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Subject: **CASE 12-T-0502** - Alternating Current Transmission Upgrades.
CASE 13-E-0488 - Alternating Current Transmission Upgrades– Comparative Proceeding.
CASE 13-T-0454 - North America Transmission Corporation and North America Transmission, LLC – Alternating Current Transmission Upgrade Project.
CASE 13-T-0455 - NextEra Energy Transmission New York, Inc. – Marcy to Pleasant Valley Project.
CASE 13-T-0456 - NextEra Energy Transmission New York, Inc. – Oakdale to Fraser Project.
CASE 13-M-0457 - New York Transmission Owners – Electric Transmission Facilities in Multiple Counties in New York State.
CASE 13-T-0461 - Boundless Energy NE, LLC – Leeds Path West Project.

Dear Mr. Pratt:

The NYISO submits this letter in the above-entitled proceedings in response to your July 24, 2015 letter to Graham Jesmer, counsel to New York State Department of Public Service (DPS) Staff. Your letter contains statements that the NYISO has made announcements regarding the goal and focus of these proceedings at an off-the-record technical conference that the NYISO did not make. On page 20 of your letter, you state that “[t]he NYISO identified the goal for this proceeding as follows . . .” and that “NYISO announced two significant changes in the goal of these proceedings.” You further state on page 21 that “the NYISO announced at the Technical Conference that no longer was the focus of these proceedings on the UPNY-SENY interface (as stated in the NYISO’s February 14, 2014 Screening Analysis) . . .” Finally, you state that “(t)hese recommendations endorse a particular form of analysis by the NYISO, which Trial Staff and the NYISO now appear to be changing.”

To correct the record, the NYISO has made no announcements or statements regarding the focus of these proceedings. Rather, the NYISO has conducted power flow analyses in accordance with the mandatory planning criteria established by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, the Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc., and the New York

State Reliability Council. Accordingly, the NYISO has conducted and reported the results of powerflow analyses of the 22 portfolios of transmission solutions under N-1-1 conditions. At the direction of DPS Staff, the NYISO has also conducted and reported the results of transfer capability analysis under N-1 conditions. Moreover, the NYISO has made no announcements regarding the goals of these proceedings. Those goals were established by the New York State Public Service Commission's orders in these proceedings. Finally, the statements at the technical conference regarding the use of N-1 conditions that you attribute to the NYISO were made by DPS Staff, and any comments thereon should be directed to them.

Very truly yours,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon each person designated on the official service lists compiled by the Secretary in these proceedings.

Dated at Rensselaer, NY this 29th day of July, 2015.

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