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 AGENDA FOR CLEAN ENERGY STANDARD WORKSHOPS #2 AND #3 SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 9, 2016 AND MARCH 21, 2016

(Issued March 1, 2016)

On February 9, 2016, a Notice was issued on technical conference workshops (Workshop) regarding the Clean Energy Standard (CES). This Notice provides additional information for Workshops #2 and #3.

Workshops #2 and #3 will be technical in nature with the aim of exploring CES design parameters and analyses related to particular aspects of the CES. Workshop #2 will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2016, and will begin at 11:00 A.M. and end at 4:00 P.M. The purpose of Workshop #2 will be to discuss the CES Nuclear Tier designed to prevent premature closure of upstate nuclear facilities, further detailed below. Workshop #3 will be held on Monday, March 21, 2016, and will begin at 10:00 A.M. and end at 3:30 P.M. The purpose of Workshop #3 will be for Staff and relevant consultants to present on and discuss the CES Cost Impact Analysis and other topics related to CES, further detailed below.

Both Workshops will be held in the 19th Floor Boardroom, New York State Department of Public Service, Three Empire Plaza, Albany, New York, 12223-1350. The Workshops will be on-the-record, and the minutes shall enter the public record of this case. The workshops will be structured to provide information and to promote detailed technical discussions within the CES proceeding. While members of the audience will have the opportunity to pose questions by submitting notecards to Staff, public comment opportunities will be reserved for the series of public statement hearings being scheduled across New York State during the month of April.

Those who wish to attend, please contact Ms. Amanda Mulhern at <u>Amanda.Mulhern@dps.ny.gov</u> or 518-473-5267, and indicate which Workshop you plan to attend. For those wishing to join remotely, viewing will be made available through a live webcast, by accessing <u>http://tinyurl.com/DPS-Webcast-Schedule</u>. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mulhern.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS Secretary

Clean Energy Standard: Workshop #2 Wednesday, March 9, 2016 11:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

19th Floor Boardroom New York State Department of Public Service Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York

Workshop #2 will focus on the CES proceeding related to prevention of premature closure of upstate nuclear facilities in New York. As discussed in the Governor's instructions to the Department and further detailed in Staff's CES White Paper, maintaining operation of upstate nuclear facilities is important for ensuring that emission-free sources of electricity are available to further the State's emission reduction goals.

Workshop #2 will follow a roundtable format to elicit robust dialogue between select participants, the Chair of the Commission, and Department Staff. Topics will include, but not be limited to, the list noted below. A more detailed agenda will be provided before the Workshop.

- Determination of eligible costs related to Zero-Emissions Credits (ZECs)
 - a. Determination of costs to be recovered
 - b. Forecasts of energy, capacity and other revenues
 - c. Transparency and discussion of numbers
 - d. Formula and criteria for updating
- Calculation of eligible costs related to ZECs

 a. Frequency of cost and forecast price calculation for ZECs
 - b. Design approaches for addressing eligible costs of multiple eligible units (i.e., "bubble approach" versus unit-by-unit approach)
- Determination and calculation of Alternative Compliance Mechanism (ACP)
- 4. Implementation issues
 - a. Tracking of ZECs
 - b. Direction of ZEC/ACP revenue (e.g., to whom and how)
 - c. Number of ZECs needed for target

Clean Energy Standard: Workshop #3 Monday, March 21, 2016 10:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.

19th Floor Boardroom New York State Department of Public Service Three Empire State Plaza Albany, New York

The primary focus of Workshop #3 will be on the CES cost impact study. As discussed in the White Paper, as a condition for approving the CES, the Commission will need to evaluate an estimated range of costs. Cost projections will range depending on numerous assumptions, including the penetration of energy efficiency, the cost of new renewable generation projects, the market price trends of electric energy and capacity, and the types of procurement used. Staff is in the process of conducting such a cost impact study and will utilize this Workshop to present on various aspects of the analysis.

In addition, the Workshop will include a session to discuss the interaction of the CES with various technologies, including but not limited to energy storage, electric vehicles, geothermal heat pumps, biogas technologies, and fuel cells. This session will follow a roundtable-format discussion designed to elicit robust dialogue between select participants, the Chair of the Commission, and Department Staff.

A more detailed agenda for Workshop #3 will be provided prior to the Workshop.