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AN ACT directing the power authority of the state of New York to release requests for proposals on certain natural gas powered generating facilities in and around New York city

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section 1. (a) The power authority of the state of New York ("authori-
2 ty") shall within 90 days of the effective date of this act, issue a
3 request for the proposals to purchase from the authority one or more of
4 the ten gas turbine electric generating facilities with a nameplate
5 capacity of less than 80 megawatts each, owned by the authority as of
6 the effective date of this act and located in and around the city of New
7 York. Such request for proposals to sell such generators shall be put
8 out for bid for a maximum of 90 days and shall include the following
9 sites and generating facilities:
- 10 (1) Two units at Harlem river yard plant, located in the Harlem River
11 Yards, at E. 132nd street, Bronx, New York 10454;
- 12 (2) Two units at Vernon Boulevard, located at 41-98, 42-02, 42-16
13 Vernon boulevard, Long Island City, Queens, New York 11101;
- 14 (3) Two units at the Hell Gate plant, located at Locust Avenue, E.
15 132nd street to E. 134th street, Bronx, New York 10454;
- 16 (4) Two units at the Windsor Terrace power plant, located at 3rd
17 avenue and 23rd street, Brooklyn, New York 11232;
- 18 (5) One unit at Pouch terminal; located at 1 Edgewater street, Staten
19 Island, New York 10305; and

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 (6) One unit at North First avenue and River street, located at 47-79
2 River street, Brooklyn, New York 11211.

3 (b) The authority shall issue such requests to determine, among other
4 things the likely value to New York state for the sale of such genera-
5 tors. The authority shall, within 30 days of the end of the solicitation
6 period, report on the range of solicited bids to the governor, the
7 temporary president of the senate and the speaker of the assembly,
8 subject to all appropriate and applicable confidentiality requirements
9 with respect to individual bids and information contained therein.

10 (c) The authority, as its trustees deem feasible and in the interest
11 of the authority and the citizens of the state of New York, shall be
12 authorized to permit the sale of one or more of the turbine electric
13 facilities listed in subdivision (a) of this section. Revenues collected
14 from such sale or sales shall be placed in a dedicated account in the
15 custody of the authority and used to reduce electricity costs for
16 private primary and secondary schools in the state of New York. The
17 authority shall, as deemed feasible and advisable by the trustees,
18 create and implement programs to promote energy efficiency, the instal-
19 lation of renewable or clean energy technologies, and to aggregate ener-
20 gy purchases for such private primary and secondary schools. As it
21 relates to renewable or clean energy projects only those technologies
22 eligible for net metering under section 66-j or 66-l of the public
23 service law shall qualify.

24 S 2. In order to measure the effectiveness of the programs created
25 pursuant to this act, the authority shall issue a report on July 1,
26 2018, and every other year from that date forward. Such report shall
27 contain information on each program created and shall measure energy and
28 monetary savings achieved by each private primary or secondary school,
29 as well as full accounting of the funds remaining in the dedicated
30 account. A copy of the report shall be provided to the temporary presi-
31 dent of the senate, the speaker of the assembly, the chair of the senate
32 energy and telecommunications committee, the chair of the assembly ener-
33 gy committee and also published on the authority's website.

34 S 3. This act shall take effect immediately.