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A Local Law to amend the New York city charter, in relation to creating a high energy demand contingency plan.

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 1 of the New York city charter, is amended by adding thereto a new section 20 to read as follows:

§20. High energy demand contingency plan. a. On or before January 1, 2007, the mayor shall prepare and implement a contingency plan specifying actions to be taken to respond to instances of high energy demand that may result in adverse impacts to public health, safety and welfare. This plan shall include, but not be limited to, the following: (1) high energy demand response stages and corresponding guidelines regarding the definition of each stage; (2) a structure by which high energy demand response stages are declared and information regarding such stages is shared with the private sector and the public; (3) for each of the high energy demand response stages, identification of, and implementation strategies for, energy conservation measures and, where appropriate, rules concerning energy usage and methods for enforcing such rules, to reduce energy usage by city agencies, the private sector and the public; and (4) coordination with appropriate state and city entities, such as the new york state independent system operator, the new york state public service commission, the new york state energy research and development authority, the department of small business services, the department of environmental protection and the economic development corporation. This plan shall be submitted to the speaker of the council, the public advocate and the comptroller immediately upon its completion.

b. The mayor shall review the plan required by subdivision a of this section no later than January 1, 2009, and no less often than every two years thereafter, at which times the mayor shall revise such plan, as appropriate. Any such revision shall be completed within four months of any review undertaken in accordance with this subdivision.

c. Immediately upon completion of each review undertaken pursuant to subdivision b of this section, the mayor shall submit to the speaker of the council, the public advocate and the comptroller a revised plan and a letter explaining why revisions were made and determined to be necessary, except that if the plan has not been revised, the mayor shall submit a letter to that effect to the speaker

of the council, the public advocate and the comptroller, which shall include an explanation of why no revisions were made.

§2. This local law shall take effect immediately.

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