AEE, ACE NY Applaud New York Statewide Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Incentive Program

Groups note Public Service Commission approval of $701 million “make-ready” program makes state a leader in electric vehicle readiness

ALBANY, NY, July 16, 2020 – Today national business association Advanced Energy Economy (AEE) and the Alliance for Clean Energy New York (ACE NY) reacted to the order in Case No. 18-E-0138* from the New York Public Service Commission (PSC) establishing a statewide electric vehicle charging infrastructure “make-ready” program, which will provide incentives to facilitate the installation of charging stations. This order authorizes $701 million in incentives, which have the potential to stimulate millions of dollars in additional private investment in new electric vehicle charging infrastructure.

“The Make-Ready program will stimulate much-needed activity in the EV Infrastructure market at a time when COVID-19 has slowed economic activity,” said Matt Stanberry, Managing Director for Advanced Energy Economy. “AEE applauds the Commission for making a significant and timely order that is an important step towards cementing New York’s place as a leader in transportation electrification. Transportation is currently New York’s largest emissions sector and the state has significant emissions reduction goals under the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA). Transportation electrification is a part of the solution that is ready for scale, which makes policies like make-ready programs that accelerate its growth wise investments.”

Anne Reynolds, Executive Director of the Alliance for Clean Energy New York stated, “Today’s action shows that New York is serious about promoting electric
vehicles. The scale of this program is beyond any prior efforts, and it recognizes the need to install vehicle chargers widely around the State. It is a huge step for EVs – and for New Yorkers that are thinking about buying an EV. We commend the Commission and Staff for the time and effort they have put into developing this program.” She continued, “The proposal also includes three exciting new innovation competitions, new responsibility for utilities to assist in fleet electrification, support for the electrification of Upstate transit bus fleets, and extra incentives to install charging stations within 1-2 miles of disadvantaged communities. It is a very thorough, ambitious, and well-researched program.”

Today’s Order follows the January 13, 2020, Commission Staff whitepaper that originally proposed a statewide “make-ready” program designed to provide incentives to develop light-duty electric vehicle supply equipment and infrastructure for both Level 2 and Direct Current Fast Charger stations.

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