## STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 16-M-0412 - In the Matter of Benefit Cost Analysis Handbooks.

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

NOTICE OF NEW CASE NUMBER AND SOLICITING COMMENTS ON THE BENEFIT-COST ANALYSIS HANDBOOKS

(Issued July 27, 2016)

In its Order Establishing the Benefit-Cost Analysis Framework, issued January 21, 2016, the Commission directed the State's investor-owned electric utilities owning transmission and distribution facilities (Utilities) to file individual Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA) Handbooks by June 30, 2016.¹ On June 30, 2016, the Utilities filed BCA Handbooks for the Commission's consideration. Some of the Utilities filed the Handbooks as part of, or as an appendix to, their Initial Distributed System Implementation Plans (DSIPs), while others filed their Handbooks separately.²

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Commission is seeking comments from interested entities on the BCA Handbooks. All filings related to BCA Handbooks shall be filed in Case 16-M-0412, entitled "In the Matter of Benefit Cost Analysis Handbooks," which is hereby established to facilitate review of the Handbooks.

Case 14-M-0101, Reforming the Energy Vision, Order Establishing the Benefit-Cost Analysis Framework (issued January 21, 2016).

The DSIPs were filed in response to the Commission's Order Adopting Distributed System Implementation Plan Guidance, issued on April 20, 2016, in Case 14-M-0101.

A separate notice was issued in Case 16-M-0411 soliciting comments related to the Initial DSIPs filed by the Utilities.<sup>3</sup> Although the DSIPs contain information regarding the BCA Handbook, any comments related to the Handbook or its usage should be filed in Case 16-M-0412 pursuant to this Notice.

Interested parties are invited to submit initial comments on the BCA Handbooks by August 29, 2016, and reply comments by September 26, 2016. All filings should refer to "Case 16-M-0412" and be submitted to the Secretary by e-filing through the Department of Public Service's Document and Matter Management System (DMM), 4 or by e-mail to the Secretary at <a href="mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov">secretary@dps.ny.gov</a>. If unable to file electronically, commenters may make submissions by U.S. Mail or by hand delivery to the Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, Three Empire Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350.

Information and instructions related to subscribing to the service list, or otherwise monitoring the status of this proceeding can be found on the Department's website at <a href="http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/RequestAPStatus.aspx">http://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/RequestAPStatus.aspx</a>. All documents submitted to the Secretary will be posted on the Department's website and become part of the official case record.

If your have any questions, please contact Ted Kelly by email at <a href="mailto:Theordore.Kelly@dps.ny.gov">Theordore.Kelly@dps.ny.gov</a>, or by telephone at (518) 473-4953.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS Secretary

<sup>3</sup> Case 16-M-0411, <u>In the Matter of Distributed System</u>
<u>Implementation Plans</u>, Notice of New Case Number and Soliciting
Comments on the Initial Distributed System Implementation
Plans (issued July 26, 2016).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> To register with DMM, go to <a href="http://www.dps.ny.gov/e-file/registration.html">http://www.dps.ny.gov/e-file/registration.html</a>.