



**ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENERGY
ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: Incentives for Community Solar

PURPOSE: To examine whether the existing incentives and crediting mechanisms are sufficient to ensure community solar remains a viable component of the renewable energy mix to meet the new clean energy targets within the NYS Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA).

CANCELLED

Long Island

Tuesday
February, 18, 2020
11:00 AM

Legislative Auditorium
William H. Rogers Building
725 Veterans Memorial Highway, Smithtown, NY

The Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) requires the Public Service Commission (PSC) to establish a program requiring six gigawatts of installed distributed solar by 2025 and no less than 70 percent of electricity to be generated by renewable energy systems, including solar, by 2030. Ensuring sufficient renewable energy compensation and incentives will be an important component of meeting that goal. On April 18, 2019, the PSC revised the Value of Distributed Energy Resources (VDER), which fully replaced net metering after January 1, 2020, for determining the compensation for distributed energy resources like solar. The purpose of this hearing is to examine whether the existing crediting mechanisms and incentives associated with VDER are sufficient to meet the 70 percent goal of the CLCPA.

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- I plan to attend the following public hearing on Incentives for Community Solar to be conducted by the Assembly Committees on Energy and Environmental Conservation on February 18, 2020.
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