STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 14-M-0101 - In the Matter of Reforming the Energy Vision.

NOTICE OF ADDITIONAL PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARING TO BE HELD IN WESTCHESTER COUNTY

(Issued January 26, 2015)

On January 7, 2015, the Secretary of the New York State Public Service Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Public Statement Hearings, announcing Public Statement Hearings to be held at five locations across the state concerning the Reforming the Energy Vision (REV) proceeding. An additional Public Statement Hearing will be held in Westchester County. The Public Statement Hearings will give members of the public an opportunity to be heard concerning the August 22, 2014 straw proposal issued by the Staff of the New York State Department of Public Service (Staff) entitled "Developing the REV Market in New York: DPS Staff Straw Proposal on Track One Issues." The straw proposal made numerous recommendations that the Commission will be considering in the context of this proceeding, designed to align electric utility practices and the Commission's regulation with technological advances that have created alternate ways to meet electricity demand. The Commission is considering a new business model for energy service providers where distributed energy resources -- such as distributed generation, storage, energy efficiency and demand response -- become a primary tool in the planning and operation of the electric system. Parties to the proceeding have filed comments and reply comments on the straw proposal, and hundreds of individuals have filed public comments through the Commission's website.

TAKE NOTICE that an additional opportunity for public information and comment will be held, as follows:

Tuesday February 10, 2015 Yonkers Public Library Grinton I. Will Branch 1500 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers, New York 10710

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Information Session 7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

In the hour prior to the Public Statement Hearing, representatives from Staff will present an information session on what the REV initiative means for customers and be available to answer questions. The information session will be immediately followed by the Public Statement Hearing where all those wishing to comment on REV and the straw proposal will have an opportunity to make a statement on the record. It is not necessary to be present at the start of the hearing, to make an appointment in advance, or to present written material to speak at the hearing. Persons will be called to speak after completing a request card. The public statement hearing will continue until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made. A verbatim transcript of the hearings will be made for inclusion in the record of these proceedings and will be posted on the Commission's website.

Disabled persons requiring special accommodations should call the Department of Public Service's Human Resources Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

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The Staff straw proposal may be reviewed on the Commission's website, <u>www.dps.ny.gov</u>, by selecting "Reforming the Energy Vision (REV)" at the top of the page and then, under "Related Documents" near the bottom of the page, selecting "August 22, 2014 - DPS Staff issues REV Straw Proposal." Public comments will be accepted throughout the pendency of this proceeding, but parties are encouraged to comment on Track One policy issues at the Public Statement Hearing, or by other means described below, prior to February 17, 2015. All comments will become part of the record considered by the Commission.

Other Ways to Comment

For those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing, there are several other ways to provide your comments to the Commission. Comments should refer to "Case 14-M-0101."

Via the Internet or Mail: The public may submit comments electronically to the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, at <u>secretary@dps.ny.gov</u>, or by mail or delivery to Secretary Burgess at the New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. Comments also may be entered directly into the case file from the Commission's website, <u>www.dps.ny.gov</u>, by clicking "Reforming the Energy Vision (REV)" at the top of the page and then clicking "Submitting Comments" near the middle of the page. Written comments may be read on the website by searching Case 14-M-0101 and clicking on the "Public Comments" tab.

Toll-Free Opinion Line: Individuals may choose to submit comments by calling the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This line is set up to receive in-state calls 24

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hours a day. These calls are not transcribed but a summary will be reported to the Commission.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS Secretary