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NYSEG SOLUTIONS AWARDED CONTRACT TO SUPPLY CLEAN ENERGY TO MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC AND GAS ALLIANCE (MEGA)

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Binghamton, NY, July 24, 2007 – NYSEG Solutions is the winning bidder in the Municipal Electric and Gas Alliance’s (MEGA) effort to offer its 900-plus members access to reasonably-priced clean electricity supply. Clean energy typically generated in New York State will flow into the state’s power grid on behalf of MEGA members who choose to participate in the organization’s renewable energy program.

“This is yet another step in the right direction in terms of expanding clean energy options in New York and protecting the environment,” said Carl Taylor, president of NYSEG Solutions and Energetix, NYSEG Solutions’ sister company in Rochester. “We appreciate being selected to partner with MEGA in this important effort and we look forward to serving the MEGA customers who choose the clean energy option.”

“MEGA is very pleased with the competitive pricing we received from NYSEG Solutions, and we are confident that we will significantly increase participation in our renewable energy program,” said Barbara Blanchard, executive director of MEGA. “At a time when there is so much concern about climate change and using domestic sources of energy, we have an excellent offering for our participants, thanks to our competitive bid and NYSEG Solution’s proposal. In addition, this will allow our municipal participants to move toward meeting the goals of the state’s policy on using renewable energy.”

NYSEG Solutions and Energetix are subsidiaries of Energy East Corporation. Both companies were founded in 1998 and both provide electricity and natural gas supply, as well as other energy related products to residential and commercial customers throughout New York State. For more information about NYSEG Solutions, visit nysegsolutions.com.

MEGA is a consortium of energy consumers established in the late 1990s to procure competitively priced electricity and natural gas supplies for its members. Based in Ithaca, MEGA has more than 100 municipal members in addition to residential and commercial customers across 12 counties (Broome, Cattaraugus, Chemung, Cortland, Delaware, Genesee, Livingston, Otsego, Schuyler, Steuben, Tioga and Tompkins). For more information about MEGA, visit megaenergy.org.

The bidding process for MEGA’s clean energy program was administered through EnergyNext, Inc. of Saratoga Springs, MEGA’s procurement consultant. Founded in 1988, EnergyNext has brought significant cost savings to major energy consumers in the business, industry, government, non-profit and residential sectors.