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NEW YORK STATE SMART GRID CONSORTIUM ANNOUNCES INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

New York, NY., October 2009 – The New York State Smart Grid Consortium.

The New York State Smart Grid Consortium held its first meeting, since its official incorporation in late July, on Tuesday September 22, 2009. Key objectives of the meeting were to adopt the Consortium By-laws, elect members of the initial Board of Directors and to review the proposed Consortium operating plan for the upcoming year

Bob Catell (AERTC) Lou Rana (Con Edison) and Yacov Shamash (Stony Brook), the original founding members of the Consortium, presided over the meeting. Upon adoption of the By-laws, the remaining members of the initial Board of Directors were elected:

- Ed Reinfurt (NYSTAR)
- Frank Murray (NYSERDA)
- John Caroselli (National Grid)
- Garry Brown (NYS DPS)
- Kevin Law (LIPA)
- Rich Kessel (NYPA)
- Tom Congdon (Governor's Office)

The Consortium includes representation in all seven sectors of the electric power industry (utilities, government, generators, markets, end-users, universities, and private industry) in order to maintain the broadest possible perspective. In total, it is anticipated that approximately twenty-five Directors will be elected, representing the entire energy value chain, forming the full slate of the Consortium's Board. It is expected that these additional members will be elected some time over the next year.

“The formalization of this Consortium provides a tremendous opportunity for New York State, representing a strategic public/private partnership that leverages resources in support of a secure and

reliable smart grid to protect and serve all consumers,” Chairman Bob Catell said. “The election of the initial Board of Directors is one of the key first steps toward realizing our vision.”

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About the New York State Smart Grid Consortium

The New York State Smart Grid Consortium, officially incorporated on July 22, 2009, represents a key public private partnership to promote broad statewide implementation of a safe, secure and reliable smart grid. It is the only organization of its scale in the U.S. that is committed to representing all major contributors across the smart grid value chain; from utilities, market operators, industry, academia, government and end-users. The purpose of the Consortium is to collectively harness the unique resources of New York State to help define and achieve its strategic smart grid vision. Membership is based on commitment to a common set of operating principles -- Customer-focused, Strategically Aligned, Collaborative, Innovative and Performance-driven. The Consortium is a not-for-profit 501(c) 4 corporation -- for more information, please visit <http://nyssmartgrid.com/>.