

**APPENDIX C**  
**PROPOSED COMMISSION FINDINGS**

1. As one component of the portfolio of projects needed to satisfy the Commission-declared Long Island Offshore Wind Export Public Policy Transmission Need (“LI PPTN”), the Project will help to increase electric power transmission capability within Long Island and increase transmission capacity with the rest of the state. As a LI PPTN portfolio project, the Project will help to greatly increase Long Island’s power import and export capability, transmission capability across Long Island, and increase reliability.
2. The Project will be designed, constructed and operated in a manner that avoids or minimizes impacts to environmental resources. The nature of the probable environmental impacts resulting from the Project includes limited and temporary disturbance, including noise and debris, as well as traffic inconvenience, associated with construction activities.
3. The Project avoids or minimizes to the extent practicable any significant adverse environmental impact, considering the state of available technology and the nature and economics of the various alternatives, and other pertinent considerations. The Project does not traverse any agricultural lands, parklands, or river corridors, and traverses only two regulated wetland areas.
4. The entire Project will be located underground except for portions located at the Woodbury Tap and Oakwood Substations and its marshalling yard(s).
5. The Project conforms to the requirements and planning objectives of the New York Independent System Operator and is consistent with the Applicant’s long-range plan for the expansion of its transmission facilities. The Project will serve the interests of electric system economy and reliability and is consistent with the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act.
6. The location of the Project conforms to the substantive provisions of applicable state and local laws and regulations issued thereunder, except those local laws and regulations which the Commission refuses to apply because it finds, based on the justifications set forth in Exhibit 7, that as applied to the Project, such are unreasonably restrictive in view of the existing technology, or of factors of cost or economics, or of the needs of consumers whether located inside or outside of such municipality.
7. The Project will have no adverse impact on active farming operations that produce crops, livestock and livestock products, as defined in section three hundred one of the agriculture and markets law, considering the state of available technology and the nature and economics of various alternatives, and the ownership and easement rights of the impacted property.
8. Based on the entire record as listed on Appendix A, the Project will serve the public interest, convenience and necessity.