Executive Director Report

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Hopefully everyone is enjoying this summer's weather now that the rainy season seems to be behind us. Hard to believe school starts in a month.

I hope everyone is getting prepared to attend the 89th Annual Conference, September 10th through September13th, at the Woodcliff Hotel & Spa in Fairport, NY.

The ever-changing CES will be discussed thoroughly as more new changes have been adopted by the State and NYPSC.

This year's conference agenda will be changed to address the new changes as it relates to Energy Efficiency and renewable energy.

The annual IEEP meeting will be conducted during the Annual MEUA Conference as it makes sense to tie the new developments together so everyone can better understand what is changing in New York State.

I hope the member systems will have representatives at the Annual Conference as many important issues will be discussed.

The non-delegate events will be as follows:

Wednesday, 09-11-19: A Wine & Food Pairing on site

Thursday, 09-12-19: Bus Tours of the Genesee Brewery and the George Eastman House.

Wednesday evening will feature an off-site reception and dinner at the Casa Larga Vineyards— a very short distance from the Woodcliff.

The Annual Conference agenda is included in this News & Views edition.

Please make every effort to attend.

Chris Wentlent: August 2019 NYISO Report

Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) Signed - Governor Cuomo officially signed the CLCPA into law on Thursday, July 18. A summary of the key provisions of the legislation and key timing of implementation is included below. The requirements of the legislation will re-create the generation, transportation, industrial and building sectors of our New York economy over time.

Legislation Specifics, Working Groups and Proposed Timelines

Legislation Specifics

Major components of the legislation are:

- Renewable energy projects must be built at a pace not yet seen in New York to achieve a 70 percent renewable electricity target by 2030. We are currently at 26-28 % depending on the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) statistical year you review.

- The New York State Public Service Commission (NYSPSC) must also establish programs to procure 9 gigawatts of offshore wind by 2035, 6 gigawatts of solar generation by 2025 and support 3 gigawatts of storage by 2030.

- Eliminate all power-sector emissions by 2040. This requirement does allow utilization of offsets for the generation industry.

- The newly established Climate Action Council must issue a draft scoping plan with recommended actions for the state to achieve an 85 percent economy-wide emissions reduction by 2050 and ultimately net-zero across the economy with utilization of locally based offsets to cover the remaining 15%.

- The Climate Action Council shall consult with the climate justice working group established in section 75-0111 of this article, the department of state utility intervention unit, and the federally designated electric bulk system operator.

- NYSPSC may suspend or modify the obligations if, after a public hearing, finds the program impedes safe and adequate electric

service and/or that there is a significant increase in arrears or service disconnections.

Climate Action Council and Timeline

- Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) requires a comprehensive scoping plan to be created by a newly formed Climate Action Council and new bureaucratic processes to craft it. The scoping plan will also run parallel to an already existing State Energy Plan process, which has been delayed. It is expected the scoping plan process will take up to three (3) years to complete.

Timeline of major milestones and an explanation:

Jan. 1, 2020 —the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) goes into effect.

- This triggers the creation of multiple committees including the Climate Action Council, although appointments could take longer.

- **Climate Action Council:** Twenty-two members, including commissioners of transportation, health, economic development, agriculture and markets, housing and community renewal, environmental conservation, labor, PSC chairman, the presidents of NYSERDA, NYPA and LIPA and the secretary of state or their designees. The non-executive branch members (10) are appointed by the governor (two), the temporary president of the Senate (three), Assembly speaker (three), and minority leaders in both chambers (one each). **The council is tasked with significant authority to draft recommended policies to achieve emissions reductions.**

June 13, 2021 — The Public Service Commission is required to establish a program to achieve the new renewable electricity goal of 70 percent by 2030 and carbon-free by 2040.

Jan. 1, 2022 —The Climate Action Council must issue a draft scoping plan with recommended actions for the state to achieve an 85 percent emissions reduction by 2050 and ultimately net-zero across the economy. The first State Energy Plan after the scoping plan must include these recommendations. At least six public meetings on the draft plan are required, split between upstate and downstate, and 120 days of public comment. The DEC must complete its inventory of greenhouse gas emissions with detailed data by sector and fossil fuel. Imported fuels must include estimated emissions from production and distribution. The report will also include a 1990 baseline estimate. The agency must also issue, in consultation with NYPA, NYSERDA and the various committees, a report on the barriers for access to distributed renewable energy, weatherization investments, low-emissions transportation and climate adaptation. The report will include recommendations to improve access and must be considered in the final scoping plan.

Jan. 1, 2023 — The final scoping plan must be sent by the Climate Action Council to the governor and legislative leaders and publicly posted. The actions considered include performance-based standards, land use and transportation planning, beneficial electrification and building energy codes.

Jan. 1, 2024 — The DEC must issue rules and regulations to achieve emissions reductions after two public hearings. This is a key milestone and likely means a host of effects for individuals and businesses as these measures are phased in. The agency is also required to issue a new greenhouse gas inventory of emissions, with updates due every two years.

July 1, 2024 — The Public Service Commission must issue its first biennial report on progress to achieve renewable and carbon free goals. The PSC must also establish programs to procure 9 gigawatts of offshore wind by 2035, 6 gigawatts of solar generation by 2025 and support 3 gigawatts of storage by 2030.

NYISO Podcast - New NYISO President and CEO Rich Dewy launched the inaugural New York ISO Power Trends podcast with a discussion on the tremendous changes facing the energy industry and how the NYISO is prepared to meet these new objectives through the wholesale energy markets. The Power Trends podcast will be a continuing series of online conversations with NYISO leaders and staff about issues related to the power industry. In the first edition, Mr. Dewey spoke of about his career at the NYISO and the changes/challenges facing the energy grid today. The Podcast was titled – Climate Leadership & New York Policy. The complete podcast is available at: https://www.nyiso.com/-/podcast-climate-leadership-new-york-policy

Update – NYISO Project Prioritization Process – in our July 2019 issue, we presented an article about the NYISO Project Prioritization Process. The article outlined what our municipal systems viewed as most

important projects that the NYISO should consider for 2020. Our municipal systems had 100% participation rate. The NYISO recently released the initial survey results.

The following are the projects MEUA/NYMPA selected as important:

- Relocate Ontario Proxy Bus
- Ancillary Services Shortage Pricing
- Constraint Specific Transmissions Shortage Pricing
- Tailored Availability Metric
- Enhancing Fuel and Energy Security
- Buyer Side Mitigation for Small Resources
- Comprehensive Mitigation Review

All seven are still under consideration for 2020 projects. The final projects will be finalized over the next 30 days. We will continue to monitor the outcome and report in a future issue.

Employment Ads

Senior Lineworker: Village of Penn Yan

The Village of Penn Yan has an opening for one (1) Senior Lineworker. This is a competitive NYS Civil Service position that is full time, 40 hours per week and subject to Civil Service rules for eligibility.

The applicant will supervise the Line Crew as assigned and in the absence of the Line Crew Chief; must be able to perform skilled work in the construction and maintenance of electrical overhead and underground distribution systems, including the rebuilding and maintenance of electrical substations. The work requires climbing poles, working in all kinds of weather conditions and rigid observance of safety precautions to protect the lives of themselves and others.

Range of hourly rate is $28.68 - $33.28 depending on years of experience.

For an application, full job description, minimum qualifications and Civil Service rules for eligibility please visit https://mycivilservice.yatescounty.org/jobopps.

Candidate will be subject to drug and alcohol testing prior to employment.

Please submit your application along with work history, qualifications, training history and education, proof of Lineworker status, references and any other pertinent information to the Yates County Civil Service Office by Friday, July 30, 2019.

Line Crew Chief: Village of Penn Yan

The Village of Penn Yan has an opening for one (1) Line Crew Chief. This is a competitive NYS Civil Service position that is full time, 40 hours per week and subject to Civil Service rules for eligibility.

The applicant will supervise the Line Crew; manage the operational budget and maintain an adequate inventory for the Electric Department; must be able to perform skilled work in the construction and maintenance of electrical overhead and underground distribution systems, including the rebuilding and maintenance of electrical substations. The work requires climbing poles, working in all kinds of weather conditions and rigid observance of safety precautions to protect the lives of themselves and others.

Range of hourly rate is $31.04 - $36.59 depending on years of experience.

For an application, full job description, minimum qualifications and Civil Service rules for eligibility please visit https://mycivilservice.yatescounty.org/jobopps.

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Electric Superintendent: Village of Skaneateles

The Village of Skaneateles is seeking applicants for a leadership role in its municipal electric distribution system. The successful candidate will be experienced and proficient in the operations and administrative management of an electric distribution system, including substations, outside plant, metering and inventory.

Candidates should have strong mechanical and electrical aptitude and demonstrated experience in administrative and managerial positions. Preference will be given to candidates who reside in the Village of Skaneateles or who also hold current license in wastewater or water supply.

Please forward your resume and salary requirements to the Village of Skaneateles, 26 Fennell Street, Skaneateles, New York 13152 or email to clerk@villageofskaneateles.com.

MEUA 89th Annual Conference: Woodcliff Hotel & Spa

September 10th-13th, 2019

Tuesday, September 10th 2019

2:00-6:00 pm **Registration OPEN: Lobby Overlook**

Signup Sheets:
A Wine & Food Pairing Workshop: Cayuga Rm (**Wed, 09/11**)
Tour of Genesee Brewery & Eastman House (**Thurs, 09/12**)
2019 Annual Golf Tournament (**Thurs, 09/12**)

6:00-7:00 pm **Palm Court/CC Lobby**
(Business Casual, Meal Ticket Required)
7:00 pm **Dinner: Fountain Room**
(Meal Ticket Required)
Speaker: Brian Kolb
Assembly Minority Leader, Invited

Wednesday, September 11th 2019

7:00-9:00 am **Breakfast: Horizons**
(Meal Ticket Required)
8:00-12:00 pm Registration OPEN: Lobby Overlook
&4:00-6:00 pm

8:30-11:30 pm Opening Session: Conference Center
(CLOSED MEETING-BLUE BADGE ONLY)

President Owen McIntee Presiding
Invocation
Business Session
A. Roll Call
B. Proof of Notice of Meeting
C. Reading of Minutes
D. Communications
E. Report of Officers
1. President's Report—Owen McIntee
2. Executive Director's Report—Tony Modafferi
3. Treasurer's Report & Financial Update—Bill Whitfield
F. Unfinished Business
G. New Business
1. Proposed 2020 Budget
H. Appointment of Committees
1. Nominating
2. Resolutions

10:15 am Break – Corporate Member Exposition

10:30-12:00 pm
I. Consultant Reports

1. NYISO Presentation
Rick Gonzales, NYISO Chief Operating Officer
2. Panel Discussion
The State of our Industry
3. FERC, New York State, NYISO, PSC, NYPA & NYSERDA Updates
What it all means to our membership in the next few years

J. Announcements

12:00-1:00 pm Lunch: The Tent
(Meal Ticket Required)
Speaker: ***Hon. Rich Funke***
NYS Senator 55th District

Business Session: President-Elect Andrew Thompson Presiding

1:15-3:15 pm Annual IEEP Meeting
3:15-4:00 pm NYMPA Update & Challenges
4:00-5:15 pm Break- Corporate Member Exposition
7:00 pm Dinner: Casa Larga Vineyard in Fairport, NY (Shuttle Provided)
(Business Casual, Meal Ticket Required)

Thursday, September 13th 2019

7:30- 9:00 am **Breakfast:** Horizons
(Meal Ticket Required)
9:00-11:00 am **Registration OPEN:** Lobby Overlook
& 5:00-7:00 pm

8:30-11:00 am **Business Session**
(CLOSED MEETING- BLUE BADGE ONLY)

President Owen McIntee, Presiding
Report of Nominating Committee
Election of Officers
Vice President/Treasurer, Bill Whitfield Presiding
Report of MEUA Committees

Presentation – ***Owen McIntee, Emergency Preparedness***

NYPA Presentation

Charity Golf Tournament
Courtesy of Read and Laniado

11:00-12:00 pm **Golfers:** Box Lunch @
Eagle Vale Country Club
Non-Golfers: Lunch in **The Tent**
(Meal Ticket required)
12:00-5:00 pm **Golfers:** Annual Golf Tournament @
Eagle Vale Country Club

Non-Golfers: **12:30pm Bus Tour: Genesee Brewery & The George Eastman House**

6:00- 7:00 pm **Reception: Palm Court/CC Lobby**
(Business Dress, Meal Ticket Required)
7:00 pm **Annual Banquet Dinner: Conference Center**
(Business Dress, Meal Ticket Required)

President Owen McIntee, Presiding
Invocation
Executive Director, Tony Modafferi, Introductions
Presentation of Officers for 2019-2019
Awards Presentation
Golf Awards by Bill Whitfield
Appreciation by Owen McIntee, President
Presentation of Gavel to New President

Friday, September 13th 2019

7:00-9:00 am **Breakfast: Horizons**
(Meal Ticket Required)
8:30 am **Concluding Business Session**
Erie Ballroom (CLOSED MEETING- BLUE BADGE ONLY)
President-Elect Andrew Thompson Presiding

A. Adoption of Budget
B. Report and Adoption of Resolutions
C. Announcements
D. Adjournment

9:30 am **Box Lunch Pick-Up in the Conference Center**

Non-Delegate Entertainment Program

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7:00 am **Breakfast: Palm Court/CC Lobby**
(Meal Ticket Required)
9:00 am **Welcome Gathering:** Cayuga Room
10:15-NOON **Free Time**
12:00-1:00 pm **Lunch: The Tent**
(Meal Ticket Required)
Speaker: *Hon: Rich Funke, NYS Senator 55th District*

7:00 pm Reception & Dinner: Casa Larga Vineyards

Thursday, September 12th 2019

7:00-9:00 am Breakfast: Horizons
(Meal Ticket Required)
8:00 am Morning Gathering: Cayuga Room
12:00-1:00 pm Lunch: The Tent
(Meal Ticket Required)
12:30 pm Bus Departs for Genesee Brewery & George Eastman House Tours

Charity Golf Tournament Courtesy of Read and Laniado

11:30 am Arrive at
Eagle Vale Country Club
11:30 am Annual Golf Tournament
(Box Lunch Provided)
6:00-7:00 pm Reception: Palm Court/CC Lobby
(Business Dress, Meal Ticket Required)
7:15 pm Annual Banquet Dinner
Conference Center
(Meal Ticket Required)

Friday, September 14th 2019

7:00-9:00 am **Breakfast: Horizons**
(Meal Ticket Required)
9:30 am **Farewell Gathering:** Cayuga Room
9:30-11:00 am **Box Lunches**
Available in Conference Center

PLEASE NOTE: Pre-Registration ends on 08/18/19. All registrations received after this date will be subject to the higher registration fee.

The deadline date to register for this event is:

August 31, 2019

To request a Registration Form to this Event—

Please contact Narin Ly at MEUA @

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