



May 30, 2012

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Re: Energy Highway Request for Information

Dear Mr. Quiniones:

NextEra Energy Transmission, LLC ("**NextEra Transmission**") and NextEra Energy Resources, LLC ("**Energy Resources**"), both wholly owned, indirect subsidiaries of NextEra Energy, Inc. ("**NEE**"), respectfully submit comments to the Energy Highway Request for Information ("**RFI**").

In summary, our recommendation is that the New York Power Authority ("**NYPA**"), potentially in conjunction with other New York State agencies, issue a Request for Proposals ("**RFP**") for new sources of electricity supply downstate, and renewable generation statewide, with a view toward securing the equivalent of at least 2,000 MW of incremental capacity by 2018. Qualifying sources of electricity supply should: include transmission, generation and combined solutions; not be limited to wholly in-state resources; and include brownfield as well as greenfield options. In addition, we suggest the RFP should invite innovative proposals for public-private partnerships. Our company currently is evaluating an array of potential solutions, and stands ready to submit specific projects in response to an RFP when issued.

Our Company is a Clean Energy Leader

Our comments are informed by industry-leading expertise and scale in the development, financing, construction, ownership, operation and maintenance of fossil and renewable power generation projects, as well as electric transmission systems. NEE is a leading, diversified clean energy company with 2011 revenues of more than \$15.3 billion and, as of Dec. 31, 2011, more than 41,000 megawatts of generating capacity and approximately 15,000 employees in 24 states and Canada. Headquartered in Juno Beach, Florida, our principal subsidiaries are Energy Resources and Florida Power & Light Company ("**FPL**"). Energy Resources together with its affiliated entities is the largest generator of wind and solar renewable energy in North America. FPL serves approximately 4.6 million customer accounts in Florida, and is one of the largest rate-regulated electric utilities in the country. NextEra Transmission is an experienced developer of electric transmission infrastructure,

which benefits from the full capabilities of Energy Resources and FPL, including FPL's extensive experience with overhead lines, and buried and submarine cables.

Our Commitment to New York is Longstanding and Growing

We have a long-term commitment to the State of New York. Currently, we operate the Bayswater and Jamaica Bay generation facilities, providing Long Island with a total of 110 MW of simple cycle natural gas and oil peaking capacity. In addition, our Marcus Hook combined cycle facility, which is located south of Philadelphia, is contracted with the Long Island Power Authority ("LIPA") to provide 685 MW of capacity to Long Island via the Neptune Cable.

Our company continues to pursue opportunities to further increase our investment in New York. Recently, we submitted three proposals into LIPA's 2,500 MW generation and transmission RFP. We have also been developing the Watkins Glen wind energy project in Schuyler and Chemung Counties in New York.

New York Faces an Urgent Energy Challenge

We believe the most urgent energy challenge facing the state is the threat posed by the potential retirement of more than 2,000 MW of downstate generation capacity over the next several years. The result could be a supply gap for most of the state's population, with significant associated reliability and economic impacts. New York does not yet have the supply resources to address this very real possibility as well as the potential consequences for customers and the broader economy.

There are other key challenges which can be addressed at the same time, with a view toward reducing energy costs, enhancing energy security and reliability, improving environmental quality, meeting the state renewable portfolio standard, and creating jobs. In generation, these include the repowering of existing facilities downstate, and construction of new renewables throughout the state. In transmission, these include the replacement of aging infrastructure, expansion of north-south transfer capability, deployment of the latest Smart Grid technologies, and integration of new renewables, all while making efficient use of existing rights of way.

The Best Way to Meet This Challenge is via an RFP

NYPA and LIPA have previously used a combination of RFPs and bilateral negotiations. These procurement processes have successfully produced reliable and cost-effective generation and transmission solutions. This is a proven approach and we see no reason why it cannot be applied in this instance.

The RFP could be issued by NYPA, potentially in conjunction with other public agencies such as the New York State Public Service Commission, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority. Our understanding is that NYPA can procure generation and transmission anywhere in the State of New York, which makes NYPA uniquely capable of efficiently and effectively procuring these urgently needed resources. Ultimately cost allocation will also need to be addressed: if NYPA is procuring resources for the benefit of most of the state's population, it will need a way to pass on those costs in an equitable manner to the ultimate beneficiaries.

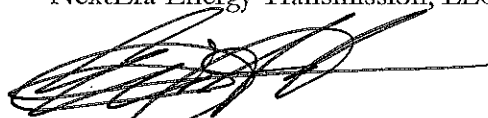
We envision that, at a minimum, the following resources would be eligible:

- Standalone Transmission Project
- Combined Transmission Project with Upstate or Out-of-State Generating Facility
- New or Repowered Downstate Generating Facility
- New Renewable Energy Generating Facility

In addition, we suggest that the RFP should, in addition to more traditional commercial arrangements such as power purchase agreements, invite innovative proposals for public-private partnerships.

In conclusion, we appreciate your consideration of our comments, and look forward to working together to secure New York's energy future.

Very truly yours,
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