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Town Of Verona

Dear Landowner:

Our records indicate that your property, Tax Parcel(s): **269.000-2-15** located at or near **0000 Govt bldgs in Verona, Oneida County**, is crossed by or adjacent to a right-of-way (ROW) easement held by the New York Power Authority (NYPA) for the purpose of operating and maintaining the CE and MSU Lines. These transmission lines are a critical component of the electric transmission system for New York State. Safe and reliable transmission of electricity is important to all of us, as reinforced by major storm events causing electric power outages from trees growing into, falling on, or coming near overhead power lines. NYPA ensures the physical integrity of the lines and support structures through a program of regular preventive maintenance.

This year, NYPA will be performing preventive maintenance along the entire length and width of the ROW corridor using multiple contract crews from Lewis Tree Service, Inc. NYPA will target all tall growing trees within our ROW that threaten or potentially threaten the safe operation of the transmission lines. All vegetation debris will be handled in an environmentally appropriate manner.

Targeting the tall-growing trees promotes the growth of low growing compatible plants such as woody shrubs, herbaceous pollinators, ferns, vines, and grasses. This conversion of the ROW plant communities occurs through the carefully selected use of a variety of vegetation management tools to achieve the best results with the least disruption to the environment. Next year in 2027, these contract crews from Lewis Tree Service, Inc. will be conducting a quality assurance follow-up to ensure that all the work done in 2026 was completed to the satisfaction of NYPA. In areas where maintenance work was insufficient, this work will again be performed. These industry-standard procedures are accepted by the NYS Public Service Commission, the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and may entail the use of herbicides. NYPA is recognized as a "Right-of-Way Steward Utility" through the accreditation program of the Right-of-Way Stewardship Council. For more information, visit: <https://rowstewardship.org/ivm.php> or scan QR code 

NOTICE OF HERBICIDE APPLICATION: This letter constitutes the **written notice, required by law, to the occupants of a dwelling, owners of a multiple dwelling, building, or structure before the application of any herbicide on their premises. To view a copy of the information, including warnings, on the label or labels of the pesticide(s) that NYPA may use, please go to NYPA's webpage at:** <https://www.nypa.gov/power/transmission/transmission-operations-and-maintenance> 

Should you have any questions or wish to share with us your concerns regarding our transmission facilities maintenance or our ROW vegetation management program, please contact the appropriate individual listed below **within five business days** of receipt of this letter.

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