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Michelle L. Phillips Secretary New York State Public Service Commission Three Empire Plaza Albany, NY 12223

Re: Case 18-M-0084 - In the Matter of a Comprehensive Energy Efficiency Initiative Case 14-M-0094 - Proceeding on Motion of the Commission to Consider a Clean Energy Fund Matter 20-01201 - In the Matter of the Performance Management and Improvement Process

Dear Secretary Phillips,

The Commission's January 2020 Order Authorizing Utility Energy Efficiency and Building Electrification Portfolios through 2025¹ directed Department of Public Service Staff (Staff) to develop an Energy Efficiency and Building Electrification Performance Management & Improvement (PM&I) Process. This process was commenced with Staff's May 29, 2020 filing of the Energy Efficiency & Building Electrification Performance Management and Improvement Process Plan.

In the PM&IP Plan, Staff described the use of a Strategic Advisory Group (SAG) consisting of a broad cross-section of knowledgeable representatives from critical customer and market groups and leading solution providers to inform program design, identify gaps in portfolios and areas for improvement. The PM&I Plan also provided an opportunity for interested individuals to apply to serve on the SAG for a two-year term.

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¹ Case 18-M-0084, In the Matter of a Comprehensive Energy Efficiency Initiative, issued January 21, 2020.

I am pleased to announce we have selected the following individuals from a robust and highly competitive pool of applicants:

Rory Christian - Concentric Consulting Group/WE	Catherine Luthin - Luthin Associates/Consumer
ACT for Environmental Justice	Power Advocates
John Ciovacco - Aztech Geothermal/NY-GEO	Maggie Molina - American Council for an Energy
	Efficient Economy
Kelly Dougherty - First Service Energy/First	Jeffrey Perlman - Bright Power
Service Residential	
Dan Egan - Vornado Realty Trust	Daniel Schrecongost - C.J. Brown Energy &
	Engineering
Andy Frank – Sealed	Valerie Strauss - Association for Energy
	Affordability/EE For All NY
Lloyd Kass - Lime Energy	Marc Zuluaga - Steven Winter Associates
Elizabeth Kelly - New York City Mayor's Office of	
Sustainability	

Additionally, I have asked Peggie Neville, Deputy Director of Efficiency & Innovation, in the Department's Office of Markets & Innovation to serve as the Chair of the SAG.

Energy efficiency and building electrification are high priorities for New York State in achieving our ambitious climate goals. The impetus for the PM&I Process, to maximize performance of the energy efficiency and building electrification portfolios, is evident: New York has some of the most ambitious clean energy and energy efficiency goals, and achievement of them will require active performance management, as well as collaboration across all parties involved. The SAG will be an important input to our new PM&I Process.

I look forward to the PM&I Process getting underway and am excited about the new ideas and market insights the SAG will bring to our program and portfolio planning and oversight work.

Sincerely,

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John Rhodes CEO