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The City of New York enjoys enormous richness and complexity, characteristics that also present challenges to maintaining its fragile environment. This is particularly true as the City strives to become a paradigm of sustainability.

The CEQR Technical Manual was initially written in 1993, soon after procedural changes were made in the City's environmental review process. It was revised in 2001. This 2010 edition is the result of a thorough review and update performed by the City's technical agencies under the supervision of the Mayor's Office of Environmental Coordination.

While striving to maintain the highest technical and scientific standards, this edition also is intended to be more user friendly, particularly for smaller entities and the public, while ensuring a more efficient and predictable process for all participants.

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