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 CHANGE TO DATE AND LOCATION OF TECHNICAL CONFERENCE AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON FUTURE TECHNICAL CONFERENCES AND PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARINGS

(Issued February 9, 2016)

On January 25, 2016, a Notice was issued concerning the scheduling of an on-the-record technical conference regarding the Clean Energy Standard (CES) for Thursday, February 25, 2016 and Friday, February 26, 2016 at the Empire State Plaza in Albany, New York.

The date and the location of the Technical Conference are changed. The technical conference workshop (Workshop) will be held only on Friday February 26, 2016 at the Public Service Commission's New York City office, located at 90 Church Street, New York, New York 10007. The Workshop will begin at 10:00 A.M. and end at 5:00 P.M. If you plan to attend, please contact Ms. Amanda Mulhern at Amanda Mulhern at Amanda.Mulhern@dps.ny.gov by Monday, February 22, 2016 to register and comply with security arrangements. For those wishing to join remotely, viewing will be made available through a live webcast. Information to access the live webcast of the Workshop will be provided at a later date.

The Department will also schedule subsequent Workshops in the month of March to address additional aspects of the CES. The purpose of these CES Workshops is to explore various aspects and issues related to renewable energy standards, with particular focus on topics presented in the Staff White Paper on

Clean Energy Standard that was issued on January 25, 2016 in this proceeding. Workshop panels will be designed and formatted to elicit robust dialogue between panelists and Department Staff on various CES topic areas as detailed below.

Individuals may express interest in participating in one of the Workshop panels scheduled for February 26, 2016 by contacting Ms. Amanda Mulhern at 518-473-5267, or Amanda.Mulhern@dps.ny.gov, by Friday, February 12, 2016.

Individuals wishing to participate in a Workshop panel should provide a very brief written statement describing their direct experience with the topic area of interest. If the number of individuals expressing interest in participating on a Workshop panel exceeds that which time will permit, Staff will work to ensure that all viewpoints are represented during the Workshop. Individuals that do not participate as part of a Workshop panel will have the opportunity to participate by submitting questions during each panel.

In addition to these CES Workshops, the Department will also conduct a series of public statement hearings across New York State during the month of April. These hearings will be complemented by information sessions to help inform the public about the CES. Details regarding dates, locations and format will be provided in a future Notice.

Clean Energy Standard: Workshop #1 Friday February 26, 2016 Public Service Commission New York City Office

Workshop #1 will focus exclusively upon aspects of renewable energy development and procurement as part of a renewable energy standard regime. Workshop panels will have a particular focus on select topic areas emphasized and discussed in the Staff White Paper. Topic areas include, but are not limited to the following:

1. Lessons Learned from the Region

This panel will specifically delve into what has and has not worked with respect to the development and implementation of renewable energy standards throughout the region. Regional implications of New York's CES will also be explored.

2. Achieving the goal of 50 percent renewables by 2030

This panel will explore the contours of CES compliance schedules, with particular focus on interim goals and annual targets as well as corresponding impact on CES stability and certainty.

3. Long-term contracting and other procurement mechanisms

Panels associated with this topic area will explore specific options for designing a CES that will stimulate cost-effective and efficient renewable energy development and procurement. The various panels will focus inquiry and dialogue on aspects of market mechanics as presented in the Staff White Paper, including but not limited to the following:

- a. Power-purchase agreements and self-initiated market development
- b. Mandated procurement of bundled power-purchase agreements and other directed procurements
- c. Utility-owned generation

Clean Energy Standard: Workshops #2 and #3 March 2016 Albany, New York

CES Workshops #2 and #3 will address additional aspects of NY's CES. Topics include but are not limited to the following:

- 1. Nuclear Tier and Zero Emission Credits
- 2. Alternative Compliance Mechanisms
- 3. Cost Impact Analysis
- 4. Implications for low-to-moderate income customers

- 5. Implications/interaction with the wholesale market
- 6. Interaction with other programs and initiatives

Additional details regarding the agenda and panelists for these Workshops will be issued in future Notices.

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