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Chairman Bruce Flowers & Members of the Town of Wappinger Planning Board  
20 Middlebush Road  
Wappingers Falls, NY 12590

Re: Central Hudson Gas & Electric – Chelsea HPFF DC Cable Terminal Replacement  
River Road North  
Town of Wappinger, New York  
Town Escrow Number: 24-3493

Sent via email to Bea Ogunti: [bogunti@townofwappingerny.gov](mailto:bogunti@townofwappingerny.gov)

Dear Chairman Flowers and Planning Board Members:

Hudson Land Design (HLD) is in receipt of submittal by CHA Consulting, Inc. on behalf of their client, Central Hudson Gas & Electric. The proposal calls for the replacement of an existing underground electric cable terminal and includes the construction of a temporary access road through a utility right-of-way to provide access to the site. The project scope requires coverage under the NYS SPDES General Permit for Stormwater Discharges from Construction Activity (GP-0-20-001). The applicant's consultants have submitted the following documents in support of the proposal:

1. Cover letter dated July 25, 2024;
2. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan last revised June 2024; and
3. Site Plans (12 sheets) last revised July 25, 2024.

HLD's review is limited to the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and aspects of the Site Plans that relate to the SWPPP, stormwater management, and erosion & sediment control. Our comments on the submitted materials are as follows:

1. The SWPPP addresses only erosion & sediment control practices. This is allowable for underground/overhead utility installations and temporary access roads. This can be considered an ancillary part of an underground/overhead utility. *Acknowledged.*

2. Comment partially satisfied. Plans currently state that the existing transition station to be relocated away from slope, the note should be expanded to clarify that the gravel surface will be removed as well.
3. Comment satisfied. The transition station is not a traditional building.
4. Comment satisfied. The current Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan used by CHG&E for their operations of the Hudson River cable crossing has been provided as an appendix to the SWPPP and is reference on the site plans. The document describes emergency measures for spills related to cable crossing system operation and maintenance.
5. Comment satisfied. SHPO has issued a letter of no adverse impacts.
6. Comment satisfied. Grading is no longer shown for the temporary access drive. The new construction detail on Sheet C-502 shows the temporary access road being placed on existing ground with only vegetation removal required.

This concludes our review of the submitted materials at this time. Future submittals shall include a written response addressing the items contained within this letter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call my direct line at 845-765-8955.

Sincerely,



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Principal

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