

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 22-T-0558 - Application of New York Power Authority and Clean Path New York LLC for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the Construction of Approximately 178 miles of Transmission Lines and Associated Facilities From Delhi, New York, to Queens, New York.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION FORUMS,
PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARINGS, AND SOLICITING COMMENTS

(Issued July 25, 2023)

On October 11, 2022, New York Power Authority and Clean Path LLC (Applicants) filed an application (Application) for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need (Certificate) pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law (PSL). If granted, the Certificate would authorize the Applicants to construct, operate, and maintain an approximately 178-mile-long, 1,300-megawatt (MW) High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) transmission line and associated facilities (the Project).

The Project, as proposed, would run from an interconnection point located at the Fraser Substation in Delaware County to one located at the Rainey Substation in Queens. The Project includes: an approximately 178-mile-long underground and submarine ± 400 -kilovolt (kV), 1,300-MW HVDC transmission line consisting of the following: (i) an underground transmission line beginning at a converter station in Delaware County and following existing right-of-way (ROW) owned or controlled by NYPA, New York State Electric and Gas Corporation (NYSEG), Metropolitan Transportation Authority Metro-North Railroad, New York State Department of Transportation, and New York City Department of Transportation

(NYCDOT) for 131 miles, terminating at a converter station in Queens; (ii) a submarine transmission line in the Hudson, Harlem, and East Rivers for 47 miles; (iii) six landfalls where the transmission line either enters or exits the rivers; (iv) a converter station in Delaware County, with an approximately 1-mile-long underground 345-kV High Voltage Alternating Current (HVAC) transmission line following existing NYPA and NYSEG ROW to the interconnection point at Fraser; and (v) a converter station at the Astoria energy complex in Queens, with an approximately 3-mile-long underground 345-kV HVAC transmission line following existing NYCDOT ROW to the interconnection point at Rainey.

In considering this Application, the Commission may adopt or reject the Applicants' proposal, in whole or part, or modify it. In doing so, the Commission will consider input from the participating parties and the public.

Information forums and public statement hearings will be held in this case. At the information forums, trial staff of the Department of Public Service will provide an overview of the Commission's certification process, the Applicants will present a brief summary of the proposed Project, and then members of the public will then have an opportunity to ask questions about the process and the Application. Those wishing to comment on any aspect of this proceeding will have the opportunity to comment on the record at the public statement hearings.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that information forums and public statement hearings will be held before an Administrative Law Judge as follows:

Date: August 15, 2023

**Location: Variety Boys & Girls Club of Queens
21-12 30th Road,
Long Island City, NY, 11102**

Time: Information Session - 7:00 p.m.
Public Statement Hearing - 7:30 p.m.

Date: August 16, 2023

Location: Croton-on-Hudson Free Library
171 Cleveland Drive
Croton-on-Hudson, NY 10520

Time: Information Session - 1:00 p.m.
Public Statement Hearing - 1:30 p.m.

Date: August 16, 2023

Location: SUNY Orange County Community College
115 South Street
Middletown, NY 10940

Time: Information Session - 6:00 p.m.
Public Statement Hearing - 6:30 p.m.

Date: August 17, 2023

Location: Village Hall
9 Court Street
Delhi, NY 13753

Time: Information Session - 1:00 p.m.
Public Statement Hearing - 1:30 p.m.

It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance, or present written material to speak at a hearing. Persons will be called to speak after completing a request card. Each public statement hearing will be held open a minimum of thirty minutes and will be kept open until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made to include their comments in the record. A verbatim transcript of the public statement hearings will be made for inclusion in the record of this proceeding.

Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should call the Department of Public Service's

Human Resource Management Office at (518)474-2520 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Department at (800)342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

The Application may be reviewed online at the Department of Public Service website, www.dps.ny.gov. To access documents, click on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), and enter "22-T-0558" in the "Search by Case Number" field. The Application is also available for review at local public libraries in the project vicinity.

Other Ways to Comment

For those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at the public statement hearings, there are several other ways to provide your comments to the Commission. Comments should refer to "Case 22-T-0558." **Although comments will be accepted throughout the course of this proceeding, they are requested by October 20, 2023.**

Internet or Mail: Go to www.dps.ny.gov, click on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission Files"), enter "22-T-0558" in the "Search by Case Number" field, and then click on the "Post Comments" box at the top of the page. Alternatively, comments may be mailed to the Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York, 12223-1350.¹ All written comments will become part of the record considered by the Commission and may be accessed on the Department of Public Service website by

¹ Filing electronically is strongly encouraged.

searching the case number, as described above, and clicking on the "Public Comments" tab.

Toll-Free Opinion Line: Individuals may choose to submit comments by calling the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to receive comments about pending cases from in-State callers 24-hours a day. These comments are not transcribed verbatim, but a summary is provided to the Commission.

(SIGNED)

MICHELLE L. PHILLIPS
Secretary



Department of Public Service

Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350
www.dps.ny.gov

Public Service Commission
Rory M. Christian
Chair and
Chief Executive Officer

Diane X. Burman
James S. Alesi
Tracey A. Edwards
John B. Howard
David J. Valesky
John B. Maggiore
Commissioners

July 31, 2023

Dear Community Leader/Elected Official:

On October 11, 2022, New York Power Authority and Clean Path LLC filed an application with the New York State Public Service Commission (Commission), pursuant to Article VII of the Public Service Law, for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need regarding the Clean Path Transmission Project. If granted, the Certificate would authorize the construction, operation, and maintenance of approximately 178 miles of electric transmission line from the Town of Delhi, Delaware County to a point of interconnection in Astoria, Queens County, New York.

The proposed Project is comprised of underground and submarine components and will travel through portions of Delaware, Dutchess, New York, Orange, Putnam, Queens, Rockland, Sullivan, and Westchester counties (see figure on reverse side). The 131 miles of underground cable begins at the Fraser Substation in Delaware County and follows existing right-of-way owned by various state and New York City agencies, as well as utility companies and ends at the Rainey Substation in Queens. The submarine portion includes a 47-mile transmission line in the Hudson, Harlem, and East Rivers, including six landfalls where the line enters or exits the rivers. The onshore components would include a 2,000-foot underground cable route and a substation facility within the power complex.

The Commission will hold a series of public statement hearings between **August 15 and August 17, 2023**, to seek input and comments from your community regarding the proposed Clean Path project. Prior to each hearing, the Commission will hold information forums where staff of the Department of Public Service will provide an overview of the Commission's certification process and the Applicants will provide a summary of the Project. Members of the public will have an opportunity to ask questions.

The enclosed announcement provides detailed information on how to participate in the informational forums and public statement hearings along with how to submit comments regarding the application. Information regarding the case, including a copy of the report, can be found at www.dps.ny.gov. From the homepage, click on "File Search" (located under the "Commission Files" heading) and enter the associated case number (**22-T-0558**) in the "Search by Case Number" field.

I would appreciate your assistance with informing your constituents about the public statement hearings and encouraging them to provide comments. It is the Commission's intent to facilitate and encourage active and meaningful participation throughout all its proceedings. We hope you will consider joining us.

Regards,



Richard Berkley
Consumer Advocate and Director
Office of Consumer Services

Proposed Clean Path transmission line:

