State Energy Plan Acknowledgement of Public Comments

<u>Governor Hochul</u> I thank the New York State Energy Planning Board, their staff, and thousands of New Yorkers who participated in the process to develop a realistic plan that maintains our goal for a zero emission grid while moving us responsibly into the future.

Statements at the Energy Planning Board Meeting on 16 December 2025 Annotated Transcript

Doreen Harris, Chair and CEO of NYSERDA and Chair of Energy Planning Board:

- In the last four months alone, our draft, we have delivered significant ground in terms of updating our
  draft plan to incorporate thousands of public comments, to account for significant federal policy
  changes, and to include new and evolving clean energy technologies at the same time.
- It represents the work conducted by dozens of State Energy staff and technical experts informed by stakeholders and public commenters and ultimately shaped by members of this Board.

Karl Maas, NYSERDA's Senior Vice President for Policy Analysis and Research

 As the state evaluates further action, it will need to weigh costs and benefits informed by robust public input to understand whether these actions best serve New York.

Rory Christian - NYS Public Service Commission, Chair

• I also want to extend thanks to the various stakeholders and individuals who commented throughout. Without your input and feedback, the plan would not be where it is today.

Walter T. Mosley - NYS Department of State, Secretary of State

 As a state, we heard a wide range of views during this public comment period, which helped to shape a stronger plan.

Marie Therese Dominguez - NYS Department of Transportation, Commissioner

• Really appreciate the engagement from the public writ large and a number of the key stakeholders. It has helped us achieve an ambitious statewide energy goals, helping us develop them through this statewide plan.

Dr. James V. McDonald - NYS Department of Health, Commissioner

• I do want to thank the public for all the comments that were received as well.

Roberta Reardon - NYS Department of Labor, Commissioner

• This plan incorporated, as I said, expert input, public hearings, feedback literally from thousands of New Yorkers, and it ensured every New Yorker had a voice in the state's energy plan, and that is an amazing accomplishment. Thank you to all of the New Yorkers who contributed to this, who came to hearings, who sent us written comments, because that is invaluable.

President and CEO Rich Dewey of the New York Independent System Operator

 Any plan to be really credible with the public can't just be based in policies. It really is crucial to have that thorough and robust analytical basis for it and the empirical data that sits behind i