This settlement agreement puts customers first, makes smart investments to improve reliability of service, prepares NYSEG for a clean energy future, and has earned the support of customers, businesses, industry and environmental organizations.

## **COVID-19 Relief**

Providing immediate and impactful relief to our most vulnerable customers through up to \$16.5 million in dedicated support.



- Automatic \$100 bill credit for eligible residential and small business customers
- Two electric economic development programs for small and large businesses that will distribute \$3 million annually
- Flexible deferred payment program for customers

### **Other Initiatives**



#### **Infrastructure Investments**

Improving reliability and resiliency



#### **Tree Trimming**

Investing to protect our distribution system



#### **Smart Meters**

Harnessing the power of technology to transform the energy system



## Sustainability

Embracing distributed energy resource systems and renewable energy



### **Energy Efficiency**

Unlocking New York's clean energy economy to meet state policy goals



## New York's Energy Future

This agreement moves New York closer to achieving its energy goals and contribute to a cleaner energy economy while promoting healthier and more sustainable communities.



- Committed to zero-net increase in gas usage
- No expansion of natural gas infrastructure; instead **promoting energy alternatives** such as heat pumps
- Expansion of electric vehicle infrastructure and other DER technology

#### Infrastructure Investments

Investments in the infrastructure will reduce service outages and shorten outage times while improving the customer experience.



- \$550 million for infrastructure improvements to replace aging equipment and improve reliability
- \$107 million for storm resiliency programs to reduce the frequency and duration of outages
- Investing to ensure the continued safety and reliability of our natural gas system

# **Increasing our Workforce**

We will increase local support for storm readiness and system emergencies by bolstering our workforce.

 Adding new line workers and additional field personnel across all regions of the service area

## Our goal is simple: to best serve our customers.

We will accomplish that through these necessary investments, new programs and enhancements – all while continuing to have among the lowest electric and gas rates in the state.

## **Tree Trimming**

The majority of NYSEG service outages in recent years have been caused by trees or branches. Dedicating additional funds to distribution tree trimming programs will address and improve this issue.

- \$57.2 million total annual budget for distribution tree trimming and maintenance
- \$17.2 million to focus on trimming areas where trees pose increased risk for outages
- \$10 million to address danger trees outside of the distribution right of way, including but not limited to, ash trees

#### **Smart Meters**

Advanced Metering Infrastructure installation to begin in 2022 and introduces several customer benefits.



- Eliminates estimated billing
- Promotes energy management by providing the customer with detailed usage data
- Improved outage detection, response, and restoration
- Supports energy efficiency efforts and New York's energy goals











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