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NYISO Offers Electricity Market Training

One-Day and Four-Day Sessions Scheduled

Rensselaer, NY – The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) will be offering opportunities for individuals to learn more about wholesale electricity markets and power system operations in New York.

The NYISO will offer a four-day *Market Orientation Course* on January 26 – 29, 2010. This course is geared toward active or prospective participants in New York's wholesale electricity markets. Attendees will receive detailed instruction in the purchase and sale of energy, capacity, and related market products.

The NYISO will also offer a one-day *Market Overview* course on Tuesday, February 9, 2010. The course will provide attendees with a general overview of all aspects of the wholesale electricity markets in New York and includes sessions on Power System Operations, Market Pricing, and Power Contracting.

The general registration rate for one-day Market Overview is \$400, with a government rate of \$50. The general registration rate for the four-day Market Orientation Course is \$1,450, with a government rate of \$350. The registration fees cover the cost of the sessions, training materials and meals.

Both classes will be held in the Berle Conference Center at the NYISO's corporate offices on Krey Blvd. in Rensselaer, NY.

"These market training sessions are designed to educate those who are actively engaged in New York's electricity markets as well as anyone who simply wants to learn more about the way the grid operates and how power markets function," explained Stephen G. Whitley, NYISO President and CEO.

In addition to operating New York's bulk electricity grid and conducting system reliability and resource planning, the NYISO administers the state's wholesale electricity markets, maintaining open access to the markets and monitoring power-trading transactions.

Independent Market Advisor, Dr. David Patton, has stated that the NYISO "operates the most complete set of electricity markets in the U.S." and that "NYISO markets are at the forefront of market design and have been a model for market development in other areas."

To register for classes, visit the Market Training area on the *nyiso.com* website (http://www.nyiso.com/public/services/market_training/index.jsp).

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The New York Independent System Operator (NYISO) 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 comprehensive planning for the state's bulk electricity system.