

STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF
DRAFT GENERIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(Issued October 24, 2014)

NOTICE is hereby given that the New York State Public Service Commission (Commission), as lead agency, has completed and accepted a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft GEIS) in connection with proposed actions by the Commission regarding Reforming the Energy Vision and establishing a Clean Energy Fund. The address of the lead agency is Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350. The Draft GEIS has been prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law [State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA)]. The proposed actions are "unlisted actions" as classified pursuant to SEQRA and would be located throughout the geographic area of the State of New York.

Copies of the Draft GEIS are available to the public at the Commission's Albany office at Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223-1350 (Central Files, 14th Floor) and at the

Commission's New York City office at 90 Church Street, New York, NY 10007-2919 (Central Files, 4th Floor). An electronic copy of the Draft GEIS is also available on the Commission's website at <http://www.dps.state.ny>. For additional information contact James Austin, New York State Department of Public Service, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350 at (518)486-2464.

The proposed actions by the Commission regarding Reforming the Energy Vision and establishing a Clean Energy Fund involve: (a) increased penetration of distributed energy generation technologies including solar, wind, fuel cells, hydroelectric, and various combustion technologies (including natural gas) to address peak load demand on New York's electric system assisted by Distributed System Platform Providers; (b) increased customer participation and penetration of energy efficiency technologies and demand management measures to address peak load demand on New York's electric system; (c) modifications in the current regulatory, tariff, and market design and incentive structures to best promote the goals and objectives of Reforming the Energy Vision and establishing a Clean Energy Fund; (d) ensuring continuity of the State's clean energy programs in a manner that complements the existing suite of clean energy programs, including NY-Sun Initiative, New York Green Bank, Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (EEPS), Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) and Technology and Market Development (T&MD); (e) providing flexibility to allocate funds among a portfolio of clean energy programs in response to evolving circumstances; (f) fostering a more rapid, significant, and sustainable increase in the adoption of clean energy services and technologies; (g) enhancing program efficiency and leverage; (h) providing access to clean energy for low-income customers that may not otherwise benefit from the new markets

that develop; and (i) managing the transition from ratepayer surcharges to more sustainable market-based clean energy activities. The Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement has been prepared in order to analyze potential environmental impacts associated with Reforming the Energy Vision and establishing a Clean Energy Fund.

Written comments on the Draft GEIS will be accepted if received at the Commission's Albany office on or before the close of business on Friday, December 5, 2014. Comments may be submitted by e-filing through the Department's Document Matter and Management System (DMM)¹ or by e-mail to the Secretary at secretary@dps.ny.gov. Those unable to submit their comments electronically may mail or deliver their comments to Honorable 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 website and become part of the official case record.

KATHLEEN H. BURGESS
Secretary

¹ How to register with DMM,
<http://www.dps.ny.gov/e-file/registration.html>