## 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 ADDITIONAL PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARINGS
ON LONG ISLAND

(Issued May 3, 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. On April 29, 2016, a Notice Extending Reply Comment Period was issued, which extended the reply comment period to May 13, 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 on Long Island.

TAKE NOTICE that opportunities for public information and comment will be held in Suffolk, Queens, and Nassau counties, as follows:

Suffolk County Tuesday, May 17, 2016

Suffolk County Legislative Building

Evans Griffing Building 300 Center Drive

Riverhead, NY 11901

12:30 PM Information Session

1:30 PM Public Statement Hearing

6:00 PM Information Session

7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Queens County Wednesday, May 18, 2016

Knights of Columbus 333 Beach 90<sup>th</sup> Street

Rockaway Beach, NY 11693

12:00 PM Information Session

1:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

Nassau County Wednesday, May 18, 2016

Nassau County Legislative Building

1550 Franklin Ave Mineola, NY 11501

6:00 PM Information Session

7:00 PM Public Statement Hearing

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: <a href="www.dps.ny.gov">www.dps.ny.gov</a>. 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: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/zn837a8">http://tinyurl.com/zn837a8</a> and <a href="http://tinyurl.com/hmjkmfa">http://tinyurl.com/hmjkmfa</a>, 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, <a href="www.dps.ny.gov">www.dps.ny.gov</a>, 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 <a href="http://tinyurl.com/jtaw44r">http://tinyurl.com/jtaw44r</a>, 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, <a href="www.dps.ny.gov">www.dps.ny.gov</a>, 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 <a href="secretary@dps.ny.gov">secretary@dps.ny.gov</a>, 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.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS Secretary