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AND NOW COMES **Scott H. DeBroff, Esquire and Peter M. Good, Esquire** of Smigel, Anderson & Sacks, LLP, on behalf of their client, **Elster Integrated Solutions, LLC** ("**Elster**" or "**EIS**") for the purpose of responding to a series of "Questions from ALJ Stein" that were submitted in mid-June to the parties with respect to the proceedings of the New York Public Service Commission ("NYPSC" or the "Commission") regarding the "Proceeding on Motion of the Commission Regarding an Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard."

INTRODUCTION

Elster Integrated Solutions, LLC ("Elster" or "EIS") is a meter technology provider which has participated extensively in proceedings in other states involving the implementation of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, specifically the Smart Metering and Demand Response provisions beginning at Section 1252 of the Electricity Title of the Act.

Elster Integrated Solutions, with its headquarters in Raleigh, North Carolina and operations in 22 countries, serving customers in over 70 countries, is a leading provider of advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) solutions that help utility companies improve revenue cycle services, customer service, delivery reliability, and workforce utilization. With more than 100 years of electricity metering experience (formerly as Westinghouse Electric Corporation and ABB Electricity Metering), Elster understands the unique requirements of utility customers worldwide.

ELSTER'S RESPONSES TO ALJ STEIN'S QUESTIONS

Elster hereby submits its responses to the ALJ's June 22, 2007 questions to all Parties: To the extent the ALJ has asked a question which is not covered by these responses, Elster takes no position on such question.

ALJ Question 6.

What entities would be most appropriate and effective in delivering

- (a) market transformation type programs.
- (b) Peak shaving/demand response type programs?

Elster's Response:

Elster believes that Advanced Metering and an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) will be effective tools in supporting market transformation and peak shaving/demand response type programs. An Advanced Metering Infrastructure will provide better information to utilities and customers alike, and enable utilities or other entities, to provide effective, market transforming programs. By prior Order of the Commission, all New York investor owned utilities have been told to file deployment plans for advanced metering in their service territories. Advanced Metering is the cornerstone for the success of many demand response programs.

ALJ Question 8.

Is your entity or organization interested in being a provider of energy efficiency programs? If so, what types?

Elster's Response:

As expressed in our answer to the staff comments, Elster feels very strongly that Advanced Metering and the creation of an Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) will be one of the principle pathways by which Energy Efficiency Programs and Demand Response Initiatives will succeed. We will be a critical component of such programs in terms of provision of the appropriate data needed by both utility and customer.

ALJ Question 9.

Is your entity or organization opposed to being a provider of energy efficiency programs? If so, what types?

Elster's Response:

We will be a facilitator of energy efficiency programs, working with utilities to support their meter and meter technology needs which, in turn, support such programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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