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Dear property owner:

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation will begin work on rebuilding an existing electric transmission line near or on your property to help meet the energy needs of local communities in your area and to enhance electric service reliability. After a lengthy review process with state regulators, through public hearings and by meetings with individual property owners, the project was granted approval earlier this year.

The transmission lines, named "A" and "C," begin in East Fishkill and travel through the towns of Wappinger and LaGrange, terminating in Pleasant Valley. The poles and lines were originally put into service in 1948, and are in need of replacement. Rebuilding the line is an important investment in the electric infrastructure serving your neighborhood.

The project is expected to begin in July starting in East Fishkill, Wappinger and LaGrange. Crews will work northward and are expected to reach the Bushwick Road area in the Town of Lagrange by the end of this year. Work will continue from there toward Pleasant Valley, as winter weather permits, and it is anticipated that the project will be completed in mid-2016.

The line will be reconstructed within the existing right-of-way. Nearly all poles and wires will be replaced along the entire route, and some poles will be relocated within the easement, for example to span environmentally sensitive areas such as wetlands. The existing single and "H"-shaped wooden poles will be replaced by a streamlined and sturdy single pole design made of Coreten steel, which features a characteristic brown, wood-like patina to help blend with the landscape. The reconstructed line will operate at the same voltage as the original line.

Typical activities during the project will include:

- Placement of survey flags and temporary fencing (we kindly ask these not be disturbed);
- Development of entrances for equipment, vehicles and materials;
- Placement of wooden mats to protect environmentally sensitive and agricultural areas;
- Removal and proper disposal and recycling of existing poles and wires;
- Placement of new poles and wires; and
- When completed, removal of temporary fencing, mats and equipment, and restoration of surfaces.

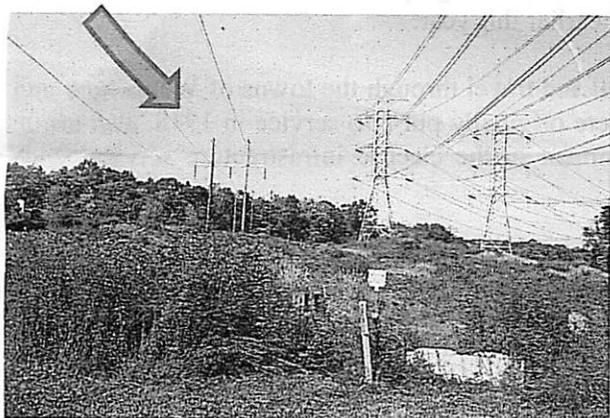
In reconstructing the transmission line, Central Hudson has taken many factors into consideration and we will seek to avoid sensitive environmental resources as well as minimize interference with the residential community. Our intent is to reconstruct this critical electric infrastructure in a manner that will be compatible with the community and the environment.

Contractors for Central Hudson will be performing the majority of the work, and will be overseen by utility employees and representatives of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and the New York Public Service Commission. Central Hudson is also working in cooperation with the affected municipalities and Dutchess County. This important project will allow this critical transmission line to meet the current and future energy needs of the Dutchess County communities it serves.

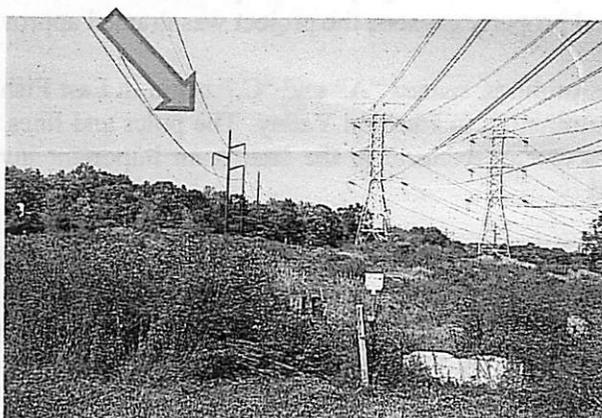
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As previously illustrated, below is a rendition showing an example of the line's appearance in an area where it shares a right-of-way with a larger transmission line owned by another utility. The existing Central Hudson line, shown on the photo at left, is on the left (depicted by the arrow) and is constructed of wood poles, in this location as an "H"-shaped wooden frame. A rendition of the newly constructed line, in the photo at right, is shown as a single metal pole with a brown patina.



*Existing pole structure and line*



*Rendition of new pole and line*

A project map is enclosed to provide an overview of where activities will take place. Detailed maps for each section of the project, project filings, studies and other information are available at [www.CentralHudson.com/AC](http://www.CentralHudson.com/AC).

You will receive an additional notification letter approximately one week to one month before construction activities are scheduled to take place near your property. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the project, please contact Central Hudson's dedicated project line at **845-486-5342**.

The project is under the jurisdiction of the New York State Public Service Commission, which is responsible for enforcing compliance with environmental and construction conditions, and which may be contacted at:

Secretary: [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov), phone (518) 474-4535;

Department of Public Service OEEE Compliance Section: phone (518) 486-7322.

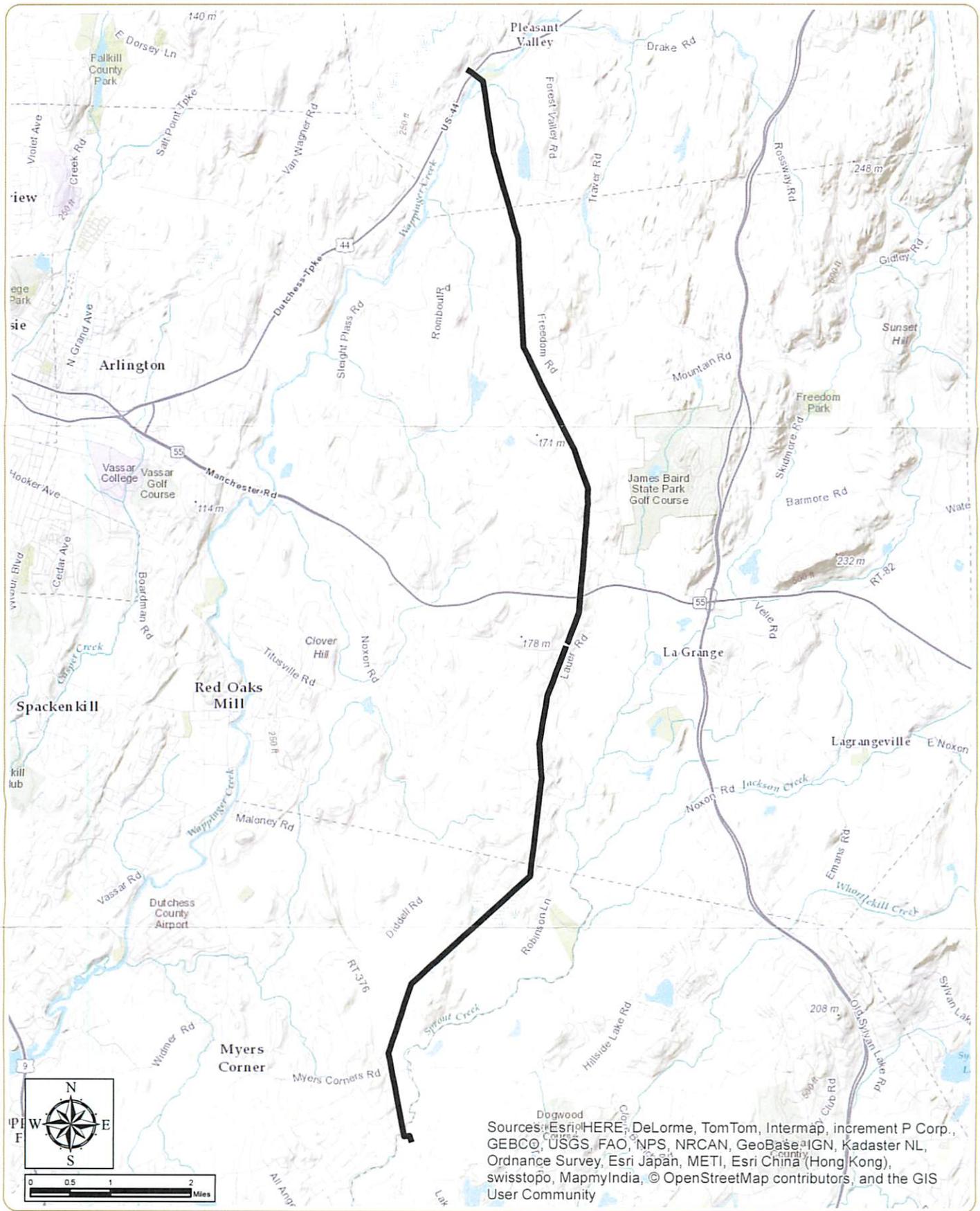
Thank you for your cooperation and understanding as we rebuild this important part of the electric system serving our region.

Yours truly,

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### CHG&E A&C Lines Article VII Project

Towns of Pleasant Valley, LaGrange, Wappinger, and East Fishkill,  
Dutchess County, New York

#### A and C Lines

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Notes: 1. Basemap: ESRI Online USA Topo Maps.

2. This is a color graphic. Reproduction in grayscale may misrepresent the data.

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