

STATE OF NEW YORK  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 15-E-0302 - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to  
Implement a Large-Scale Renewable Program and a  
Clean Energy Standard.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARINGS

(Issued April 19, 2016)

On January 25, 2016, the Department of Public Service Staff (Department) released a White Paper on Clean Energy Standard (Staff White Paper) and the Commission issued a Notice for public comment. On April 8, 2016 the Department released a Clean Energy Standard White Paper - Cost Study (Cost Study) and the Commission issued a Notice for public comment and revised public comment deadlines on the Staff White Paper. The Notice provided that initial comments on the Staff White Paper are due April 22, 2016, and reply comments are due May 6, 2016. All comments on the Cost Study are due June 6, 2016.

In addition to written comments, the Department indicated its intention to conduct a series of public statement hearings for public information and comment on the CES. This Notice is to provide additional information pertaining to the public statement hearings that the Department will conduct across the State.

TAKE NOTICE that opportunities for public information and comment will be held, as follows:

**Binghamton**

**Tuesday, May 10, 2016  
Binghamton City Hall  
38 Hawley Street  
Binghamton, NY 13901**

<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Information Session</b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Public Statement Hearing</b>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Information Session</b>
<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Public Statement Hearing</b>

Amherst

Wednesday, May 11, 2016  
Town of Amherst  
Harlem Road Community Center  
4255 Harlem Road  
Amherst, NY 14226

2:00 PM Information Session  
3:00 PM Public Statement Hearing  
  
6:00 PM Information Session  
7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Rochester

Thursday, May 12, 2016  
Chili Town Hall  
3333 Chili Avenue  
Rochester, NY 14624

2:00 PM Information Session  
3:00 PM Public Statement Hearing  
  
6:00 PM Information Session  
7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Albany

Tuesday, May 17, 2016  
  
Colonie Town Hall  
534 New Loudon Road  
Latham, NY 12110

2:00 PM Information Session  
3:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Albany Law School  
East Wing School, Room E211  
80 New Scotland Avenue  
Albany, NY 12208

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

Plattsburgh

Wednesday, May 18, 2016  
Town of Plattsburgh  
Town Hall  
151 Banker Road  
Plattsburgh, NY 12901

2:00 PM Information Session  
3:00 PM Public Statement Hearing  
  
6:00 PM Information Session  
7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Oswego

Tuesday, May 24, 2016  
Oswego City Hall  
13 West Oneida Street  
Oswego, NY 13126

2:00 PM Information Session  
3:00 PM Public Statement Hearing  
  
6:00 PM Information Session  
7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Syracuse

Wednesday, May 25, 2016  
Carman Community Room  
Liverpool Public Library  
310 Tulip Street  
Liverpool, NY 13088

2:00 PM Information Session  
3:00 PM Public Statement Hearing  
  
6:00 PM Information Session  
7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Kingston

Thursday, May 26, 2016  
Kingston City Hall  
Council Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
420 Broadway  
Kingston, NY 12401

2:00 PM Information Session  
3:00 PM Public Statement Hearing  
  
6:00 PM Information Session  
7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

**Manhattan**

**Tuesday, May 31, 2016  
New York State Public Service Commission  
Boardroom, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
90 Church Street  
New York, New York 10007**

<b>2:00 PM</b>	<b>Information Session</b>
<b>3:00 PM</b>	<b>Public Statement Hearing</b>
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Information Session</b>
<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Public Statement Hearing</b>

In addition to the locations listed above, the Long Island Office of the Department of Public Service, will hold Public Statement Hearings on Long Island. These hearings will follow the same format as detailed below, and will be scheduled in the near future at which time details regarding the hearings will be posted on the Department's Long Island website:

[www.dps.ny.gov/longisland](http://www.dps.ny.gov/longisland).

In order to provide individuals with information in advance of the public statement hearings, the Department will host an informational webinar to offer an overview of the CES and Staff White Paper. The webinar will be held on May 3, 2016 from 1:00 P.M. to 2:00 P.M. Details and information regarding the webinar will be provided in a subsequent Notice. Following a presentation from Staff, webinar participants will have an opportunity to ask questions of Staff. For individuals unable to participate in the live webinar, a recording will be made available on the Commission's website.

All documents related to this proceeding are posted on the Department's website: [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov). From the website's home page, click on the "Search" button and enter "15-E-0302" in the "Search by Case Number" field. Those wishing to review the Staff White Paper and Cost Study may do so by accessing the following links: <http://tinyurl.com/zn837a8> and <http://tinyurl.com/hmjkmfa>, respectively. Alternatively, the

White Paper and Cost Study can be accessed through the Department's Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) web page, which can be found through the DPS website, [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), through the "Electric" web page link and then under "Electric Topics." Once on the RPS web page, the White Paper and Cost Study can be found under "Public Service Commission Documents."

During the hour prior to each public statement hearing, representatives from the Department will present a brief informational session on what the CES means for customers and communities, and will be available to answer questions. The information presented will be similar to that which will be presented during the webinar.

The informational sessions will be immediately followed by public statement hearings where all those wishing to comment on the CES will have an opportunity to make a statement on the record. Each public statement hearing will remain open for a minimum of one hour, and will continue until everyone wishing to speak has been heard or other reasonable arrangements have been made. It is not necessary 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. 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 Resource 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.

**Other Ways to Comment**

For those who prefer to make a public statement in writing in lieu of attending should do so by May 31 in one of the following ways:

Via internet or mail: Individuals may submit comments electronically into the case file from the Commission's website by access the case file through <http://tinyurl.com/jtaw44r>, and then clicking the "Post Comments" button near the top right of the webpage. Alternatively, individuals may access the case through the Department's website home page, [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov), by clicking on the "Search" button and entering 15-E-0302 in the "Search by Case Number" field. Comments may also be sent to the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov), or by mail or delivery to Secretary Burgess at the New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350. Written comments may be read on the website by clicking the "Public Comments" tab near the middle left of the webpage. Written comments become part of the public record reported to the Commission.

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

(SIGNED)

KATHLEEN H. BURGESS  
Secretary