

(2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.

(3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.

(4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education.

If you mail your application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

(1) A private metered postmark.

(2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service.

If your application is postmarked after the application deadline date, we will not consider your application.

**Note:** The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, you should check with your local post office.

#### c. *Submission of Paper Applications by Hand Delivery.*

If you qualify for an exception to the electronic submission requirement, you (or a courier service) may deliver your paper application to the Department by hand. You must deliver the original and two copies of your application, by hand, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address: U.S. Department of Education, Application Control Center, Attention: (CFDA Number 84.229A), 550 12th Street, SW., Room 7041, Potomac Center Plaza, Washington, DC 20202-4260.

The Application Control Center accepts hand deliveries daily between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30:00 p.m., Washington, DC time, except Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays.

**Note for Mail or Hand Delivery of Paper Applications:** If you mail or hand deliver your application to the Department—

(1) You must indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 11 of the SF 424 the CFDA number, including suffix letter, if any, of the competition under which you are submitting your application; and

(2) The Application Control Center will mail to you a notification of receipt of your grant application. If you do not receive this grant notification within 15 business days from the application deadline date, you should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 245-6288.

#### V. Application Review Information

**Selection Criteria:** The selection criteria for this program are from 34 CFR sections 655.31, 669.21, and 669.22 and are listed in the application package.

#### VI. Award Administration Information

1. **Award Notices:** If your application is successful, we notify your U.S.

Representative and U.S. Senators and send you a Grant Award Notification (GAN). We may notify you informally, also.

If your application is not evaluated or not selected for funding, we notify you.

2. **Administrative and National Policy Requirements:** We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the *Applicable Regulations* section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grant.

3. **Reporting:** At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. If you receive a multi-year award, you must submit an annual performance report that provides the most current performance and financial expenditure information as directed by the Secretary in 34 CFR 75.118. You are required to use the electronic data instrument International Resource Information System (IRIS) to submit annual and final performance reports. You may view the LRC program IRIS performance reporting screens and instructions at the following site: <http://iris.ed.gov/iris/pdfs/LRC.pdf>.

The Secretary may also require more frequent performance reports under 34 CFR 75.720(c). For specific requirements on reporting, please go to <http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/appforms/appforms.html>.

4. **Performance Measures:** The performance and efficiency measures for evaluating the overall effectiveness of the LRC Program are:

**LRC Performance Measure 1:** Number of outreach activities that are adopted or disseminated within a year.

**LRC Performance Measure 2:** Percentage of LRC projects judged to be successful by the program officer, based on a review of information provided in annual performance reports.

**LRC Efficiency Measure:** Cost per high-quality, successfully completed LRC project.

#### VII. Agency Contact

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cynthia Dudzinski, U.S. Department of Education, 1990 K Street, NW., room 6077, Washington, DC 20006-8521. Telephone: (202) 502-7589 or by e-mail: [cynthia.dudzinski@ed.gov](mailto:cynthia.dudzinski@ed.gov).

If you use a TDD, call the FRS, toll free, at 1-800-877-8339.

#### VIII. Other Information

**Accessible Format:** Individuals with disabilities can obtain this document and a copy of the application package in an accessible format (e.g., braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the program contact person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** in Section VII of this notice.

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To use PDF, you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site.

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**Delegation of Authority:** The Secretary of Education has delegated authority to Daniel T. Madzellan, Director, Forecasting and Policy Analysis for the Office of Postsecondary Education, to perform the functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education.

Dated: March 2, 2010.

**Daniel T. Madzellan,**

*Director, Forecasting and Policy Analysis.*

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#### ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

##### Publication of State Plan Pursuant to the Help America Vote Act; Correction

**AGENCY:** U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC).

**ACTION:** Notice; correction.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Election Assistance Commission published a document in the **Federal Register** on February 10, 2010, concerning Puerto Rico's amended State plan. The document contained the wrong States.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bryan Whitener, 202-566-3100.

##### Correction

In the **Federal Register** of February 10, 2010, in the FR Doc. 2010-2919, on page 6643, in the second and third

column, correct the **SUMMARY** caption to read:

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to sections 254(a)(11)(A) and 255(b) of the Help America Vote Act (HAVA), Public Law 107-252, the U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) hereby causes to be published in the **Federal Register** changes to the HAVA State plans previously submitted by Puerto Rico.

Dated: March 2, 2010.

**Thomas R. Wilkey,**  
*Executive Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

[OE Docket No. PP-362]

### Application for Presidential Permit; Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc.

**AGENCY:** Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, DOE.

**ACTION:** Notice of application.

**SUMMARY:** Champlain Hudson Power Express, Inc. (CHPEI) has applied for a Presidential permit to construct, operate, maintain, and connect an electric transmission line across the United States border with Canada.

**DATES:** Comments, protests, or requests to intervene must be submitted on or before April 5, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, protests, or requests to intervene should be addressed as follows: Dr. Jerry Pell, Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability (OE-20), U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Jerry Pell (Program Office) at 202-586-3362 or via electronic mail at [Jerry.Pell@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Jerry.Pell@hq.doe.gov), or Lot H. Cooke (Attorney-Adviser) at 202-586-0503 or via electronic mail at [Lot.Cooke@hq.doe.gov](mailto:Lot.Cooke@hq.doe.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The construction, operation, maintenance, and connection of facilities at the international border of the United States for the transmission of electric energy between the United States and a foreign country is prohibited in the absence of a Presidential permit issued pursuant to Executive Order (EO) 10485, as amended by EO 12038.

On January 27, 2010, CHPEI filed an application with the Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability of the Department of Energy (DOE) for a Presidential permit. CHPEI is a joint venture of TDI-USA Holdings

Corporation (TUHC), a Delaware corporation, and National Resources Energy, LLC (NRE). TUHC, the majority shareholder in CHPEI, is a wholly owned subsidiary of Transmission Developers Inc. (TDI), a Canadian Corporation. NRE is a wholly owned subsidiary of National RE/sources Group, a limited liability corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut.

CHPEI proposes to construct and operate a primarily underground and submarine high-voltage direct current (HVDC) electric transmission line that will originate at an HVDC converter station in Quebec, Canada, and ultimately terminate in Yonkers, New York, and Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The proposed CHPEI project (the "Project") would be a 2,000-megawatt (MW) HVDC Voltage Source Converter (VSC) controllable transmission system, comprising two 1,000-MW HVDC bipoles, each of which would include two submarine or underground cables connected as a bipole pair. Each bipole will at all times utilize its partner in the bipole pair as a metallic return. The ground will never be used as a return. In total, four cables would be laid between Quebec and the converter stations in New York City, where two will be terminated. The remaining two would continue to Bridgeport, Connecticut.

From the U.S.-Canada border, the submarine transmission cables would be routed through Lake Champlain and travel south to the northern entrance of the Champlain Canal, near Whitehall, New York. To the extent practicable, the submerged cables would continue through the Champlain Canal to Fort Edward, where the canal joins the Hudson River. CHPEI expects that the transmission cables would exit the Champlain Canal near Lock C8, and the cables would be buried within a railroad ROW for a distance of approximately 69.9 miles (107.7 km). The cables would re-enter the Hudson River near the Town of Coeymans, downstream from the City of Albany, N.Y. South of Coeymans, the proposed alignment follows the Hudson River to the New York City metropolitan area.

Two cables (one bipole) would terminate approximately 318.7 miles (512.9 km) south of the U.S.-Canada border at an HVDC converter station near Wells Avenue in Yonkers, New York. The remaining two cables would continue along the Hudson River to the entrance of Spuyten Duyvil Creek, and then follow a 65.8-mile-long (105.9 km) route through Spuyten Duyvil Creek, the Harlem River, and the East River into Long Island Sound before terminating at

a converter station near 1 W Avenue in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

Submarine or underground alternating current (AC) cables would transmit electricity from the converter stations to existing substations connected to the electrical grid. From the Yonkers converter station, 345-kV AC cables would re-enter the Hudson River and travel south along the East River, Spuyten Duyvil Creek, and the Harlem River for a distance of approximately 6.7 miles (10.8 km). The AC cables would terminate at the existing Consolidated Edison (ConEd) Sherman Creek/Academy substation, near the intersection of West 201st Street and 9th Street, in Manhattan.

From the Bridgeport converter station, 345-kV AC cables would extend for a distance of approximately 150 feet (45.7 m) to the existing Singer substation, owned and operated by the United Illuminating Company.

The applicant represents that the Project's precise final route would be subject to a number of factors, including resource issues, permitting, land acquisition, and stakeholder agreement. The 384.5-mile-long (618.8 km) portion of the Project located within the United States would be owned and operated by the applicant.

Since the restructuring of the electric industry began, resulting in the introduction of different types of competitive entities into the marketplace, DOE has consistently expressed its policy that cross-border trade in electric energy should be subject to the same principles of comparable open access and non-discrimination that apply to transmission in interstate commerce. DOE has stated that policy in export authorizations granted to entities requesting authority to export over international transmission facilities. Specifically, DOE expects transmitting utilities owning border facilities to provide access across the border in accordance with the principles of comparable open access and non-discrimination contained in the Federal Power Act and articulated in Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order No. 888 (Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Services by Public Utilities; FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,036 (1996)), as amended. In furtherance of this policy, DOE invites comments on whether it would be appropriate to condition any Presidential permit issued in this proceeding on compliance with these open access principles.

*Procedural Matters:* Any person desiring to become a party to this