



November 18, 2024

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
NEW YORK STATE ENERGY PLANNING BOARD

This notice is to provide the public with notification that the New York State Energy Planning Board will hold a public hearing, as required by Section 103-a (2)(a) of the New York Public Officers Law, at 17 Columbia Circle, Albany, New York (Board Room) and via Webex on Friday, November 22, 2024 from 11:30 a.m.-12:00 noon to receive oral comments on **proposed amendments to the State Energy Planning Board By-laws**, as discussed below.

Public Officers Law Section 103-a was enacted to allow a public body, here the State Energy Planning Board, to authorize the attendance of one or more members at a meeting by use of remote videoconferencing under: (1) extraordinary circumstances so long as a minimum number of members are present to fulfill the public body's quorum requirement in the same physical location or locations where the public can attend, or (2) during a state disaster emergency declared by the governor or a local emergency declared by the chief executive of a county, city, village, or town if the members determine that the circumstances necessitating the emergency declaration would affect or impair the ability of the members to hold an in-person meeting. Public Officers Law Section 103-a also establishes a requirement that written procedures, here the by-laws, outline when such videoconferencing may be used by the State Energy Planning Board. The by-laws amendments (i) detail how and when remote videoconferencing may be used; (ii) define the term extraordinary circumstances; and (iii) set forth the videoconferencing notice and quorum requirements. The proposed amendments to the State Energy Planning Board by-laws may be found at energyplan.ny.gov/process/public-hearings.

PUBLIC HEARING: The hearing will be webcast and recorded, and the proceedings incorporated in the official record of the subsequent State Energy Planning Board meeting and posted on the State Energy Plan website (energyplan.ny.gov) as soon as practicable.

All persons, organizations, corporations, or government agencies are invited to attend the public hearing. Members of the public that wish to attend may do so either in-person or via video conference at <https://nyserdany.webex.com/nyserdany/j.php?MTID=mla97ccfade9c8ac027f4fa87042889c8>.