STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 03-E-0188 - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission Regarding a Retail Renewable Portfolio Standard.

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF SIGNIFICANCE

(Issued March 18, 2003)

NOTICE is hereby given that a draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared in connection with a proposed action by the Public Service Commission to formulate a policy statement on retail renewable portfolio standards in New York State and potentially to establish implementation measures. This is based on the Commission's determination, pursuant to Part 617 of the implementing regulations pertaining to Article 8 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act of the Environmental Conservation Law, that such action may have a significant effect on the environment. The action contemplated is an unlisted action as defined in 6 NYCRR, Section 617.2.

The address of the Public Service Commission, the lead agency for purposes of environmental quality review of this action, is 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. For further information contact John Smolinsky at (518) 474-5368 or Christina Palmero at (518) 474-1612.

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