

**RESOLUTION NO. -2016, TO EXPAND THE SCOPE OF THE
ENERGY UTILITY LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 549-2014, as amended by Resolution 126-2015, established an Energy Utility Legislative Oversight Committee; and

WHEREAS, this oversight committee is charged with the responsibility of studying the rates, contracts and practices of LIPA, PSEG-LI and National Grid, including an examination of each utility's rate structure, variable rate system, use of peak/off peak rates and their storm and disaster response policies; and

WHEREAS, many Suffolk County residents continue to express concern about the safety of the utility's energy transmission system, including the installation and removal of transmission poles and cables; and

WHEREAS, the policies and practices of LIPA, PSEG-LI, and National Grid relating to the installation, removal and maintenance of their energy transmission systems should be within the purview of the oversight committee; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that the 1st Resolution clause of Resolution No. 549-2014, as amended by Resolution No. 126-2015, is hereby amended as follows:

1st RESOLVED, that a special Energy Utility Legislative Oversight Committee is hereby created to study and analyze the rates, contracts and practices of LIPA, PSEG-LI, and National Grid to determine if these organizations are working in the best interests of the Suffolk County ratepayers, including, but not limited to, an examination of each utility's rate structure, its variable rate system, the use of peak/off-peak rates, [and] its storm and disaster response policies and, where applicable, their policies and practices relating to the installation and maintenance of their transmission systems, including the installation and removal of utility poles and transmission cables; and be it further

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2nd RESOLVED, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

[] Brackets denote deletion of existing language

___ Underlining denotes addition of new language

DATED:

APPROVED BY:

County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: