disconnect switch relocation and reconnection. Note: the existing Point of Interconnection   
between Con Edison’s Pleasant Valley 345kV Substation and Connecting Transmission Owner’s   
S122 disconnect switch will remain the same (the South Syn bus). The physical switch and   
associated support structure will be procured and installed as part of the Pleasant Valley 345kV   
scope work. The switch will be controlled by South Bus Differential SEL-487B lockout relays   
and S1 autotransformer SEL-487E lockout relays. Connecting Transmission Owner will be   
responsible to run cable and conduit to the switch location within the Pleasant Valley 345kV   
Substation. The existing conduit within the Pleasant Valley 345kV Substation will be evaluated   
for reuse for a portion of the scope.

Additionally, for the fiber optic cable entering the Pleasant Valley 115kV Substation, the Transmission Developer will procure and provide the fiber pole that will be installed inside the Pleasant Valley 115kV Substation, its foundation design, and bringing the fiber into the Pleasant Valley 115kV Substation. Connecting Transmission Owner will perform the physical work to install the fiber pole, fiber splice and foundation at Transmission Developer cost.

2. Interconnection to and Network Upgrade Facilities for Other Connecting

Transmission Owners’ Transmission Systems

A. Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid

Portions of the Transmission Project will interconnect to the New York State

Transmission System at existing transmission facilities owned and operated by National Grid,   
which is also a Connecting Transmission Owner for the Transmission Project. The Facilities   
Study identified certain Network Upgrade Facilities at National Grid’s Schodack 115 kV   
Substation, Greenbush 115 kV Substation, Valkin 115 kV Substation, Hudson 115 kV   
Substation, New Scotland Substation and Alps Substation, along with upgrades at the Blue   
Stores 115 kV tap, Buckley Corners 115 kV tap, Fort Orange 115 kV tap, LaFarge 115 kV Tap,   
ADM Milling 115 kV tap, Hudson 115 kV tap, line 14N interconnection point, and Valkin 115   
kV tap, which Network Upgrade Facilities are required to reliably interconnect the Transmission   
Project to National Grid’s system. The Transmission Developer, National Grid, and the NYISO   
will enter into a separate Transmission Project Interconnection Agreement concerning the   
interconnection of the Transmission Project to National Grid’s facilities and the construction or   
installation of the related Network Upgrade Facilities on National Grid’s facilities.

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B. New York State Electric & Gas Corporation

Portions of the Transmission Project will interconnect to the New York State

Transmission System at existing transmission facilities owned and operated by New York State   
Electric & Gas Corporation (“NYSEG”), which is also a Connecting Transmission Owner for the   
Transmission Project. The draft NYSEG Facilities Study identified certain Network Upgrade   
Facilities at NYSEG’s Fall Park 115 kV Substation, Craryville 115 kV Substation, Klinekill   
115/34.5 kV Substation, and Coopers Corner 345 kV Substation that are required to reliably   
interconnect the Transmission Project to NYSEG’s system. The Transmission Developer,   
NYSEG, and the NYISO will enter into a separate Transmission Project Interconnection   
Agreement concerning the interconnection of the Transmission Project to NYSEG’s facilities   
and the construction or installation of the related Network Upgrade Facilities on NYSEG’s   
facilities.

C. Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.

Portions of the Transmission Project will interconnect to the New York State

Transmission System at existing transmission facilities owned and operated by Con Edison,   
which is also a Connecting Transmission Owner for the Transmission Project. The Facilities   
Study identified certain Network Upgrade Facilities at Con Edison’s Pleasant Valley 345 kV   
Substation and its Cricket Valley 345 kV Substation. The Pleasant Valley Substation upgrades   
will entail the creation of a new bay and relocation of existing 345kV feeders, which   
interconnect the Cricket Valley Substation, and the interconnection of the Transmission Project’s   
new 345 kV feeder # Y59. In addition, there will be a reconductoring for approximately 0.8   
miles of the existing feeders 91 and 92 from the Van Wagner Cap Bank Station into Pleasant   
Valley and the interconnection of two new parallel Phase Angle Regulators on line #398, that are   
required to reliably interconnect the Transmission Project to the New York State   
Transmission System. Transmission Developer, Con Edison, and the NYISO will enter into a   
separate Transmission Project Interconnection Agreement concerning the interconnection of the   
Transmission Project to Con Edison’s facilities and the construction or installation of the related   
Network Upgrade Facilities on Con Edison’s facilities.

D. Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc.

Portions of the Transmission Project will interconnect to the New York State

Transmission System at existing transmission facilities owned and operated by Orange and

Rockland Utilities, Inc. (“O&R”), which is also a Connecting Transmission Owner for the

Transmission Project. The Facilities Study identified certain Network Upgrade Facilities at

O&R’s Sugarloaf 138 kV Substation that are required to reliably interconnect the Transmission Project to O&R’s system. The Transmission Developer, O&R, and the NYISO will enter into a separate Transmission Project Interconnection Agreement concerning the interconnection of the Transmission Project to O&R’s facilities and the construction or installation of the related   
Network Upgrade Facilities on O&R’s facilities.

VI. Affected System Upgrade Facilities

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The Transmission Interconnection Studies for the Transmission Project identified New York Power Authority (“NYPA”), Castleton Power, LLC (for the Fort Orange Substation), Holcim (US) Inc. (for the LaFarge Substation), and ADM Milling Co. (for the ADM Milling Substation) as Affected System Operators, which systems are impacted by the Transmission Project. The Facilities Studies conducted for the Transmission Project identified certain   
Network Upgrade Facilities required for these Affected Systems.

A. NYPA

The Transmission Interconnection Studies for the Transmission Project identified that   
certain Network Upgrade Facilities at NYPA’s East Transition 345 kV Substation, West   
Transition 345 kV Substation, and Dolson Ave. 345 kV Substation are required in connection   
with the Transmission Project. This work will be performed in accordance with the terms of an   
engineering, procurement, and construction agreement by and among the NYISO, Transmission   
Developer, and NYPA.

B. Fort Orange Substation

The Transmission Interconnection Studies for the Transmission Project identified that modifications to the relay settings at the Fort Orange Substation are required in connection with the Transmission Project. The relay resetting and drawing updates will be performed for the Fort Orange Substation to reflect the new Line 14N Tap location in accordance with the terms of an engineering, procurement, and construction agreement by and among the Transmission   
Developer, Castleton Power, LLC, and the NYISO.

C. LaFarge Substation

The Transmission Interconnection Studies for the Transmission Project identified that

certain Network Upgrade Facilities at the LaFarge Substation are required in connection with the Transmission Project. This work including, but not limited to, relay resetting, and drawing   
updates will be performed for the LaFarge Substation to reflect the new Line 8 Tap location in accordance with the terms of an engineering, procurement, and construction agreement by and among the Transmission Developer, LaFarge, and the NYISO.

D. ADM Milling

The Transmission Interconnection Studies for the Transmission Project identified that   
certain Network Upgrade Facilities at the ADM Milling Substation are required in connection   
with the Transmission Project. This work will be performed in accordance with the terms of an   
engineering, procurement, and construction agreement by and among the NYISO, Transmission   
Developer, and ADM Milling. The work will include performance of calculations for the   
resetting of relays, and the update to drawings to reflect the new line nomenclature.

4. Cost Estimates

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Description Estimated Cost

115 kV Milan Substation $1,128,000

115 kV North Catskill Substation $146,500

(assumes metering located at Churchtown)

115 kV Pleasant Valley Substation $365,800

345 kV Rock Tavern Substation $379,200

345 kV Roseton Switchyard $171,500

Rock Tavern 115kV SL Line Terminal $572,000

Total $2,763,000

5. Security

Pursuant to Article 11.4 of this Agreement, Transmission Developer will provide Connecting Transmission Owner with Security in the amount of $0.

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APPENDIX B

MILESTONES

1. Milestones for North Catskill, Milan, Pleasant Valley 115kV, Rock Tavern 345 kV, and

Roseton 345 kV

Milestone

1. Commence public involvement plan

2. Commence NYISO Facilities Study

3. Demonstrate adequate project

financing to NYISO

4. NYSPSC Article VII CECPN

Application for Principal   
Components deemed complete

5. Place orders of towers, poles, and

conductors

6. Complete the Facilities Study

7. Complete 30% design drawings for

Pleasant Valley Substation

8. Complete 30 % design drawings for

Milan Substation

9. Complete design drawings for Rock

Tavern Substation

10. Complete design drawings for North

Catskill Substation

11. Creation of a 3 way switch on new

tower 2159.1, supporting temporary shoo-fly outage coordination

(including affected CTO’s and   
NYISO), installation, and operation,

Date Responsible Party

Completed Transmission

Developer

Completed Transmission

Developer

Completed Transmission

Developer

Completed Transmission

Developer

Completed Transmission

Developer

Completed Connecting

Transmission Owner/ NYISO

Completed Connecting

Transmission Owner

Completed Connecting

Transmission Owner

Completed Connecting

Transmission Owner

March 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner

May 2021 Transmission

Developer

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Milestone

12. Detailed engineering and design

finalized for principle project components

13. Complete Final Issue for

Construction Packages for North Catskill Substation

14. Complete Final Issue for

Construction Packages for Milan Substation

15. Complete Final Issue for

Construction Packages for Rock Tavern Substation

16. Energize Churchtown Substation

17. Energize North Catkill Substation

from Churchtown

18. Complete NUF construction

19. Complete testing and commissioning

20. Initial Synchronization Date for

Transmission Project

21. In-Service Date for Transmission

Project; issue written notification of In-Service Date

22. Complete As Builts

23. Complete close out and final

invoicing

Date Responsible Party

July 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner/ Transmission

Developer

September 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner

December 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner

December 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner

May 2022 Transmission

Developer

May 2022 Transmission

Developer

November 2023 Connecting

Transmission Owner

December 2023 Connecting

Transmission Owner

December 2023 Connecting

Transmission Owner

December 2023 Connecting

Transmission Owner

September 2024 Connecting

Transmission Owner

October 2024 Connecting

Transmission Owner

This milestone schedule is contingent upon, but not limited to, outage scheduling, the

Connecting Transmission Owner’s and the Transmission Developer’s successful compliance with the requirements and timely completion of its obligations under this Agreement.

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2. Milestones for Rock Tavern 115 kV Substation - Rock Tavern to Sugarloaf (“RTS”)

Milestone

1. Submit 30% Transmission Line

Package for review

2. Execution of Asset Purchase Agreement

for Real Property Rights for the SL Line and associated assets

3. Submit 30% Substation Package for

review

4. Submit 60% Transmission Line Package

for review

5. Submit 60% Substation Package for

review

6. Submit 90% Substation Package for

review

7. Submit 90% Transmission Line Package

for review

8. Complete Environmental Management

& Construction Plan (“EM&CP”) permitting for Rock Tavern:

Site plan drawings, site section drawing, major equipment bill of material,

foundation plan with limits of

disturbance, erosion & sediment control plans and details

9. Issued for Construction Packages for

Substation

10. Submit to CTO for review the

Transmission Developer EM&CP

11. Start construction

Date Responsible Party

Completed Transmission

Developer

1Q2021 Connecting

Transmission

Owner/Transmission Developer

February 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner

May 2021 Transmission

Developer

December 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner

January 2021 Connecting

Transmission Owner

February 2022 Transmission

Developer

March 2022 Connecting

Transmission Owner

April 2022 Connecting

Transmission Owner

April 2022 Transmission

Developer

October 2022 Connecting

Transmission Owner

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Milestone

12. End to end testing for RTS project

13. Initial Synchronization Date for RTS

project

14. In-Service Date for RTS project; issue

written notification of In-Service Date

15. Complete As Builts

16. Complete project close out and final

invoicing

Date Responsible Party

October 2023 Connecting

Transmission

Owner/Transmission Developer

October 2023 Connecting

Transmission Owner

October 2023 Connecting

Transmission Owner

September 2024 Connecting

Transmission

Owner/Transmission Developer

October 2024 Connecting

Transmission Owner

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requirements and timely completion of its obligations under this Agreement.

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APPENDIX C

INTERCONNECTION DETAILS

1. Description of the Transmission Project

The Transmission Project Q543 - the New York Energy Solution Project - was

submitted by the Transmission Developer and National Grid and evaluated in the NYISO's

Public Policy Transmission Planning Process to address Segment B of the AC Transmission

Needs identified by the New York Public Service Commission in its December 17, 2015 order in   
its Case No. 12-T-0502. The NYISO Board of Directors selected the Transmission Project as the   
more efficient and cost-effective transmission solution to Segment B of the AC Transmission   
Needs on April 8, 2019. Transmission Developer and National Grid entered into the   
Development Agreement with the NYISO for purposes of constructing the Transmission Project   
and placing it in-service to satisfy the Public Policy Transmission Need. National Grid   
subsequently assigned its rights, duties, and obligations under the Development Agreement to   
Transmission Developer on March 10, 2020, giving Transmission Developer sole rights to the   
development of the Transmission Project. The Transmission Developer will develop the   
Transmission Project in accordance with the terms of the Development Agreement.

The Transmission Project will be mainly located in three counties (Rensselaer, Columbia   
and Dutchess) in the northern and mid-Hudson Valley, New York and includes the following   
new facilities that will be constructed, owned, and operated by the Transmission Developer:

• A new 345 kV/115 kV double-circuit transmission line from a new Knickerbocker   
 switching station to the existing Pleasant Valley substation, and the rebuild of   
 approximately 2.1 miles of the 115 kV Blue Stores Tap;

• A new 345 kV Knickerbocker switching station at the proposed, greenfield site in

Schodack, New York, which will house a bypassable two step 16.67%, 33.33% and 50%   
series compensator for the new 345 kV Knickerbocker to Pleasant Valley transmission   
line;

• Rebuild of the existing NYSEG Churchtown 115 kV switching station in Claverack, New   
 York, which will require decommissioning of the existing facility;

• Replacement of certain limiting element terminal equipment at the 345 kV Roseton

substation to increase the thermal rating of Roseton to East Fishkill 345 kV transmission line #305 and the 345 kV New Scotland substation to increase the thermal ratings on the New Scotland to Knickerbocker 345 kV transmission line #2A; and

• Two new 135 MVAR 345 kV capacitor banks electrically connected to the Pleasant   
 Valley 345 kV substation.

The Transmission Project includes additional upgrades to existing transmission facilities as identified by the NYPSC in its December 17, 2015 order identifying the AC Transmission Public Policy Transmission Needs.

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• Terminal upgrades of certain limiting elements to the Rock Tavern 345 kV substation and   
 Coopers Corners substation; and

• Upgrades to the Shoemaker to Sugarloaf 138 kV facilities. These originally identified

upgrades to the Shoemaker to Sugarloaf 138kV facilities have been modified through the   
NYISO sanctioned non-material determination (“NMD”) process. As was approved by   
the NYISO NMD evaluation/ vetting process, this portion of the Transmission Project   
now involves certain modifications to the Central Hudson 115 kV Rock Tavern   
Substation connecting to the Orange & Rockland 138 kV Sugarloaf Substation. These   
modification will be addressed in each of the Connecting Transmission Owner’s   
interconnection agreements.

Additional details concerning the Transmission Project are set forth in Appendices A and B of the Development Agreement.

2. Description of the Points of Interconnection and Points of Change of Ownership

The Points of Interconnection (“POI”) and Points of Change in Ownership (“PCO”) are identified in the table below and are shown in the POI one line diagrams that follow. The POI and PCO are the same location since the Transmission Project will not require any Connecting Transmission Owner’s Attachment Facilities. The POI/PCO locations are:

Transmission Line # Structure Structure Description of Change in

Line Designation Number Description Ownership

where where

POI/PCO Is POI/PCO Is

Located Located

Rock Tavern SL 1155 Deadend Transmission Developer

115 kV Tower ownership will include

Substation structure # 1155, jumper

towards loops from the CTO end of

Sugarloaf 115 the jumper loops, and

kV Substation conductor, and insulators on

Taps the Transmission Developer

end of the jumper loops,

heading back towards the

Sugarloaf 115kV Substation.   
Transmission Developer owns   
the OPGW to an including the   
splice box at the base of   
Tower 1155. CTO owns   
OPGW from that point into   
the Rock Tavern Substation.   
(See Figures C-1 and C-6)

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Transmission Line # Structure Structure Description of Change in

Line Designation Number Description Ownership

where where

POI/PCO Is POI/PCO Is

Located Located

Sugarloaf 115 SD/SJ 1241 Deadend CTO ownership will include

kV Substation Tower structure # 1241, jumper

Taps toward loops from the Transmission

New Jersey Developer end of the jumper

loops, conductor, and

insulators on the CTO end of   
the jumper loops, heading   
towards the JCP&L Vernon   
Substation. (See Figures C-2   
and C-6)

Pleasant 10 2395 Deadend Transmission Developer

Valley Tower ownership will include

towards Milan structure # 2395, jumper

Substation loops from the CTO end of

Tap the jumper loops, and

conductor, and insulators on   
the Transmission Developer   
end of the jumper loops   
heading north towards Milan   
Substation.

Transmission Developer owns   
the OPGW to and including   
the splice box at the base of   
Tower 2395. CTO owns   
OPGW from that point into   
the Pleasant Valley

Substation, including the fiber   
transition structure within the   
Substation. (See Figures C-3   
and C-6)

Milan towards T7 2269.3 Double circuit Transmission Developer

Blue Store Deadend ownership will include

Substation Tower structure # 2269.3, jumper

Tap loops from the CTO side of

the jumper loops, #T7

conductor, insulators from the   
Transmission Developer side   
of the jumper loops heading   
north towards the Blue Store   
Substation. CTO owns   
conductor from the POI into

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Transmission Line # Structure Structure Description of Change in

Line Designation Number Description Ownership

where where

POI/PCO Is POI/PCO Is

Located Located

the Milan Substation.

Transmission Developer owns   
OPGW to, and including, the   
splice box at base of structure   
2269.3. CTO owns OPGW   
from that point into the Milan   
Substation. (See Figures C-4   
and C-6)

Milan towards 10 2269.3 Double circuit Transmission Developer

Pleasant Deadend ownership will include

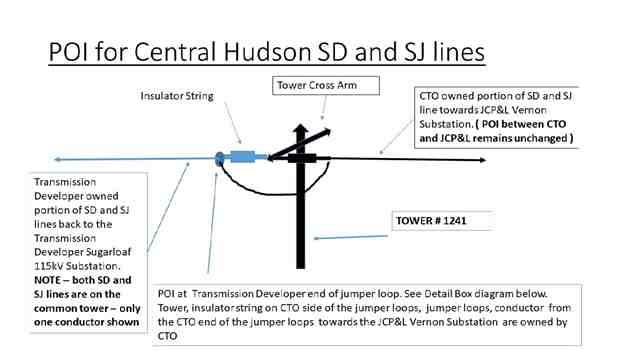
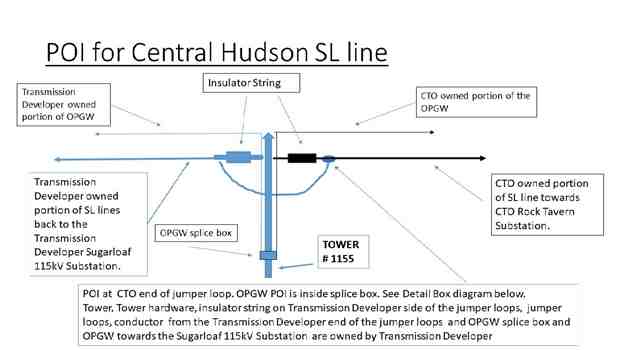
Valley Tower structure # 2269.3, jumper

Substation loops from the CTO side of

Tap the jumper loops, #10

conductor, insulators from the   
Transmission Developer side   
of the jumper loops heading   
south towards the Pleasant   
Valley Substation. CTO   
owns conductor from the POI   
into the Milan Substation.   
Transmission Developer owns   
OPGW to, and including, the   
splice box at base of structure   
2269.3. CTO owns OPGW   
from that point into the Milan   
Substation. (See Figures C-5   
and C-6)

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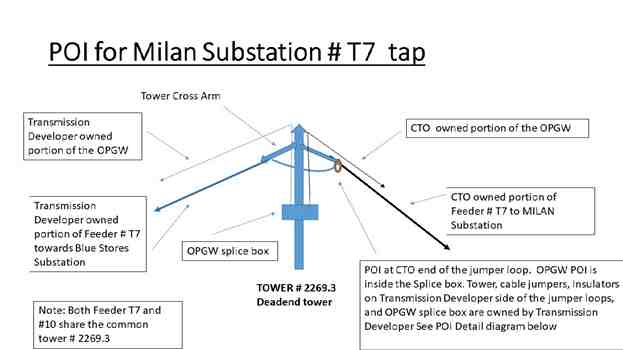
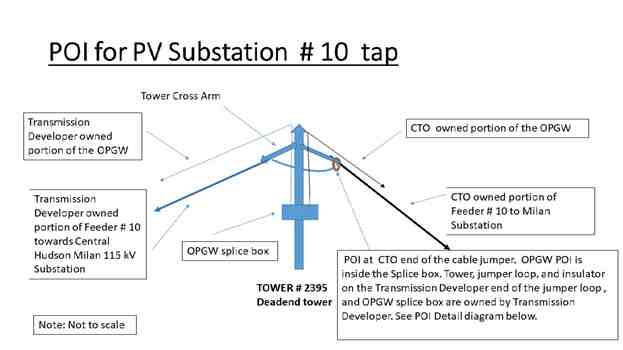


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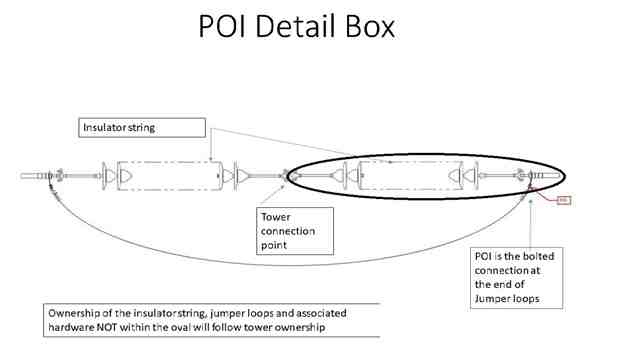
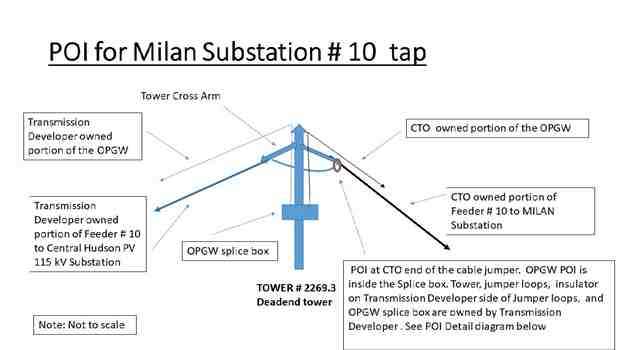


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3. Ownership/Control/Maintenance Responsibilities of Network Upgrade Facilities

Connecting Transmission Owner and Transmission Developer shall design, procure,   
construct, and install the Network Upgrade Facilities as specified in Appendix A hereto.   
Connecting Transmission Owner shall have physical ownership and control of the Network   
Upgrade Facilities. Transmission Developer shall retain financial ownership of the Network   
Upgrade Facilities to Connecting Transmission Owner and recover the costs associated with the Network Upgrade Facilities in accordance with Transmission Developer’s FERC-approved   
formula rate under the ISO OATT.

4. Temporary Operation Configuration Concerning Churchtown Substation

In order to demo NYSEG’s existing Churchtown Substation, and restore the existing

transmission paths between NYSEG, Connecting Transmission Owner and National Grid back to   
service, Transmission Developer will install new transmission structures to establish a temporary   
“Shoo-Fly” interconnection arrangement to install new transmission structures that bypass the   
existing Churchtown Substation and interconnect the affected transmission feeders. National   
Grid will install a jumper between Line #13 and Line #14 to make a 3 line terminal. The new   
transmission towers (one tower will support a temporary 3 way switch) and conductor to be   
utilized to effectuate the “Shoo-Fly” design will be owned by Transmission Developer and will   
remain in place as an integral component routing the reconductored feeders into the new   
Churchtown Substation once completed. Once the Churchtown Substation is in-service,   
Transmission Developer will remove the temporary 3 way switch. The Points of Interconnection   
for the temporary Shoo-Fly connections with Connecting Transmission Owner are as follows: a   
temporary 3 way switch will be installed on new transmission tower # 2159.1. Each of the   
switch terminals will connect to: (i) Line #13 - the National Grid owned portion towards Central   
Hudson PV115 Substation (POI at 3 way switch); (ii) Line # 14 - NYSEG’s Falls Park   
Substation (POI at 3 way switch) and (iii) Line # 984 to NYSEG’s Craryville Substation (POI at   
tower # 2159.5). The temporary Shoo-Fly interconnection arrangement is illustrated in Figure   
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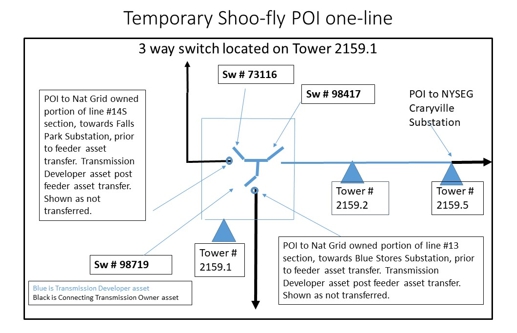
The Points of Interconnection for the temporary connections with the other affected

Connecting Transmission Owners will be included in the respective Transmission Project

Interconnection Agreements. The Transmission Developer will be responsible for the

maintenance of the 3-way switch and the maintenance of the access road to the structure 2159.1.

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5. Transmission Developer Operating Requirements

(a) Transmission Developer must comply with all applicable NYISO tariffs and

procedures, as amended from time to time.

(b) Transmission Developer and the affected Connecting Transmission Owners will   
coordinate the scheduling and, under the direction of the National Grid Transmission Control   
Center, the operation of the temporary 3 way switch on Structure 2159.1 until such time as the   
temporary 3 way switch is physically removed. Removal of the switch is anticipated to occur in   
May 2022.

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APPENDIX D

SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS DETAILS

Infrastructure security of New York State Transmission System equipment and

operations and control hardware and software is essential to ensure day-to-day New York State Transmission System reliability and operational security. The Commission will expect the   
NYISO, all Transmission Owners, all Transmission Developers and all other Market Participants to comply with the recommendations offered by the President’s Critical Infrastructure Protection Board and, eventually, best practice recommendations from the electric reliability authority. All public utilities will be expected to meet basic standards for system infrastructure and operational security, including physical, operational, and cyber-security practices.

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APPENDIX E-1

INITIAL SYCHRONIZATION DATE

[Date]

New York Independent System Operator, Inc. Attn: Vice President, Operations

10 Krey Boulevard

Rensselaer, NY 12144

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation

Attn: Greg Yozzo, Director - System Operations 284 South Avenue

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Email: gyozzo@cenhud.com Phone: 845-486-5616

New York Transco, LLC. Attn: Paul Haering

Vice President Capital Investments One Hudson City Center

Hudson, NY 12534

Phone: (518) 444-4880

Email: paul.haering@nytransco.com

Re: [Transmission Project/Network Upgrade Facilities]

Dear :

On [Date] [Transmission Developer/Connecting Transmission Owner] initially synchronized   
the [describe Transmission Project/Network Upgrade Facilities]. This letter confirms   
[Transmission Developer/Connecting Transmission Owner]’s Initial Synchronization Date   
was [specify].

Thank you.

[Signature]

[Transmission Developer/ Connecting Transmission Owner Representative]

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APPENDIX E-2

IN-SERVICE DATE

[Date]

New York Independent System Operator, Inc. Attn: Vice President, Operations

10 Krey Boulevard

Rensselaer, NY 12144

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation

Attn: Greg Yozzo, Director - System Operations 284 South Avenue

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601

Email: gyozzo@cenhud.com Phone: 845-486-5616

New York Transco, LLC. Attn: Paul Haering

Vice President Capital Investments One Hudson City Center

Hudson, NY 12534

Phone: (518) 444-4880

Email: paul.haering@nytransco.com

Re: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ [Transmission Project/Network Upgrade Facilities]

Dear \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_:

On [Date] [Transmission Developer/Connecting Transmission Owner] has completed Trial Operation of [describe Transmission Project/Network Upgrade Facilities]. This letter   
confirms that [describe Transmission Project/Network Upgrade Facilities] [has/have]   
commenced service, effective as of [Date plus one day].

Thank you.

[Signature]

[Transmission Developer/Connecting Transmission Owner Representative]

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APPENDIX F

ADDRESSES FOR DELIVERY OF NOTICES AND BILLINGS

Notices:

NYISO:

Before commercial operation of the Transmission Project:

New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

Attn: Vice President, System and Resource Planning

10 Krey Boulevard

Rensselaer, NY 12144   
Phone: (518) 356-6000   
Fax: (518) 356-6118

After commercial operation of the Transmission Project:

New York Independent System Operator, Inc. Attn: Vice President, Operations

10 Krey Boulevard

Rensselaer, NY 12144   
Phone: (518) 356-6000   
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Connecting Transmission Owner:

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation Attn: Greg Yozzo

Director - System Operations 284 South Avenue

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601   
gyozzo@cenhud.com

(W) 845-486-5616

Transmission Developer:

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Vice President Capital Investments One Hudson City Center

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Email: paul.haering@nytransco.com

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Billings and Payments:

Connecting Transmission Owner:

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation Attn: Accounts Payable

284 South Avenue

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601   
Email: ap@cenhud.com   
Fax: 845-486-5335

Transmission Developer:

New York Transco, LLC   
One Hudson City Center   
Hudson, NY 12534

Attn: Vice President, Capital Investments Phone: (518) 444-4880

Email: paul.haering@nytransco.com

Alternative Forms of Delivery of Notices (telephone, facsimile or email):

NYISO:

Before commercial operation of the Transmission Project:

New York Independent System Operator, Inc.

Attn: Vice President, System and Resource Planning

10 Krey Boulevard

Rensselaer, NY 12144   
Phone: (518) 356-6000   
Fax: (518) 356-6118

E-mail: interconnectionsupport@nyiso.com

After commercial operation of the Transmission Project:

New York Independent System Operator, Inc. Attn: Vice President, Operations

10 Krey Boulevard

Rensselaer, NY 12144   
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Fax: (518) 356-6118

E-mail: interconnectionsupport@nyiso.com

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Connecting Transmission Owner:

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation Attn: System Operations

284 South Avenue

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601   
Phone: 845-452-2700

Transmission Developer:

New York Transco, LLC   
One Hudson City Center   
Hudson, NY 12534

Attn: Vice President, Capital Investments Phone: (518) 444-4880

Email: paul.haering@nytransco.com

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