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NYISO Names Thomas J. Rumsey Vice President of External Affairs

Rensselaer, N.Y. – The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) has named Thomas J. Rumsey as Vice President of External Affairs.

"Tom Rumsey was selected as a result of an extensive, nationwide executive search. He brings an impressive array of skills and experience in communications, technology, strategic development, and organizational leadership to his new responsibilities at the NYISO. He has an outstanding record of performance and service at General Electric and in the United States Army," said Stephen G. Whitley, the NYISO's President and CEO.

An executive with General Electric since 2001, Mr. Rumsey most recently served as Communications Leader for GE Power & Water in Schenectady, NY. He had previously served as Vice President of Communications for GE's Nuclear Energy business in Wilmington, NC, and Director of Headquarters and Acquisition Communications for GE Energy in Atlanta, GA.

Mr. Rumsey is a Lt. Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves with over sixteen years of leadership experience as a commissioned military officer. He commanded elite armed reconnaissance helicopter and special operations units, most recently with a special operations task force in Afghanistan.

He earned a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of Maryland, and a Bachelor of Science degree in Aeronautical Studies from the University of North Dakota.

As Vice President of External Affairs, Mr. Rumsey will be responsible for directing the NYISO's media relations and communications programs, governmental and regulatory affairs, and support for the stakeholder committees of the NYISO's shared governance process.

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The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) – <u>www.nyiso.com</u> – 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 conducts reliability and resource planning for the state's bulk electricity system.