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 <p><b>NEW YORK</b> STATE OF OPPORTUNITY.</p> <p><b>Adirondack Park Agency</b></p> <p>PO Box 99 · 1133 NYS Route 86 Ray Brook, NY 12977 Tel: (518) 891-4050 www.apa.ny.gov</p>	<p><b>APA General Permit/Order 2019G-1</b></p>	<p>Permit #: 2024-0180</p>
	<p><b>Certification for the Replacement of Certain Utility Poles</b></p>	

This certification under General Permit 2019G-1 is granted to New York State Electric and Gas, authorizing the replacement of utility poles as described herein in the Town of Altona, Clinton County.

All terms and conditions of this certification shall apply to the applicant and any individual, contractor, municipality, or other entity undertaking the authorized work on the project site.

This certification does not grant any right to trespass upon the lands or interfere with the riparian rights of others, nor does it authorize the impairment of any easement, right, title, or interest in real or personal property.

Nothing contained in this certification shall be construed to satisfy any legal obligations of the applicant to comply with all applicable laws and regulations or to obtain any governmental approval or permit from any entity other than the Agency, whether federal, state, regional, or local.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION AS PROPOSED**

The project as conditionally approved herein involves replacement of an existing 34-foot-tall utility pole. The replacement pole will have a finished overall height of 43 feet above grade.

The project is shown on a Site Plan titled, "James Demarais," prepared by Rod Pelletier, and dated June 22, 2024.

A reduced-scale copy of the Site Plan for the project dated July 8, 2024, is attached to this certificate for easy reference. The original, full-scale maps and plans described in this paragraph are the official plans for the project, with copies available upon request from Adirondack Park Agency headquarters in Ray Brook, New York.

**CONDITIONS**

1. The height and location of the replacement utility poles and any associated vegetative cutting and maintenance shall comply with all applicable utility laws, regulations, safety requirements, and company specifications.

2. For projects involving wetlands:
  - a. Whenever practicable, access through wetlands shall occur on frozen ground and with the use of wide-tracked vehicles.
  - b. All activities shall occur in compliance with the "Best Management Practice for Preventing the Transportation of Invasive Plant Species," published by Environmental Energy Alliance of New York, 4/26/2012.
  - c. No temporary access structure, including bog mats and work pads, shall be located within a wetland for more than 30 days.
  - d. Existing poles to be replaced shall be removed completely from the wetland, including the portion of the pole that was below grade.
  - e. If any hole left after removal of a pole or created for a replacement pole is to be backfilled with gravel or other ballast, the top six inches shall be covered with organic soil and the final elevation shall be the same as the surrounding wetland surface.
  - f. The total area of wetland disturbance shall be limited to that necessary for replacement of the utility poles.
3. When brought from off-site, all vehicles, construction equipment, and hand excavation tools to be used on the project site shall be clean and free of soil, mud, or other similar material. If washed on the project site, equipment shall be washed in one location to prevent the distribution of propagules among different wash sites. All vehicles, construction equipment, and hand excavation tools used in areas that may contain existing invasive species shall be thoroughly cleaned prior to moving to other areas.
4. The Agency may conduct on-site investigations, examinations, and evaluations as it deems necessary to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of this certification.

CERTIFICATION issued this 9<sup>th</sup> day  
of July, 2024.

ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

David J. Plante, AICP CEP  
Deputy Director, Regulatory Programs

STATE OF NEW YORK  
COUNTY OF ESSEX

On the 9<sup>th</sup> day of July in the year 2024, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared David J. Plante, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that they executed the same in their capacity, and that by their signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

Stephanie L. Petith  
Notary Public

Stephanie L. Petith  
Notary Public, State of New York  
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