

# New York Renewable Electricity Mandate Status

#### **Renewable Mandate Status: On Track**

- 2009 Estimated Qualified Renewable Generation: 23%<sup>1</sup>
- 2015 Renewable Mandate: 30% of consumption<sup>2</sup>

**Eligible Resources**: Solar Water Heat, Photovoltaics, Landfill Gas, Wind, Biomass, Hydroelectric, Fuel Cells, CHP/Cogeneration, Anaerobic Digestion, Tidal Energy, Wave Energy, Ocean Thermal, Ethanol, Methanol, Biodiesel<sup>3</sup>

• Eligible new renewable resources fall into two tiers—a Main Tier (roughly 93% of incremental renewables generation) and a Customer-Sited Tier (roughly 7%).<sup>4</sup>

**Renewable portfolio history:** The New York renewable portfolio standard (RPS) was established in September 2004. Originally, New York's RPS had a renewables target of 25% of electricity consumption by 2013, but was expanded to 30% by 2015 by the PSC in 2010.<sup>5</sup>

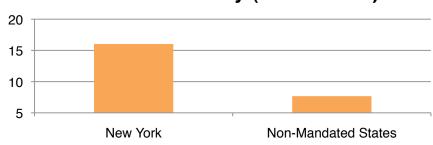
- Under the original standard, the CST was set at 2% of the incremental renewable generation required to meet the standard, but was expanded in April 2010 as part of the expansion of the RPS from 25% by 2013 to 30% by 2015<sup>6</sup>
- Municipal utilities, the New York Power Authority (NYPA) and the Long Island Power Authority (LIPA) are not subject to RPS program<sup>7</sup>
- Renewable generators must demonstrate that at least 5% of their output is available for voluntary green market sales outside the RPS program<sup>8</sup>

#### Credit Trading: No

**Noncompliance penalty**: The New York Public Service Commission collects all funds from electric customers and contracts directly with the renewable electricity generators. There is, therefore, no compliance penalty.

### **Electricity Price Ranking**: 3<sup>rd</sup> Highest<sup>9</sup>

- 16.02 cents/KWh in New York
- 7.67 cents/KWh in non-mandated states



## Price of Electricity (Cents/KWh)



<sup>2</sup> State of New York Public Services Commission (March 25, 2010);

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NYSERDA (March 2009) http://www.nyserda.org/rps/RPSPerformanceReportwebnew.pdf

http://documents.dps.state.ny.us/public/Common/ViewDoc.aspx?DocRefId={C05CD0D6-8EA5-4CB9-A9FA-6ADD3AECB739}.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> http://www.dsireusa.org/incentives/incentive.cfm?Incentive\_Code=NY03R&re=1&ee=1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Database of state Incentives for Renewables and Electricity, New York.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> New York Public Service Commission (2010); Code 03-E-0188;

http://www3.dps.state.ny.us/W/PSCWeb.nsf/All/1008ED2F934294AE85257687006F38BD?OpenDocument

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> EIA, Electric Power Monthly, Table 5.6.B., Average Retail Price of Electricity, June 2010, Released Sept. 15, 2010, http://www.eia.doa.gov/cneaf/electricity/cnm/table5.6.b.html

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