58 Brookside Drive West Shokan, NY 12494 April 3, 2021

Ms. Kimberly Bose Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20426

## Motion to be declared an Intervenor

**Docket P-15056** Premium Energy –Ashokan Pumped Storage Project

Dear Ms. Bose:

I respectfully request to be declared an Intervenor in the above-referenced case.

I own residential property in West Shokan, New York and live less than 1 mile downstream from the dam of the proposed Wittenberg upper reservoir.

The project poses serious physical risks to my family and my home. In the event of an error-either in design, construction or maintenance--we would be subject to personal injury, property damage, or even sudden death by drowning, due to inundation from the waters of the proposed upper reservoir. Given the large quantity of mistakes and omissions in Premium Energy's initial and amended applications, concern over the safety of the dam is very reasonable.

In addition to this very real risk, my single biggest asset--my home and property--will likely be reduced in value to practically nothing if this project proceeds as currently proposed. I do not expect my property to be taken by Eminent Domain because I am downstream of the reservoir and dam. The significant decrease in my property's value would be due to the pervasive dirt, noise and disruptions caused by a multi-year period of immense construction, the impoundment of the Maltby Hollow Brook which could destroy my well water supply, and by the permanent risk to life and property associated with living immediately downstream from a huge dam. On a continuing basis, there would also be an increase in the cost of liability insurance for my home and a decrease in our quality of life.

I am a graduate of Harvard University (BA, cum laude) and the University of Pennsylvania (MA, Communications and MBA Finance/Wharton School of Business). I think that I can make a positive contribution to the dialogue concerning Premium Energy's application.

I believe that I have a right to be at the table in this decision. Thank you for your consideration.

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