

Christopher Wentlent – BIC Vice Chair

1. **Please describe all experience you have had in chairing groups or committees of diverse interests, with a list of such groups.**

I previously was Vice Chair and Chair of the NYISO Management Committee, Chair of the IPPNY Board, Chair of the New York Retail Electric Supply Association, and currently am a member of New York State Reliability Council Executive Committee.

2. **Please describe the support of your organization for your assuming the position of Vice-Chairperson, and describe your ability to make the necessary time commitment.**

I have reviewed the Vice-Chairperson opportunity with the MEUA Executive Director and Leadership Team and they support this application and are committed to my serving in this capacity.

3. **Please describe any training or experience you have had in mediation, ADR or consensus building.**

Fortunately, my career includes extensive experience in labor relations, contract negotiation, arbitration, and human resource training. Each of these areas have allowed me to gain experience managing human conflict, business disputes and negotiation of both labor and other business-related contracts.

4. **Please describe briefly why you would like to have this job.**

The NYISO marketplace is currently experiencing a major intersection of environmental and energy policy. This will require substantial market related changes to structure the market to not only meet affordability, and reliability requirements but also to ensure New York State meets its' stated environmental goal of 40% Greenhouse Gas reduction by 2030, and 80% Greenhouse Gas reduction by 2050. This will require new infrastructure, and market products to ensure the market has the proper market price signals to meet this challenge. I look forward to the opportunity to assist in this important market transition.

5. **Please describe briefly your organizations actual and/or potential business interests in the Northeast and New York State, including the sector in which your organization participates for purposes of NYISO governance.**

The Municipal Electric Utilities Association of New York State (MEUA) was formed in 1930. The object of this association is to foster and advance the efficient operation of publicly owned and operated electric systems including the production, distribution, conservation and prudent use of electric power and energy for public service. It is operated for the mutual benefit of all members and does not engage in business for profit. Membership is restricted to municipal corporations, rural electric corporations, and other organizations and individual whose interests are compatible with the objects of the organizations. MEUA is part of the Public Power and Environmental Sector.

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Objective: To be considered for the Vice Chair of the NYISO Business Issues Committee

Experience - Thirty years of electric industry experience including plant management, human resources, labor relations, safety, training, warehouse, regulatory, commercial transaction support and environmental management.

Specific Experience

Municipal Electric Utilities Association (MEUA) – NYISO and NYSRC Liaison – February 2018 to Present

Represent MEUA on all NYISO committees and member of the New York State Reliability Committee Executive Committee.

Exelon Corporation - Director, State Government Affairs - May 2011 – January 2018

Direct responsibilities included company regulatory lead for executive, legislative and regulatory branches of New York State including representation at the NYISO, NYSRC, New York State Public Service Commission, and other key New York agencies. Interfaced with key company representatives at our generation, wholesale trading, retail and business development teams.

AES-NY, LLC - NY Business Manager - 1999– April 2011

Direct responsibilities included AES representative on various NYISO committees. Managed all related company positions and related FERC filings with outside counsel. Coordinate any planned market changes with AES marketing group and plant operating facilities. Assist marketing group in any planned energy, ICAP and emission allowance sales.

Responsible for facility environmental compliance team for ten power plant facilities located in the Northeast. This included review of proposed federal and state regulations, development of individual site and portfolio compliance plans, emissions verification and reporting, and ensuring plant compliance with all air, water, and solid waste permit reporting requirements.

New York State Electric & Gas Corporation - Generation Plant Management & Human Resources – 1988 – 1999

NY Plant Manager Management of two power plants, Goudey and Jennison Stations and Administrative Superintendent at Kintigh Station. Responsibilities included technical and operations management, maintenance planning, labor relations, safety, plant budgeting, warehouse and stores administration, and plant future strategic planning.

Human Resource/Safety Manager for NYSEG Lockport District Transmission & Distribution office. Responsibilities included labor relations, safety administration, EEOC compliance, training and development.

Leadership Opportunities

Chair - NYISO Management Committee
Chair - Independent Power Producers Board of Directors
Chair - New York Electric Retail Supply Association
Executive Committee - New York State Reliability Council.

Education

Masters of Business Administration (MBA), Canisius College, July 1990
Masters of Arts Industrial Relations (MAIR), St. Francis College, July 1981
Bachelors of Science (BS), State University at Buffalo, June 1979

References

Further data available upon request