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NYISO Lauds Governor's Attention to New York's Energy Future

Rensselaer, N.Y.—In response to Governor Andrew Cuomo's 2012 State of the State address, Stephen G. Whitley, president and CEO of the New York Independent System Operator (NYISO), offered the following comments:

"Electricity is the lifeblood of the modern economy. Today's businesses—and the jobs they provide—depend on a secure, dependable supply of power. The reliability of New York's electric grid is a vital foundation for economic growth.

"Governor Cuomo's State of the State address clearly articulates the need for sustained investment in the energy infrastructure of New York state. Upgrades to the transmission system can make more effective use of statewide generating resources, including the renewable resources being planned and developed throughout upstate New York.

"We applaud the governor's attention to the issue and look forward to working with him and the state legislature to leverage the competitive advantages of New York's electricity markets to energize the state's economy."

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