

Introduction

This document summarizes comments received by the Energy Planning Board on the draft New York State Energy Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Oral comments were presented at the Board's nine public hearings and written comments were received during the Board's open public comment period. Every attempt was made to address each comment and recommendation in the 171 sets of oral comments and 747 sets of written comments. In almost all instances, responses include references to the State Energy Plan where the comment is addressed. In several instances, the intent of the comment was unclear, making response difficult. If individuals and organizations making comments feel their comments were not addressed sufficiently in the State Energy Plan, they should contact the Energy Planning Board agencies' staffs to continue the dialogue. In general, the numerous positive comments that did not require responses have not been presented.

Note: Comments are grouped according to similarity of contents, and a response may address more than one comment. In those cases, the response is placed at the end of the series of comments. Long series of comments will include a page reference to the response.

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