

BEFORE THE
STATE OF NEW YORK
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of

Case 07-M-0906

Joint Petition of Iberdrola, S.A., Energy East Corporation, RGS Energy Group, Inc., Green Acquisition Capital, Inc., New York State Electric & Gas Corporation and Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation for Approval of the Acquisition of Energy East Corporation by Iberdrola, S.A.

January 31, 2008

Exhibit ____ (RDM – 1)

QUALIFICATION OF WITNESSES**A. JAMES A. LAHTINEN****Present**

Position: Mr. Lahtinen is an officer and Vice President – Rates and Regulatory Economics for New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (“NYSEG”). He is also an officer of Rochester Gas and Electric Corporation (“RG&E”). His business address is 89 East Avenue, Rochester, New York 14649.

**Educational
Background:**

Mr. Lahtinen graduated from the State University of Plattsburg with a B.A. degree in Economics. He also holds a M.A. in Economics from the State University of New York at Albany.

Experience:

In his present position at NYSEG and RG&E, Mr. Lahtinen is responsible for all aspects of rate regulation. Before joining NYSEG and RG&E, Mr. Lahtinen was employed by Duquesne Light Company and one of its affiliates for 11 years. At Duquesne, he held the positions of Manager, Transmission Services (1991-1996), General Manager-Rates and Regulatory Analysis (1996-1999), and Vice President-Rates (2001-2002). From 1999-2001, he also held the position of Vice President-Rates and Regulatory Affairs at AquaSource, Inc., an affiliate of Duquesne. Mr. Lahtinen was an economic consultant for Bower Rohr & Associates from 1989-1991. From 1984-1989, he served as Director-Economic and Regulatory Analysis at Central Vermont Public Service Co. Before Mr. Lahtinen entered the private sector, he was employed by the New York State Department of Public Service from 1979-1984 and held the position of Principal Economist. From 1977-1979, Mr. Lahtinen was also an Economist at the New York State Consumer Protection Board.

Mr. Lahtinen has testified on several occasions before the PSC, the most recent being Case 07-E-0479. In addition, Mr. Lahtinen has testified before regulatory commissions in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Vermont, Connecticut, Indiana, the District of Columbia and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

B. DAVID W. SEGAL

Present

Position: Mr. Segal is Principal with The Northbridge Group.

**Educational
Background:**

Mr. Segal graduated from Brown University in 1985 with a Bachelor of Science degree in applied mathematics and economics and obtained a Masters in Business Administration from Harvard University in 1990.

Experience:

Mr. Segal has been employed by The NorthBridge Group, an economic and management consulting firm providing advice to clients in the electric and natural gas industries, since 1992. Mr. Segal has consulted with electric utility clients regarding industry restructuring, asset divestitures, stranded cost measurement, risk management, and general industry strategy. Before joining The NorthBridge Group, he was an Associate with Putnam, Hayes & Bartlett where he also advised electric utility clients.

Mr. Segal has testified on several occasions before the PSC, including Case 01-E-0359, the Electric Price Protection Plan of NYSEG, in Cases 02-E-0198 and 01-G-0199, the most recent electric and gas rate proceedings for RG&E, and Case 05-E-1222, the NYSEG 2005 Electric Rate Plan Extension Filing.

C. NEIL S. FISHER

Present

Position: Mr. Fisher is a principal with The Northbridge Group.

**Educational
Background:**

Mr. Fisher graduated from Swarthmore College in 1984 with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics with Honors and obtained a Masters in Business Administration from Yale University in 1989.

Experience:

Mr. Fisher has been employed by The NorthBridge Group, an economic and management consulting firm providing advice to clients in the electric and natural gas industries, since 1993. Since joining The NorthBridge Group in 1993, he has consulted with electric utility clients regarding industry restructuring and default

service design. He has also developed strategies for unregulated retail electric service companies interested in participating in retail markets. Before joining The NorthBridge Group, he was an associate with Putnam, Hayes & Bartlett where I also advised electric utility clients.

Mr. Fisher has testified on several occasions before the PSC, including Case 05-E-1222, the NYSEG 2005 Electric Rate Plan Extension Filing, and in Case 96-E-0891 in regards to NYSEG's rate design issues associated with the retail access credit.