Job Impact Statement Exemption Form Hudson River – Black River Regulating District Grievance Hearing Procedures

Title 6, Park 606 of the Official Compilation of Codes, Rules and Regulations of the State of New York

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Pursuant to SAPA § 201-a(2)(a), a Job Impact Statement for the Proposed Rule additions is not required because it is apparent from the nature and purposes of the Proposed Rules that they will not have a substantial adverse impact on jobs and employment opportunities. The Proposed Rules are required to allow for the efficient administration of the apportionment grievance process.

The affected parties will include both commercial and non-commercial parties with property or interests lying within designated floodplains in either the Hudson River Area or the Black River Area. The majority of the affected parties will include non-commercial parties. The commercial parties primarily include non-FERC licensed hydropower entities and retail outlets, marinas, restaurants, warehouse and industrial facilities located within the floodplain adjacent to the Sacandaga and Hudson Rivers and similar commercial parties within similar floodplains for the Black, Beaver and Moose Rivers. These non-commercial and commercial parties own property within one or both of the Regulating District's two river areas. The proposed rules do not affect the Regulating District's authority to impose assessments upon affected parties, but rather provide clarity to the process necessary to successfully contest such charges. Therefore, there will be no impact on jobs.