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NYISO Dedicates Peter A.A. Berle Conference Center
Meeting facility named in honor of late NYISO Board Member

Rensselaer, N.Y. – The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) today dedicated the conference center at its Krey Corporate Center facility in honor of the late Peter A.A. Berle.

Berle, a lifelong environmentalist and public servant, was a member of the NYISO Board of Directors from 2000 until his death in November 2007. He served as Vice Chair of the Board and chaired the Governance Committee, contributing significantly to the vitality of the NYISO's unique shared governance system and pioneering the creation of the NYISO Environmental Advisory Council.

"Peter's life was extraordinary, marked by civic activism and a deep personal and professional commitment to preserving our natural resources and protecting the environment," said Karen Antion, NYISO Board Chair.

The Berle Conference Center provides the forum for operation of the NYISO's shared governance process. The NYISO's ten-member independent Board of Directors and three committees comprised of electricity market stakeholders each play important roles in the design and evolution of New York's electric markets. The NYISO's stakeholder committees are comprised of representatives of market sectors that include Transmission Owners, Generation Owners, Other Suppliers, End-Use Consumers, and Public Power & Environmental Parties.

"This is a fitting facility to bear Peter's name. Every day, deliberations are conducted and decisions are made here that affect the well-being of 19 million New Yorkers and thousands of vital businesses. The work that goes on here is important, and Peter participated in it with grace and with gusto," Ms. Antion noted.

A plaque, commemorating the dedication of the Peter A.A. Berle Conference Center, reads: "*Peter A.A. Berle served with distinction as a member of the New York Independent System Operator's Board of Directors from 2000 to 2007. His lifelong commitment to the value of public discourse and collaborative consensus building serve as inspiration for all who engage in governance of the NYISO.*"

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The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) – www.nyiso.com – is a not-for-profit corporation that began operations in 1999. The NYISO operates New York's bulk electricity grid, administers the state's wholesale electricity markets, and performs comprehensive reliability planning for the state's bulk electricity system.