

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 14-M-0101 - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission in Regard
to Reforming the Energy Vision.

NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS ON MICROGRIDS

(Issued March 17, 2015)

In the Order Adopting Regulatory Policy Framework and Implementation Plan, issued February 26, 2015 ("February Order") in this proceeding, the Commission invited comment on possible microgrid configurations that will be presumptively permissible. The Commission also requested comments responding to the following questions:

- 1) How can the Commission ensure that microgrid customers receive reliable service at just and reasonable rates?
- 2) How can the Commission ensure that the microgrid/utility is advancing the objectives of REV?
- 3) What is the relationship, if any, between the outcomes produced by the microgrid and system-wide outcomes for which the DSP/utilities may be held accountable?

Upon review of the comments received, Staff will issue a detailed proposal on microgrid configurations and oversight.

Comments are requested on the points raised above, as well as the applicability of Public Service Law Article 2, Home Energy Fair Practices Act, and the rules for the submetering of electricity to residential tenants set forth at 16 NYCRR Part 96 to microgrids serving residential customers. The comments may discuss any features of regulation under those provisions that might unnecessarily pose barriers to installations or innovation and that could be modified without reducing consumer protections to residential customers.

Comments may be submitted to the Secretary to the Commission by e-filing through the Department of Public Service's Document and Matter Management System (DMM),¹ or by e-mail to the Secretary at secretary@dps.ny.gov, on or before May 1, 2015. Those unable to file electronically may mail or deliver their comments to the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, New York State Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. All comments submitted to the Secretary will be posted on the Commission's Web site and become part of the official case record.

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Secretary

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