

NEW YORK POWER AUTHORITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2012

- In 2012, the New York Power Authority generated 28.1 billion kilowatt-hours (kwh) of electricity, with hydropower accounting for 71 percent of this amount. Total electricity sales, including power purchased from other generators, were 39.7 billion kwh.
- The New York State Senate votes unanimously to confirm the Power Authority trustees' election of Gil Quinones as NYPA president and chief executive officer.
- Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo launches his NY-Sun Initiative to quadruple the state's amount of customer-sited solar power by the end of 2013. NYPA's Solar Market Acceleration Program (SOLAR-MAP) will provide up to \$30 million over five years toward the effort.
- NYPA trustees approve an Environmental Justice Action Plan, ensuring that the health and quality-of-life interests of low-income and minority communities near NYPA facilities are adequately addressed.
- The University at Buffalo dedicates its 750-kilowatt Solar Strand, one of the largest ground-mounted photovoltaic arrays in New York State. NYPA provided more than \$7 million in funding along with engineering and management oversight for the project.
- John Koelmel, president and chief executive officer of First Niagara Financial Group, is confirmed as a NYPA trustee by the State Senate along with Terrance Flynn, an attorney with the law firm of Harris Beach, and Onondaga County Executive Joanne Mahoney. Koelmel is subsequently elected chairman of the Power Authority by his fellow trustees.
- NYPA holds its 22nd annual Purchasing Exchange for minority- and women-owned business enterprises (MWBES). In 2012, the Power Authority will award \$65.8 million in contracts to MWBEs, reflecting 19.7% of reportable expenditures.
- Businesses and other enterprises begin receiving power under Governor Cuomo's ReCharge NY program. By year's end, more than 700 megawatts will have been approved for more than 600 businesses and not-for-profits.
- Governor Cuomo announces the launch of NYPA's \$30 million Energy Efficiency Market Acceleration Program (EE-MAP) to advance the commercialization of emerging, cutting-edge energy efficiency technologies.
- The Energy Highway Task Force presents Governor Cuomo with a Blueprint to modernize the state's energy infrastructure. In support of this initiative, NYPA trustees in December approve a \$726 million Life Extension and Modernization program to repair and upgrade the Power Authority's statewide transmission system.
- Superstorm Sandy triggers a comprehensive, multi-level response by NYPA staff, including coordination of a "Public Power Assistance Team" of more than 300 utility workers who provide mutual assistance to hard-hit communities on Long Island.
- NYPA is designated by Governor Cuomo to establish a central management and implementation team to carry out Executive Order 88 launching Build Smart NY, which will accelerate energy efficiency efforts at state facilities. NYPA commits \$450 million for these improvements, and another \$350 million for similar measures at local and county facilities.
- A 15-year Life Extension and Modernization program at the St. Lawrence-FDR Hydroelectric Power Plant enters its final stages with completion of the 16th and final turbine-generator replacement.