

300 Westage Business Center, Suite 380 Fishkill, New York 12524 T 845 896 2229 F 845 896 3672 cuddyfeder.com

December 22, 2021

## **BY HAND**

Hon. Bruce Flower, Chair, And Members of the Planning Board Town Hall 20 Middlebush Road Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

Barbara Roberti, Zoning Administrator/Director of Strategic Planning Town Hall 20 Middlebush Road Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

Re: Application for Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corp. ("Central Hudson")

Replacement of KM Electric Transmission Line

Dear Chairperson Flower and Members of the Planning Board:

Enclosed please find an application from Central Hudson (the "Applicant") for approval to replace an existing electric transmission line, known as the "KM Line", within an existing public utility right-of-way ("ROW") that traverses in a northwest direction from the border of the Myers Corners Substation on Myers Corners Road (Town of Wappinger), to the area just west of Victor Lane (Town of Poughkeepsie). The total length of the proposed replacement project is approximately 2.8 miles, with 1.7 miles within Wappinger and 1.1 miles within Poughkeepsie.

The KM Line has existed in the ROW for nearly one-hundred years. The KM Line has reached the end of its useful life due to substantial infrastructure degradation and needs to be replaced. The Project details are more fully described in the Project Description included as Attachment C. It is anticipated that the Town of Wappinger Planning Board will serve as the SEQRA Lead Agency for the Project as discussed in the Environmental Assessment Form package. *See* Attachment E.

The Project is permitted under zoning, subject to obtaining site plan approval in conjunction with a wetland permit from the Planning Board. In addition to an application for Planning Board Review, Central Hudson is requesting a Flood Plain Permit from the Zoning Administrator.



December 22, 2021 Page 2

Nineteen copies of the following documents are enclosed.

- Completed Town of Wappinger Checklist and Application for Site Plan Approval, together with completed Application forms for a Wetland Permit and a Flood Plain Permit;
- Full EAF, with Attachments A through J listed below;
  - o Attachment A: Parcel List
  - o Attachment B: Figures, including Location Map
  - Attachment C: Project Description
  - o Attachment D: List of Local Permits
  - Attachment E: Evaluation of the Magnitude and Importance of Impacts
  - o Attachment F: Agency Correspondence
  - o Attachment G: Construction Information Summary
  - o Attachment H: Correspondence from Daniel D. McClure, P.E.
  - o Attachment I: Visibility Report
  - Attachment J: Agricultural Data Statement<sup>1</sup>

Nineteen copies of the Project Plan and Profile Plan Set, dated December 2021, are enclosed. Two copies of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan ("SWPPP") $^2$  and two copies of a Wetland Delineation Report are also included for reference.  $^3$ 

Enclosed please also find six checks made payable to the Town in the amounts of \$1500 (Site Plan Application), \$150 (Wetland Permit Application), \$150 (Floodplain Development Application), \$7500 (Site Plan Escrow Deposit), \$1000 (Wetland Permit Escrow), and \$250 (Floodplain Development Escrow Deposit) representing all applicable application fees and escrow deposits

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Project is not located within an Agricultural District in the Town of Poughkeepsie. The Agricultural Data Statement involves only certain parcels located within the Town of Wappinger.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Two copies of the SWPPP and Wetland Report are provided as these technical documents are voluminous. Central Hudson is happy to provide additional copies upon request from the Town or for the Board's convenience.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Project does not propose any work within regulated wetlands or buffer areas within the Town of Poughkeepsie, while it includes within the Town of Wappinger the replacement of twelve existing poles within such wetland areas.



December 22, 2021 Page 3

We look forward to appearing before the Planning Board on January 19, 2022. In the meantime, should the Board, or Staff have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Anthony F. Morando

cc: Susan Dao, Building Inspector/Stormwater Management Officer

Jim Horan, Esq. Planning Board Attorney

Malcolm Simpson, Town Planner

Mike Bodendorf, PE., Planning Board Engineer Brian Dimisko, Central Hudson Project Manager Greg Liberman, EDR Senior Project Manager