RE: Erie County Open-C PACE program

July 2, 2021

To whom it may concern,

This letter is in support of Erie County's application for Climate Smart Silver Certification. Because the required documentation for this action is dependent on NYSERDA Approval, As NYSERDA's contracted Clean Energy Communities Coordinator for Erie and Niagara Counties I wanted to verify that Erie County has submitted adequate documentation to meet NYSERDA Clean Energy Communities approval for the Open-C PACE High Impact Action.

It is likely that by the time you read this letter NYSERDA will have provided Erie County the approval notification for the submitted High Impact Action.

It is my understanding that Erie County's team has also included the required documentation in their portal submission, and I have included the language from page 10 of the NYSERDA Program Opportunity Notice (PON) that outlines the required documentation as well as what was submitted to NYSERDA for approval below.

"REQUIREMENTS
Demonstrate completion of the PACE Financing action by completing one or more:
1. Open C-PACE Authorization - 200 Points

Submit a screenshot of EIC's List of Participating Municipalities that shows the applying jurisdiction listed as a current EIC member having authorized the Open C-PACE product, or comparable information. Authorization requires adoption of a local law and signing a municipal agreement with EIC (template documents provided by EIC). Non-EIC PACE programs are also eligible. Date of completion is when the local government became an EIC member or when the Non-EIC PACE program is adopted. Communities that received NYSERDA approval for the Energize NY Finance action must submit documentation under this category to earn points for this action."

As you can see Erie County has met the requirements for the NYSREDA Clean Energy Communities program, and as submitted documentation to show they have completed the action as intended by the Climate Smart Communities program.

Kind Regards,

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Municipalities in New York State with an OPEN C-PACE Program

Last updated on July 2, 2021

1. Albany, County
2. Allegany County
3. Amsterdam, City
4. Beacon, City
5. Bedford, Town
6. Broome, County
7. Buffalo, City
8. Canandaigua, City
9. Cayuga, County
10. Chautauqua, County
11. Clinton, County
12. Columbia, County
13. Cortland, County
14. Cortlandt, Town
15. Dutchess, County
16. Erie, County
17. Franklin, County
18. Geneva, City
19. Glens Falls, City
20. Greenburgh, Town
21. Harrison, Town
22. Hastings-on-Hudson, Village
23. Hudson, City
24. Ithaca, City
25. Kingston, City
26. Lackawanna, City
27. Lewis, County
28. Lewisboro, Town
29. Lockport, City
30. Madison, County
31. Montgomery, County
32. Mount Kisco, Town/Village
33. Nassau, County
34. New Castle, Town
35. New Rochelle, City
36. Niagara, County
37. Niagara Falls, City
38. North Salem, Town
39. North Tonawanda, City
40. Oneida, County
41. Orange, County
42. Ossining, Town
43. Oswego, City
44. Otsego, County
45. Peekskill, City
46. Port Jervis, City
47. Putnam County
48. Rockland, County
49. Rochester, City
50. Rye, City
51. Rye, Town
52. Saratoga Springs, City
53. Schenectady, City
54. Suffolk, County
55. Sullivan, County
56. Syracuse, City
57. Troy, City
58. Ulster, County
59. Warren, County
60. White Plains, City
61. Wyoming County
62. Yates, County
63. Yonkers, City
64. Yorktown, Town

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