Buildings Chapter of the Climate Action Council Draft Scoping plan

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ABSTRACT

The presentation will be a summary of the greenhouse gas and co-pollutant emissions reductions strategies for the buildings sector that are included in the CAC draft Scoping Plan. The strategies were developed by the Energy Efficiency and Housing advisory panel which consisted of subject matter experts on buildings. Ample time will be afforded for the audience Q&A on the content in the draft scoping plan and the process for submitting comment to the Climate Action Council. The comment period closes in the first half of 2022 and this session would provide an opportunity to have a dialogue on the draft plan. The desired outcome is to have the conference participants provide informed comment to the CAC as they work on finalizing the scoping plan this year.

BIOGRAPHY

Maureen Leddy is the Director of the NYS DEC Office of Climate Change, where she leads the development of programs and policies that mitigate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and helps New York adapt to climate change. Maureen leads DEC implementation of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act, in partnership with NYSERDA. Implementation includes supporting the New York State Climate Action Council's development of a Scoping Plan to achieve the emissions reductions requirements of the Act, as well as issuing the annual emissions inventory, Value of Carbon guidance for state agencies, and regulations to ensure achievement of the statutory emissions limits. She was formerly a project manager in the Large Scale Renewables program at the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA). At NYSERDA Maureen's role involved developing strategies for smart siting of large scale renewable energy projects, supporting the development and implementation of New York's Clean Energy Standard, and program administration of the New York Generation Attribute Tracking System. She has prior experience in program design and policy development for distributed scale solar under NYSERDA's NY-Sun Program. Maureen also has worked in carbon finance, quantifying the greenhouse gas reduction potential for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects. Maureen holds a master's in natural resource management and environmental planning from Simon Fraser University in British Columbia.

Vanessa Ulmer leads the Policy Development team at NYSERDA, which works to ensure that New York State policymakers and stakeholders have a solid foundation of objective information and data upon which to make decisions. She is leading the development of the Building Electrification Roadmap, and on the staff working group of the New York State Climate Action Council.