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## **Executive Director Anne Reynolds Has Announced Her Departure from ACE NY**

*Serving nearly ten years, Anne has transformed ACE NY into a key voice for climate and renewable energy policy in New York*

ALBANY, N.Y., Dec. 18, 2023 — Anne Reynolds, executive director of the Alliance for Clean Energy New York (ACE NY), has announced she will leave her role as of Jan. 9, 2024. She has accepted a position with the American Clean Power Association (ACP) as Vice President for Offshore Wind. ACE NY is a regional partner of ACP.

Anne joined ACE NY in 2014, at the time the only full-time employee. Over the decade she has served as executive director, Anne oversaw the organization's growth to a staff of 12 with more than 120 members. In her role, she championed many renewable energy policies at the Public Service Commission, NYSERDA, and the Legislature that would make New York a leader in the nation and the world in pursuing the clean energy transition and combatting climate change. She became a trusted voice for decision-makers at all levels and a regular call for the media for her analysis and perspective. She advocated for the 70% by 2030 renewable energy mandate at the Public Service Commission and for its inclusion in New York's 2019 Climate Leadership and Community Protection Action, which has set New York on the path to its renewable energy future that will improve the lives and health of all New Yorkers.

She also advocated the creation of the New York offshore wind industry, helped found the New York Offshore Wind Alliance to be the voice of that industry, and expanded ACE NY's work to include building energy efficiency, electric vehicle and EV charging policy, battery energy storage policy, and agrivoltaics. The New York State Senate appointed Anne to serve on the New York State Climate Action Council to help develop the roadmap for New York to reach the ambitious goals of its Climate Act.

Anne Reynolds said: "I can't help but feel so proud of the ACE team and the successes we have had in terms of clean energy and climate policy here in New York as I look forward to continuing to advocate for renewable energy in a different arena, with the American Clean Power Association. My sincere thanks go out to the staff, board, and all the member companies that have taught me so much over the years. Keep building!"

Keith Silliman, Chair of the ACE Board of Directors noted that: "Anne's leadership has been fundamental to the growth and success of ACE over the last decade. She has earned the trust and respect of the renewable developers, environmental groups, agency staff and political leaders. She will be missed; but we wish her all the best and great success on the next chapter of her career."

Doreen M. Harris, President and CEO of NYSERDA (and Climate Action Council Co-Chair), said: "I want to congratulate and thank Anne for her dedication to the unmatched growth of New York's clean energy industry under her leadership. Anne's unwavering

commitment to the success of New York's renewable energy sector has established her as a giant in the industry and left an indelible impression on so many of us working in energy. She leaves behind an impressive legacy, including the many contributions provided as a valued member of the New York State Climate Action Council. Her tenure has positioned ACE NY and its members well for continued success and growth, and we look forward to continued collaboration."

Julie Tighe, President of the New York League of Conservation Voters said: "NYLCV salutes Anne Reynolds for her service to the environment as Executive Director for ACE NY. During her tenure, she made ACE the premier organization for the renewable energy industry in New York during its coming of age, helping launch a new era in the transition to a clean energy economy. I am proud, both personally and professionally, of Anne and am grateful for her leadership and mentorship. We congratulate her on her new role with the American Clean Power Association, and we look forward to seeing her unyielding energy and passion for the environment on the national level."

Kevin Sheen, vice president of business development at Terra-Gen said: "The organization was facing several challenges in 2014, and as Chairman of the Board at the time, we knew we were putting the new Executive Director into a tough position. We knew we had the right person for the job, but none of us could have envisioned the amazing accomplishments that Anne brought to the organization. She brought stability, increased membership, and strengthened the organization in her nearly ten years at the helm. The industry is much better off having had Anne as its leader, and we are sorry to see her go."

The work of ACE NY will continue uninterrupted. Board Chair Keith Silliman of Cypress Creek Renewables has appointed Deb Peck Kelleher as interim executive director, and the search for a permanent executive director has begun. A steering committee comprised of ACE NY board members has been convened, and a formal job posting will be released shortly.

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