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Honorable Kathleen Burgess
Secretary
New York Public Service Commission
Three Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12223-1350

RE: Case 14-M-0094, Clean Energy Fund

Dear Secretary Burgess,

These are the comments of Consumer Power Advocates (CPA) in response to the Initial Comments of the Joint Utilities (JU) on the Clean Energy Fund Information Supplement in regard to market development initiatives and evolution of previously authorized programs.

CPA generally agrees that the transition of NYSERDA programs to utility administration is a potential source of confusion to customers. We further agree that this transition will require close coordination and communication among the utilities, NYSERDA and its contractors. We also recognize that there have been important achievements in the NYSERDA programs, and an orderly transition to utility administration is essential to continue this success. We support the JU comments to the extent that NYSERDA administered programs remain funded at least until December 31, 2016, and in some cases beyond that date, to facilitate this transition. We agree with the JU that the Commission should approach this transition with caution, and also support the JU proposal for review of NYSERDA budgets and metrics for those programs for which this transition continues into 2017.

With these cautious measures to protect the recent progress in energy efficiency programs, CPA supports the recommendation to transition NYSERDA energy efficiency programs to utility administration.

Respectfully Submitted,

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