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ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT GRANTED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 71, TITLE 36 OF THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of New York has declared that it is in the public interest to encourage the remediation of abandoned and likely contaminated properties ("sites") that threaten the health and vitality of the communities they burden while at the same time ensuring the protection of public health and the environment; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of New York has declared that it is in the public interest to establish within the Department a statutory environmental remediation program that includes the use of Environmental Easements as an enforceable means of ensuring the performance of operation, maintenance, and/or monitoring requirements and the restriction of future uses of the land, when an environmental remediation project leaves residual contamination at levels that have been determined to be safe for a specific use, but not all uses, or which includes engineered structures that must be maintained or protected against damage to perform properly and be effective, or which requires groundwater use or soil management restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the State of New York has declared that Environmental Easement shall mean an interest in real property, created under and subject to the provisions of Article 71, Title 36 of the New York State Environmental Conservation Law ("ECL") which contains a use restriction and/or a prohibition on the use of land in a manner inconsistent with engineering controls which are intended to ensure the long term effectiveness of a site remedial program or eliminate potential exposure pathways to hazardous waste or petroleum; and

WHEREAS, Grantor, is the owner of real property located at the address of 215 Sconondoa Street in the City of Oneida, County of Madison and State of New York, known and designated on the tax map of the County Clerk of Madison as tax map parcel numbers: Section 30.64 Block 2 Lot 16, being the same as that property conveyed to Grantor by deeds dated December 5, 1902, July 23, 1920 and December 19, 1962 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office in Liber and Page 222/92, 261/156 and 603/741, respectively. The property subject to this Environmental Easement (the "Controlled Property") comprises approximately 2.105 +/-acres, and is hereinafter more fully described in the Land Title Survey dated August 5, 2016 prepared by Robert H. Korosec, L.L.S. of Thew Associates Land Surveyors, which will be attached to the Site Management Plan. The Controlled Property description is set forth in and attached hereto as Schedule A; and

WHEREAS, the Department accepts this Environmental Easement in order to ensure the

protection of public health and the environment and to achieve the requirements for remediation established for the Controlled Property until such time as this Environmental Easement is extinguished pursuant to ECL Article 71, Title 36; and

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein and the terms and conditions of Order on Consent Index Number: D0-0001-9210, Grantor conveys to Grantee a permanent Environmental Easement pursuant to ECL Article 71, Title 36 in, on, over, under, and upon the Controlled Property as more fully described herein ("Environmental Easement").

- 1. <u>Purposes</u>. Grantor and Grantee acknowledge that the Purposes of this Environmental Easement are: to convey to Grantee real property rights and interests that will run with the land in perpetuity in order to provide an effective and enforceable means of encouraging the reuse and redevelopment of this Controlled Property at a level that has been determined to be safe for a specific use while ensuring the performance of operation, maintenance, and/or monitoring requirements; and to ensure the restriction of future uses of the land that are inconsistent with the above-stated purpose.
- 2. <u>Institutional and Engineering Controls</u>. The controls and requirements listed in the Department approved Site Management Plan ("SMP") including any and all Department approved amendments to the SMP are incorporated into and made part of this Environmental Easement. These controls and requirements apply to the use of the Controlled Property, run with the land, are binding on the Grantor and the Grantor's successors and assigns, and are enforceable in law or equity against any owner of the Controlled Property, any lessees and any person using the Controlled Property.
 - A. (1) The Controlled Property may be used for:

Commercial as described in 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(g)(2)(iii) and Industrial as described in 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(g)(2)(iv)

- (2) All Engineering Controls must be operated and maintained as specified in the Site Management Plan (SMP);
- (3) All Engineering Controls must be inspected at a frequency and in a manner defined in the SMP;
- (4) The use of groundwater underlying the property is prohibited without necessary water quality treatment as determined by the NYSDOH or the Madison County Department of Health to render it safe for use as drinking water or for industrial purposes, and the user must first notify and obtain written approval to do so from the Department;
- (5) Groundwater and other environmental or public health monitoring must be performed as defined in the SMP;
- (6) Data and information pertinent to Site Management of the Controlled Property must be reported at the frequency and in a manner defined in the SMP;

- (7) All future activities on the property that will disturb remaining contaminated material must be conducted in accordance with the SMP;
- (8) Monitoring to assess the performance and effectiveness of the remedy must be performed as defined in the SMP;
- (9) Operation, maintenance, monitoring, inspection, and reporting of any mechanical or physical components of the remedy shall be performed as defined in the SMP;
- (10) Access to the site must be provided to agents, employees or other representatives of the State of New York with reasonable prior notice to the property owner to assure compliance with the restrictions identified by this Environmental Easement.
- B. The Controlled Property shall not be used for Residential or Restricted Residential purposes as defined in 6NYCRR 375-1.8(g)(2)(i) and (ii), and the above-stated engineering controls may not be discontinued without an amendment or extinguishment of this Environmental Easement.
- C. The SMP describes obligations that the Grantor assumes on behalf of Grantor, its successors and assigns. The Grantor's assumption of the obligations contained in the SMP which may include sampling, monitoring, and/or operating a treatment system, and providing certified reports to the NYSDEC, is and remains a fundamental element of the Department's determination that the Controlled Property is safe for a specific use, but not all uses. The SMP may be modified in accordance with the Department's statutory and regulatory authority. The Grantor and all successors and assigns, assume the burden of complying with the SMP and obtaining an up-to-date version of the SMP from:

Site Control Section
Division of Environmental Remediation
NYSDEC
625 Broadway
Albany, New York 12233
Phone: (518) 402-9553

- D. Grantor must provide all persons who acquire any interest in the Controlled Property a true and complete copy of the SMP that the Department approves for the Controlled Property and all Department-approved amendments to that SMP.
- E. Grantor covenants and agrees that until such time as the Environmental Easement is extinguished in accordance with the requirements of ECL Article 71, Title 36 of the ECL, the property deed and all subsequent instruments of conveyance relating to the Controlled Property shall state in at least fifteen-point bold-faced type:

This property is subject to an Environmental Easement held by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation

pursuant to Title 36 of Article 71 of the Environmental Conservation Law.

- F. Grantor covenants and agrees that this Environmental Easement shall be incorporated in full or by reference in any leases, licenses, or other instruments granting a right to use the Controlled Property.
- G. Grantor covenants and agrees that it shall, at such time as NYSDEC may require, submit to NYSDEC a written statement by an expert the NYSDEC may find acceptable certifying under penalty of perjury, in such form and manner as the Department may require, that:
- (1) the inspection of the site to confirm the effectiveness of the institutional and engineering controls required by the remedial program was performed under the direction of the individual set forth at 6 NYCRR Part 375-1.8(h)(3).
 - (2) the institutional controls and/or engineering controls employed at such site:
 - (i) are in-place;
- (ii) are unchanged from the previous certification, or that any identified changes to the controls employed were approved by the NYSDEC and that all controls are in the Department-approved format; and
- (iii) that nothing has occurred that would impair the ability of such control to protect the public health and environment;
- (3) the owner will continue to allow access to such real property to evaluate the continued maintenance of such controls;
- (4) nothing has occurred that would constitute a violation or failure to comply with any site management plan for such controls;
- (5) the report and all attachments were prepared under the direction of, and reviewed by, the party making the certification;
- (6) to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, the work and conclusions described in this certification are in accordance with the requirements of the site remedial program, and generally accepted engineering practices; and
 - (7) the information presented is accurate and complete.
- 3. <u>Right to Enter and Inspect</u>. Grantee, its agents, employees, or other representatives of the State may enter and inspect the Controlled Property in a reasonable manner and at reasonable times to assure compliance with the above-stated restrictions.
- 4. <u>Reserved Grantor's Rights</u>. Grantor reserves for itself, its assigns, representatives, and successors in interest with respect to the Property, all rights as fee owner of the Property, including:
- A. Use of the Controlled Property for all purposes not inconsistent with, or limited by the terms of this Environmental Easement;
- B. The right to give, sell, assign, or otherwise transfer part or all of the underlying fee interest to the Controlled Property, subject and subordinate to this Environmental Easement;

5. Enforcement

A. This Environmental Easement is enforceable in law or equity in perpetuity by Grantor, Grantee, or any affected local government, as defined in ECL Section 71-3603, against the owner of the Property, any lessees, and any person using the land. Enforcement shall not be defeated because of any subsequent adverse possession, laches, estoppel, or waiver. It is not a defense in any action to enforce this Environmental Easement that: it is not appurtenant to an interest in real property; it is not of a character that has been recognized traditionally at common law; it imposes a negative burden; it imposes affirmative obligations upon the owner of any interest in the burdened property; the benefit does not touch or concern real property; there is no privity of estate or of contract; or it imposes an unreasonable restraint on alienation.

- B. If any person violates this Environmental Easement, the Grantee may revoke the Certificate of Completion with respect to the Controlled Property.
 - C. Grantee shall notify Grantor of a breach or suspected breach of any of the terms of this Environmental Easement. Such notice shall set forth how Grantor can cure such breach or suspected breach and give Grantor a reasonable amount of time from the date of receipt of notice in which to cure. At the expiration of such period of time to cure, or any extensions granted by Grantee, the Grantee shall notify Grantor of any failure to adequately cure the breach or suspected breach, and Grantee may take any other appropriate action reasonably necessary to remedy any breach of this Environmental Easement, including the commencement of any proceedings in accordance with applicable law.
 - D. The failure of Grantee to enforce any of the terms contained herein shall not be deemed a waiver of any such term nor bar any enforcement rights.
- 6. <u>Notice</u>. Whenever notice to the Grantee (other than the annual certification) or approval from the Grantee is required, the Party providing such notice or seeking such approval shall identify the Controlled Property by referencing the following information:

County, NYSDEC Site Number, NYSDEC Brownfield Cleanup Agreement, State Assistance Contract or Order Number, and the County tax map number or the Liber and Page or computerized system identification number.

Parties shall address correspondence to:

Site Number: 727008

Office of General Counsel

NYSDEC

625 Broadway

Albany New York 12233-5500

With a copy to:

Site Control Section

Division of Environmental Remediation

NYSDEC 625 Broadway Albany, NY 12233

All notices and correspondence shall be delivered by hand, by registered mail or by Certified mail and return receipt requested. The Parties may provide for other means of receiving and communicating

notices and responses to requests for approval.

- 7. <u>Recordation</u>. Grantor shall record this instrument, within thirty (30) days of execution of this instrument by the Commissioner or her/his authorized representative in the office of the recording officer for the county or counties where the Property is situated in the manner prescribed by Article 9 of the Real Property Law.
- 8. <u>Amendment</u>. Any amendment to this Environmental Easement may only be executed by the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation or the Commissioner's Designee, and filed with the office of the recording officer for the county or counties where the Property is situated in the manner prescribed by Article 9 of the Real Property Law.
- 9. <u>Extinguishment.</u> This Environmental Easement may be extinguished only by a release by the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, or the Commissioner's Designee, and filed with the office of the recording officer for the county or counties where the Property is situated in the manner prescribed by Article 9 of the Real Property Law.
- 10. <u>Joint Obligation</u>. If there are two or more parties identified as Grantor herein, the obligations imposed by this instrument upon them shall be joint and several.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Grantor has caused this instrument to be signed in its name.

Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation d/b/a National Grid:

Title: Director, Env. Magt Date: 2/21/2017

Grantor's Acknowledgment

STATE OF NEW YORK) ss:

On the At day of February in the year 2017, before me, the undersigned, personally appeared farle f. willard, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument, the individual(s), or the person upon behalf of which the individual(s) acted, executed the instrument.

Notary Public - State of New York

DIANE K MARTINEZ NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEW YORK

ONONDAGA COUNTY

LIC. #01MA6238551

THIS ENVIRONMENTAL EASEMENT IS HEREBY ACCEPTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, Acting By and Through the Department of Environmental Conservation as Designee of the Commissioner, By: Division of Environmental Remediation Grantee's Acknowledgment STATE OF NEW YORK) ss: **COUNTY OF ALBANY** day of March, in the year 20 17 before me, the undersigned, personally appeared Robert W. Schick, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual(s) whose name is (are) subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/ executed the same in his/her/ capacity as Designee of the Commissioner of the State of New York Department of Environmental Conservation, and that by his/het/ signature of the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the Instrument. Notary Public -**\$**tate of New York

County: Madison Site No: 727008 Order on Consent Index: D0-0001-9210

David J. Chiusano
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01CH5032146
Qualified in Schenectady County
Commission Expires August 22, 20

SCHEDULE "A" PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Environmental Easement

to be Acquired by
New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
from
Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation

Surveyor's Description
Contains: 2.105 Acres

All that tract or parcel of land situate in the City of Oneida, County of Madison, and State of New York, and being more precisely described as follows:

Commencing at the southeasterly corner of a two story masonry building known as the "Central Distributing Company", located at the northeasterly corner of the intersection formed by Sconondoa Street (49.5 foot width) with South Lake Street (49.5 foot width), said building corner having New York State plane coordinates (NAD83/2011 — Central Zone) of 1,130,042.95 feet North and 1,069,881.94 feet East;

thence South 58 degrees 12 minutes 16 seconds East a distance of 69.82 feet to a point in the centerline of Sconondoa Street, said point being on the reputed easterly line of a parcel of land owned by the City of Oneida (no deed reference), said point having New York State plane coordinates (NAD83/2011) of 1,130,006.16 feet North and 1,069,941.28 feet East, said point also being the **Point of Beginning**;

thence along the reputed easterly line of the City of Oneida, said line being five feet distant easterly, and parallel to, the former top of bank of the tail race the following three courses and distances:

- 1. North 20 degrees 42 minutes 41 seconds East a distance of 216.60 feet to a 5/8-inch rebar with a 1 1/4-inch diameter red plastic cap marked "THEW ASSOCIATES UTICA NY" (herein after referred to as a 5/8-inch rebar), said course passing over a hole drilled in a concrete sidewalk on the northerly right-of-way of Sconondoa Street at a distance of 25.50 feet;
- 2. North 27 degrees 08 minutes 08 seconds East a distance of 172.89 feet to a set 5/8-inch rebar;
- 3. North 52 degrees 52 minutes 52 seconds East, in part along the southerly line of the City of Oneida (no deed reference) and in part along the southerly line of a parcel of land conveyed by Louis K. Esengard as Chamberlain of the City of Oneida to the City of Oneida by deed dated January 10, 1980 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on February 7, 1980 in Liber 719 of Deeds at Page 609 a distance of 64.54 feet to a set 5/8-inch rebar;

thence North 39 degrees 02 minutes 24 seconds East, along the southerly line of the City of Oneida (Liber 719 — Page 609), a distance of 14.84 feet to a 5/8-inch rebar set on the westerly line of a parcel of land conveyed by Exotic Enterprises, Inc. to The New York Central Railroad Company by deed dated September 8, 1959 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on October 27, 1959 in Liber 629 of Deeds at Page 62;

thence along the westerly line of The New York Central Railroad Company, the following three courses and distances:

1. South 23 degrees 34 minutes 05 seconds East a distance of 72.95 feet to a set 5/8-inch rebar;

2. South 19 degrees 20 minutes 05 seconds East a distance of 160.24 feet to a set 5/8-inch rebar;

3. South 17 degrees 59 minutes 05 seconds East a distance of 245.66 feet to a point in the centerline of Sconondoa Street, said course passing over a hole drilled in a concrete sidewalk on the northerly right-of-way of Sconondoa Street at a distance of 218.39 feet;

thence North 83 degrees 10 minutes 36 seconds West, along the centerline of Sconondoa Street, a distance of 377.01 feet to the **Point of Beginning**.

To contain 2.105 acres of land, more or less.

The above-described parcel of land is intended to be the same premises conveyed by Oneida Gas Light Company to the Madison County Gas and Electric Company by deed dated December 11, 1901 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on February 24, 1902 in Liber 207 of Deeds at Page 186, the same premises conveyed by Ferdinand M. Aufsesser, Jonas M. Barnet and Gates Barnet as executors of the last will and testament of Myer Barnet, deceased to the Madison County Gas & Electric Company of Oneida, NY by deed dated March 24, 1902 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on April 15, 1902 in Liber 208 of Deeds at Page 105, the same premises conveyed by The New York Ontario & Western Railway Co. to The Madison County Gas & Electric Co. by deed dated December 5, 1902 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on May 24, 1907 in Liber 222 of Deeds at Page 92, the same premises conveyed by the New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company to the Adirondack Electric Power Corporation by deed dated June 17, 1920 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on October 18, 1920 in Liber 261 of Deeds at Page 275, and the same premises conveyed by The New York Central Railroad Company to Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation by deed dated December 19, 1962 and recorded in the Madison County Clerk's Office on February 20, 1963 in Liber 603 of Deeds at Page 741.

The above-mentioned coordinates, bearings, and distances are referenced to the North American Datum of 1983, 2011 adjustment (NAD8 3 /2011), projected on the New York State Plane Coordinate System (Central Zone).

A map of the above-described parcel of land, dated August 5, 2016, was prepared by Thew Associates PE-LS, PLLC, and is distinguished as Drawing No. UK583-05-16.