

Energy Intensive and Trade Exposed Industries  
Advisory Panel Meeting 8  
March 10, 2021

**Attendees:**

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| 1. Eric Gertler, Chair   | Empire State Development                           |
| 2. Keith Hayes, Co-Chair | New York Power Authority                           |
| 3. Heather Briccetti     | The Business Council of New York State, Inc.       |
| 4. Tristan Brown         | SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry |
| 5. Carlos García         | New York City Environmental Justice Alliance       |
| 6. Leah George VanScott  | Greater Rochester Enterprise                       |
| 7. Doug Grose            | NY CREATES   |
| 8. Michael LeMonds       | LafargeHolcim                                      |
| 9. Melanie Littlejohn    | National Grid                                      |
| 10. Elisa Miller-Out     | Chloe Capital                                      |
| 11. David Wasiura        | United Steelworkers District 4                     |

**Not in Attendance:**

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| 1. Jason Curtis   | Nucor Steel Auburn, Inc.                               |
| 2. Stephen Tucker | Workforce Training Center at Northland                 |
| 3. Lourdes Zapata | South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corp. (SoBRO) |

**Agenda Item I – Welcome, Updates and Meeting Objective**

- Chair Gertler welcomed the panel, reviewed meeting logistics, and took the roll.
- Chair Gertler provided a recap of the panel’s progress to date, including:
  - Defined panel scope and work plan
  - Reviewed industrial emission sources, technology, and process solutions for reducing emissions
  - Identified potential policies to foster deployment of solutions
  - Synthesized preliminary emission reduction strategies
  - Collected public input on preliminary strategies
  - Discussed detailed draft of recommended strategies
- Chair Gertler noted that the objective of the meeting is to review proposed changes to finalize strategies.

**Agenda Item II – Update: Integration Analysis Assumptions for Industry**

- Chair Gertler provided an overview of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) Integration Analysis assumptions feedback process.
  - Chair Gertler advised Panel members to provide any feedback on the assumptions by March 31.
- Chair Gertler provided an overview of the industrial sector greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions estimate to-date versus 2030 and 2050 CLCPA targets.

**Agenda Item III – Changes to Finalize EITE Strategies**

- Chair Gertler provided a reminder of the public and stakeholder input process and then summarized the proposed changes as follows:

- Changes to Strategy #3 (Research, Development and Demonstration):
  - Alter strategy description to highlight that meeting CLCPA goals for EITE sector are not currently feasible without technical and/or economic maturity of solutions
  - Eliminate references to specific solutions or classes of solutions
  - Incorporate comments regarding the availability of federal funding to assist in both research and demonstration projects given priorities of the new administration.
- Change to Strategy #5 (GHG Reporting):
  - Clarify that, to the extent possible, EITE industries would not be required to report redundant information under any new reporting requirement.
- *Comments and Questions:*
  - **Panel Member Garcia:** *Asks a clarifying question on the meaning of the word “redundant” in the context for the GHG reporting.*
    - **Chair Gertler Response:** *The idea is that if there are other reasons the information needs to be reported, there would not be the additional onus to report that information since it would be reported under other laws and processes.*
    - **Staff Working Group Member Kevin Hansen:** *On that point, there are a couple reporting systems – a federal reporting system and a State DEC reporting system. A point raised last time is that a lot of these businesses are already filing. They are hoping that, where possible, they could satisfy these requirements through what they are already doing rather than submit repetitive information.*
    - **Staff Working Group Member Christopher LaLone:** *There was concern from the industry that they already report this information to DEC. The hope would be that we can use this for the same purpose, rather than requiring another way to report the same information.*
    - **Panel Member Garcia:** *Just want to make sure this applies to redundant information and that we do propose to increase GHG monitoring and reporting as much as possible for those not already captured in the existing reporting systems.*
- *Chair Gertler requested any additional comments or questions on the Final Recommendations.*
- *None were offered.*

#### **Agenda Item IV – Next Steps**

- Chair Gertler outlined next steps, including:
  - EITE Chair will present recommendations to Climate Action Council in April
  - Future panel meetings will then shift to an as-needed basis for further potential collaboration and recommendation refinement during the remaining Scoping Plan process
  - Panel and public can still submit comments to [climate@esd.ny.gov](mailto:climate@esd.ny.gov).
- Chair Gertler thanked the Panel Members, the Staff, and the public for their input and participation in the Panel’s deliberations.
- Chair Gertler then closed the eighth and final scheduled meeting of the EITE Advisory Panel.