# NYPA Renewables Strategic Plan

## Written Comment Record

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**First Name:** Bridge Clean Air

**Last Name:**

**Comments:**
Greetings,

Clean Air requests that, at a minimum, a public hearing date be added to the calendar for NYPA's Renewables Strategic Plan in the City of Buffalo. Similarly, while Lewiston is closer to Niagara Falls than Buffalo is, a hearing should be held within the city of Niagara Falls proper.

The Niagara Power Vista, while a convenient location for NYPA staff, is not accessible by public transportation or other means of transportation other than personal vehicles. Buffalo is the largest population center in upstate New York, as well as the largest one in Western New York, and one in three households does possess a car.

If NYPA is genuinely interested in engaging residents of WNY on this topic, then hearings must be held in locations which the general public can easily access, or NYPA should plan to offer a shuttle service from the City of Buffalo and from downtown Niagara Falls.

If NYPA would appreciate recommendations for locations to hold a hearing, we strongly recommend the Central Library (https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/central-downtown-buffalo <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.buffalolib.org/locations-hours/central-downtown-buffalo__;!!MQuuhw!1M_36aVFpntRCKHDcIrQZXdf52u1_7FX4CL-2ozbYVcI49-zxtvipWtoLzrClKERI4y1oJkLBOVh6bjcp-9y-mI9aaU$> ) which is a standard location for statewide public hearings. Likewise, the auditorium at the Earl Brydges Main Library in downtown Niagara Falls (https://www.niagarafallspubliclib.org/services/room_reservations.php <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.niagarafallspubliclib.org/services/room_reservations.php__;!!MQuuhw!1M_36aVFpntRCKHDcIrQZXdf52u1_7FX4CL-2ozbYVcI49-zxtvipWtoLzrClKERI4y1oJkLBOVh6bjcp-9yVnP4YEU$> ) is an excellent location for public hearings.

Thank you for your consideration on this topic,
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716-852-3813 x106 | 371 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14202 | Donate to Clean Air
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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Comments___NYPA_Draft_Renewables_Strategic_Plan/NYPA_Hearing_Comments_11_7_2024.pdf

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**Last Name:** Carpenter-Neuhaus

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**First Name:** Beverly

**Last Name:** Solow

**Comments:** My daughter lives in Maine and my brother lives in FL.  Both had to use generators last week because their power was out and there was so much damage from extreme weather induced by conditions exacerbated by climate change.  Obviously they don't live in NY, but we are all connected by climate change. You have the power to influence this situation. I'm asking you to use it! Let NYPA do its job and build 15 GW by 2030.  Did you know that Pakistan built 13 GW in 6 months? We can do this! Here's the details below, but I wanted to tell you my own personal thoughts as well.

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**First Name:** Mark

**Last Name:** Pezzati

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**First Name:** Chris

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**First Name:** David

**Last Name:** Katz

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This is unacceptable. To meet the CLCPA targets, NYPA must lead the charge by building at least 15 GW of public renewable energy, as demanded by the NY State AFL-CIO,

Building Trades Council, and thousands of New Yorkers.

The draft plan also has several other critical shortcomings:

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Thank you for your leadership on this critical issue.

Sincerely,

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Sincerely.

Maggie Kogan
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**Comments:** Dear Mr. Driscoll,

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Sincerely,

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**First Name:** Max

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October 28th, 2024

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My name is Max Micallef and I’m the NYS Advocacy Manager – Clean Air Initiatives with the American Lung Association. The combustion of fossil fuel for energy production, including nonrenewable utilities usage, continues to be a great contributor to negative health outcomes throughout the State due to the air pollution these sources cause. This includes COPD, asthma, and lung cancer. With this public comment submission, we would like to provide further information toward your decision-making regarding your current “Build Public Renewables” draft strategic planning.

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To protect the lung health of all New Yorkers, we must make sure we aim toward fulfilling the full capacity Build Public Renewables holds. We hope you consider the above toward your strategic planning in fulfilling Build Public Renewables, and therefore CLCPA goals.

Thank you.

Max Micallef (any pronouns)

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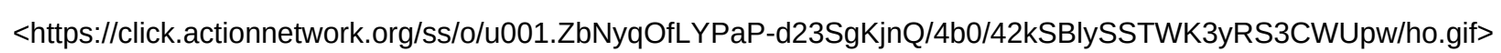
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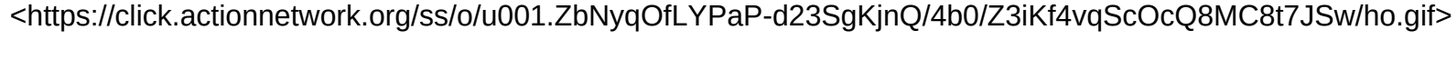
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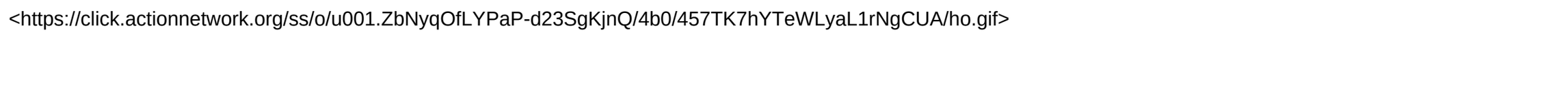
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**Last Name:** Peter L.

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Director of Energy Conservation and Sustainability

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Westchester County, located in the heart of the historic Hudson Valley, covers 500 square miles and has a population of just over a million.  Originally home to Native Americans, who were members of the Lenape tribe, it is today a rich mix of many cultures and landscapes.  The County is a blend of bustling cities, quaint villages and

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**First Name:** Gary

**Last Name:** Abraham

**Comments:** Dear Mr. Driscoll:

I am an environmental attorney practicing in upstate New York, with several municipal and community-based clients concerned about the adverse effects of large-scale renewable energy projects. I have represented such clients before, during and after Public Service Law Article 10.

It is time to shift New York's energy goals from renewables to nuclear power. Doing so will free up resources for adaptation to unavoidable extreme weather, to build back better when extreme weather causes disasters. Nuclear should qualify under the Build Public Renewables Act, which directs the New York Power Authority to build enough low-emissions power plants to ensure that we meet the CLCPA target of 100% by 2040. Efforts to achieve a certain proportion of wind + solar + batteries + backup power on the grid are unlikely to reduce emissions in any meaningful way. Nuclear does not need backup power or batteries and can use existing transmission lines. NYISO calculates a capacity value for renewables as low as 12 percent, and for renewables it is 100 percent. Moreover, renewables are in a constant state of repair ("repowering") and last about 20 years, but nuclear power plants can be commissioned for 80 years and likely longer. NYPA acknowledges that most proposed large-scale renewable projects will never get built, but most nuclear plant proposals do. The comparison is between high-value reliable electricity for 80 years versus costly, unreliable electricity for 20 years. Conceptually, the cost-benefit advantage of nuclear is clear. Nuclear is needed to reach the zero-emissions capacity needed to meet CLCPA goals.

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**Last Name:** Melnyk

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**First Name:** tomme8

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**First Name:** Margaret

**Last Name:** Human

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**First Name:** Brenden

**Last Name:** Taylor

**Comments:** Dear Governor Hochul,

I am writing to express my deep concern regarding the recent draft plan for the Build Public Renewables Act (BPRA) as presented by the New York Power Authority (NYPA). This plan is essential to achieving our state's climate goals, fostering economic growth, and ensuring environmental justice.

Last year, after a sustained, four-year fight supported by thousands of New Yorkers and allies such as AOC and the United Auto Workers (UAW), we celebrated the passing of the Build Public Renewables Act. This landmark legislation was a significant step forward, positioning New York to lead the nation in public energy transformation.

However, despite these efforts, the most recent draft plan introduced by NYPA CEO Justin Driscoll falls alarmingly short of expectations. The proposed plan aims to build only 3.5 gigawatts of publicly owned renewables”a figure that represents less than a half measure of what is needed. To meet New York's legally and scientifically mandated climate goals, NYPA must commit to building at least 15 gigawatts of renewable energy by 2030.

The implications of such a shortfall are profound:

Meeting Climate Goals: Building 15 gigawatts is essential to get New York back on track to becoming a fossil fuel-free state and adhering to climate commitments.

Creating Green Union Jobs: This scale of investment would create 25,000 new union jobs, paving the way for a sustainable and economically secure future.

Lowering Energy Costs: Expanded public renewables would lower energy bills for those who need relief the most, providing economic benefits to countless families.

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Governor, New York has the chance to be a national leader in public power and climate action. I urge you to demand an ambitious and comprehensive plan from NYPA that delivers on the promise of the Build Public Renewables Act. New Yorkers are counting on this commitment to secure a healthier, more equitable, and sustainable future.

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Sincerely,

Brenden Taylor

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**Last Name:** Eisinger

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Sincerely,
Joanne Eisinger, member
Save Sauquoit Valley Views

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**First Name:** John

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The attached document is a comparison of existing nuclear energy with wind and solar.  If NY is serious about green energy and the environment it should stop all support of wind and solar and focus on nuclear energy development.

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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Comments_on_Strategic_Plan/A_Comparison_of_Existing_Nuclear_with_Wind_and_Solar_Energy.pdf

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**Submit Date:** 11/05/2024 11:54:24 AM

**First Name:** Sheila

**Last Name:** Salvatore

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New York State is to be commended for working to address our growing energy needs and my attendance at the recent NYS Energy Summit in Syracuse, NY, was enlightening. I very much appreciate Governor Hochul's interest in a realistic path forward to power the Empire State. I have spent over 15 years as a community activist for NYS energy. It is clear industrial wind turbines and solar panels are not able to supply the energy our dynamic state requires. We must put our time, effort and financial backing into what has proven to be our best and most RELIABLE green energy - nuclear. At the energy summit I was most intrigued to learn of the remarkable work by Exodys Energy - headquartered right here in NYS - that recycles nuclear waste into more energy! Now is a wonderful opportunity for New York State to become energy independent and responsible for the minuscule waste nuclear energy produces - just a soda can's worth for the entire life use per person - that can now be reused for more energy! Comparing that with the hundreds of thousands of acres required for industrial wind turbines and solar panels - made in China, the complete ruination of farm fields and forests, the total destruction of towns and villages, and thousands of glass panels, turbine blades and yards of concrete that can't be recycled and must be buried in landfills - the choice is very clear. Please count me in support of New York State making the responsible investment in nuclear for a secure energy future for us taxpayers.

Thank you - Sheila Salvatore

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**Comments:** Too many New Yorkers are forced to pay for gas and electric power through *payment plans*.  They never catch up, and the bills grow higher and higher.  For the climate crisis, for environmental justice and for a healthier NYS economy:  We must take action to Build Public Renewables.

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**Submit Date:** 11/06/2024 09:50:00 AM

**First Name:** Madeleine

**Last Name:** Streets

**Comments:** Dear Kathleen C. Hochul,

I live in Astoria in New York City and am usually proud to call this city and state my own. But I am appalled at where we currently stand on environmental measures. Climate change is real and happening before our eyes. I am terrified of how the new administration will wreck the US' current commitments to sustainability and set us further on a course that will literally see the world burn. It is unconscionable to not act when we have the power and ability to do so. I urge you to take this issue seriously. Your constituents' lives and livelihoods are at stake -- and that isn't even hyperbole.

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**First Name:** Devaki

**Last Name:** Vivek

**Comments:** _____

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Please find the attached document on the subject.

Would appreciate the receipt of this email and feedback.

Thank you,

Best,

Devaki Vivek.

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**First Name:** Paonessa,

**Last Name:** Louis

**Comments:** FYI We will direct them to submit directly to this email address but just in case…..

Lou

From: Rossi, Angela
Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2024 3:19 PM
To: Paonessa, Louis

Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan

Lou,

I’m not sure what I should do with this, but here is Feedmore’s comment.

Angela Panaro Rossi

Program Manager, Economic Development

New York Power Authority

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Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2024 9:00 AM
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lAngela,

I am able to attend tomorrow’s hearing about the NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan. I will attend the morning session. Below and attached are the comments from FeedMore WNY.

Please accept this email as feedback from FeedMore WNY on the New York Power Authority (NYPA)’s Draft Strategic Plan for 40 new renewable energy generating projects in order to support New York State’s renewable energy goals. These projects impact every region of our state, and represent a total pipeline capacity of 3.5 gigawatts. As a hunger-relief organization dedicated to supporting our vulnerable community members, we are appreciative of the components of the Plan that promote job creation and benefit economically-disadvantaged New Yorkers.

NYPA is committed to providing a clean energy economy that is also fiscally responsible. Through the establishment of the Renewable Energy Access and Community Help (REACH) Program, NYPA will use a portion of revenues generated by the new renewable energy projects to support low- or moderate-income households in disadvantaged

communities through electric utility bill credits. The individuals and families assisted by FeedMore WNY often face difficult and impossible decisions, including choosing between purchasing groceries and paying their utility bills. We are grateful that NYPA's Draft Strategic Plan includes these provisions to help ease the burdens of our neighbors in need.

NYPA is also a steadfast supporter of workforce development, and the NYPA Board of Trustees has approved more than $12.6 million in funding to date in order to support workforce development training initiatives throughout the state. Through the Draft Strategic Plan, NYPA will invest up to $25 million annually in workforce training in collaboration with the New York State Department of Labor. NYPA will also require a project labor agreement for every renewable energy project that will mandate all associated contractors and subcontractors to employ apprenticeship agreements, so trainees on initial projects can become established veterans for NYPA's future renewable plans. Unemployment and underemployment are leading root causes of poverty and food insecurity, which is why FeedMore WNY established our workforce development program known as Readying Individuals for Success and Employment (RISE). We continue to witness the life-changing impacts that workforce development training has on the individuals (as well as their families) who graduate from our program, and we know that NYPA's investment in workforce training will provide brighter futures to countless community members.

NYPA's support of the community is also demonstrated through their continued partnership with our organization. Through a research collaboration funded by NYPA's Environmental Justice Program and led by the national Electric Power Research Institute, FeedMore WNY received an indoor hydroponic container farm in 2020 that has since transformed our ability to provide produce for our neighbors in need, enabling us to grow fresh food year-round for the benefit of the community. And, as NYPA is committed to improving the future through clean, renewable energy projects, they also are dedicated to improving the lives of Western New Yorkers through the support of FeedMore WNY's project to create a new, unified headquarters. FeedMore WNY was grateful to receive a $5 million contribution from NYPA through the WNY Power Proceeds Allocation Board for our capital campaign, which will assist food-insecure Western New Yorkers today and for generations to come.

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**First Name:** Leah

**Last Name:** Bargnesi

**Comments:** _____

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Hello,

I would like to voice my comments for this draft plan for building renewable energy.

I think that we definitely need renewable energy and we needed it yesterday to ensure a livable future.

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Overall, I think we need to continue being ambitious with our renewable energy goals, but we need to do it correctly.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best,
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**Comments:** With New York City's winters growing warmer, an increase in wildfires sweeping across the U.S. and Canada, and more frequent, severe flooding events, the impacts of climate change are undeniable and immediate. Global warming has led to record-breaking temperatures and more extreme weather events, which underscore the urgent need to meet New York's climate goals. However, New York State is lagging significantly in achieving the mandates of the 2019 Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), which set ambitious targets for cutting greenhouse gas emissions and increasing renewable energy.

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below the level required to meet these targets. According to NYPA's own analysis, the majority of these projects may not come to fruition.

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In addition to the shortfall in total capacity, the draft strategic plan has other critical deficiencies:

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**Submit Date:** 11/08/2024 10:22:00 AM

**First Name:** Becca

**Last Name:** Ray

**Comments:** Dear Mr. Driscoll and Governor Hochul,

My name is Becca Ray, I am a resident of Bedford Stuyvesant in Brooklyn, New York. With the election results this week and the trending rightward shift across the country, including in New York State, I feel the need more than ever for tangible, positive progress that represent our values as Democrats and that can be felt by the people of New York. The current draft strategic plan for the NYPA will not deliver that. We need to do better; we need to show that such action is attainable; and most importantly we need to commit to clean energy and decarbonization for the sake of our health and the vitality of future generations.

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**Submit Date:** 11/09/2024 11:50:00 AM

**First Name:** susanne

**Last Name:** oberbeck

**Comments:** With an unprecedented drought hitting new york this fall and prospect park on fire, it is becoming clear that climate change is posing an immediate risk to new yorkers. Scientists keep reminding us that not nearly enough is being done to avert dangerous climate breakdown in the near future. With Donald Trump, an apparent climate change denier being reelected, the stakes are higher than ever. Politicians in New York must do whatever is in their power to speed up the transition to clean energy.

I live in lower Manhattan in an old tenement building. During the horrendous air quality from wildfires in 2023 and also this year, it has been impossible to keep the bad air out of my apartment because the building is 120 years old and windows and walls are not sealed. Should the bad air quality become a regular occurrence I am not sure i can stay in New York without risking ruining my health. However my job and friends are in New York and I™ve lived here for 18 years.

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**Last Name:** Dietz Blitz

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Get started - get moving on enacting the building of Public renewables - It is the law!

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**Source:** Public NY Advocates

**Submit Date:** 11/09/2024 03:52:00 PM

**First Name:** Jessica

**Last Name:** P

**Comments:** Hello!

My name is Jessica and I live in Brooklyn. I am writing to you today to urge you to increase the building of public renewables to 15 GW.

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I have been living by Prospect Park for years now and for the first time while I™ve been here, it caught on fire last night due to high temperatures and dry climate.

I™m terrified as a young person. My boss told me the other day how when she moved here ten years ago, it could be snowing during this time of year and now it is often 70 degrees or higher. I beg you to please comply with the law and support the future of New Yorkers like me. I believe we can turn things around, but we must take action.

Thank you for your time.

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**Last Name:** Oscarlece

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**First Name:** Emily

**Last Name:** Meagher

**Comments:** Good evening,

My name is Emily Meagher and I am a resident of Brooklyn, NY. As a 29-year-old, I have grown up fully in the time of developing climate crisis, and am SICK of us not doing more with all the information we have. 2024 (soon to be 2025) is NOT the year to still be dragging our feet on building renewable power. We NEED to act NOW.

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My name is John Szalasny and I am the author of the three linked articles from Buffalo Rising, an online publication focused on issues in the Western New York region. My focus for the publication is on environmental issues and although I am not an expert in the field, nor am I employed within the renewable energy field, I am well aware of the importance of as quick and as smooth a transition as possible from our current fossil-fuel based energy system to a carbon and methane emissions-free system if my children and grandchildren wish to have a world they can live on. I have also been on the Executive Committee with the Sierra Club Niagara Group for the past 10 years and have been involved in action on a wide variety of energy and environmental topics.

I attended the Public Hearings at the Niagara Power Project (NPP) on November 7th and realized that three minutes would not be enough time to complete my comments. In no particular order, I would like to see the NY Power Authority include in the Renewables Strategic Plan the following that could be implemented today and would allow the State to meet the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) renewable mandates:

1.
One of the ways to decrease the amount of project time is to eliminate the need to scout for, negotiate for, purchase and develop a site for large projects. New York State already owns many large sites, and our SUNY campus system would be ideal for large scale solar projects. The buildings generally have flat roofs, the buildings are surrounded by even larger flat parking lots, and the remainder of these campuses include larger grassy buffer spaces, each of which can be developed without public opposition. Covering either the parking areas or the buildings would also help decrease the heat island effect of these campuses during the summer months. Pairing energy production with these large energy users also eliminates most of the energy transmission losses that would occur if the power was sent off-site.
2.
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Other things (that would take a bit more work) that I would like to see in the Renewables Strategic Plan:

3.
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**Last Name:** Segall-Dillon

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**Last Name:** Fleischer

**Comments:** Yesterday, we were stuck inside because our beloved park had a fire, due to drought and the air quality was unhealthy.
This is certainly not the first time climate change has damaged Brooklyn. It will certainly not be the last.
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**First Name:** Laura

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**Comments:** Hi! My name is Laura Torlaschi and I live in Astoria. I'm devastated by the increasingly blatant evidence that our planet is dying. I'm a birder and love birdwatching in New York City's amazing parks. I worry for our birds, and I worry for our city. I grew up in Florida, surrounded by hurricanes, and I know NYC is not built for even a fraction of that destruction.

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**Last Name:** Smith

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To be frank, I have been deeply disappointed with your administration so far, and I know that many others feel the same way. I implore you to demonstrate that you are willing to take the actions necessary to help ordinary, working people, so that we do not have to organize against you in the upcoming primary.

Regards,
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**Last Name:** Redzinak

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**First Name:** Margo

**Last Name:** Gregory

**Comments:** Governor Hochul and Mr. Driscoll,

Divest from FOSSIL FUELS. Fracking is going to become a mute point in the future. National Grid continues to build or try to build fracked gas infrastructure in NYS that is going to become totally useless in the future, on the bankroll of the ratepayers in NYS. We want publically-owned utilities and private companies out of our power system.

By 2030 you should:

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Thanks you for giving this every effort, it is truly important for you to act in your power capacity,
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**First Name:** Wendy

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**Comments:** This weekend we awoke to choking air from a fire in Prospect Park. This is not the first time climate change has come to Brooklyn and it won™t be the last.
We need NYPA to build 15 GW to meet our climate goals“enough to power 12 million households. When we build 15 GW we will create 25,000 green union jobs, ensure super polluting peaker plants are retired by 2030, and lower utility bills for the New Yorkers who need it the most.

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Sincerely,
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NYPA has done a great job doing things private developers can't do -- like building and managing large hydro.  NYPA's proper role now would be to site and build new nuclear -- a sector where there would be no private competition and where state renewable subsidies do not encourage private developers to go.

NYPA's time/energy/dollars would be wasted competing with private developers for renewable projects.  As NYSERDA's report indicates, we would need to be installing solar/wind at 4-5 times the current pace to meet 70-by-30 or 100-by-40 targets. Instead, according to NYISO, we are compromising grid reliability and according to Comptroller, hiking rates on utilities with a million rate-payers already in arrears. The Business Council and Comptroller Audit tell us we should reassess the timelines, buildout, and targets in the CLCPA and scoping plan.

I am a taxpayer of NYS and member of Protect Our Coast – LINY and am appalled at the lack of checks and balances of the Climate Action Council (CAC) by the mandates in the Climate Leadership Community Protection Act (CLCPA) bill of 2019.

Protect Our Coast – LINY hired an engineer to produce a Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) to show the true costs of offshore wind mandates to NYS ratepayers.

The CBA came on the heels of Governor Hochul and NYSERDA allowing Equinor, to rebid their Empire Wind 1 project at a higher strike price, dismissing the vote against rate increases by the Public Service Commission (PSC). PSC, NYS ratepayers, businesses and elected officials opposed this increase – the mentality of “the state will do what the state wants” has to stop now.

The CLCPA is financially inequitable to all NYS ratepayers. The CBA proves that costs will triple what current ratepayers are currently paying for electricity.

Governor Kathy Hochul’s own Budget Director Blake G. Washington admitted during a budget discussion that she is “uneasy” with how much it’ll cost to implement NY’s mandate climate goals. He also stated that taxes will be needed to reach their targets and that should be a clear sign to everyone that New York State needs to go back to drawing board on this issue. The rush to mandates involved in the state’s overly ambitious rush to end fuel choice for NYS residents are too costly, cost too many jobs and are too rushed to make sense.

The NYS Comptroller audited NYSERDA and the PSC on their egregious goals of zero emissions regardless of costs to all NYS ratepayers. DiNapoli’s audit of July 2024 stated “Improved Planning Needed for New York To Achieve Its Clean Energy Goals.” The audit found inadequate planning, monitoring and assessment of risks and challenges in the PSC’s efforts to help the state meet the Climate Act targets, which seek 70% renewably sourced electricity by 2030 and net-zero emissions by 2040.

The Business Council, engineers, tax-payers, and rate-payers alike have grave concerns on the state’s 2030, 2040, and 2050 decarbonization targets. A recent Business Council letter to Governor Hochul – with sixty co-signers including dozens of unions and chambers of commerce – amplifies these concerns with the plan’s cost and reliability. As reported by NYS energy

research and development authority (NYSERDA) on the 15-E-0302 CES docket: The amounts of Tier 1 (solar and wind) project deployment that would be needed in order to achieve the 70% goal in 2030 may far exceed what the renewables industry could be expected to develop in this timeframe.

The Public Service Commission (PSC) echoes these concerns with progress in meeting goals in the state plan. The grid operator, NYISO, indicates that the downstate region faces a narrowing capacity margin over the next decade, even in normal weather, with the possibility of a significant shortfall as early as next summer. This is where we are after Albany voided home rule and environmental protection across the state; after Albany changed the assessment model robbing small communities of fair taxes on industrial buildout, after Albany gave developers eminent domain authority to take private land to run the hundreds – perhaps thousands – of miles

of transmission needed for solar and wind buildout.

To date, no robust engineering analysis suggests the plan will work. There has been no rigorous fiscal analysis. Instead, evidence seems to indicate that the state's planned installations of solar, wind, battery, and transmission will not reliably power the grid and will not prove affordable. Onshore wind and solar contracts cancelled last year were rebid at higher costs and subsequently approved by the PSC. Energy prices from offshore projects will be double or triple current wholesale electricity costs in the metro region, and that's before any transmission or storage has been built.

Currently, about one in eight residential customers are in arrears—more than 1.2 million statewide -- with $1.8 billion owed to utility companies across New York. How spiking energy prices will impact these citizens and others currently struggling to pay bills should be no mystery. Politico reported, upstate NY electric customers are already paying 10 percent of their

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the programs — $48 billion in projects is set to be funded by consumers over the next two

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**First Name:** Marysa

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This is not something that can wait until later. We need to get this moving now. You have the power to put this into action.

Respectfully,
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**Last Name:** Kogel

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**Last Name:** Demopolos

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**Last Name:** Giugno

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**First Name:** bill

**Last Name:** Toohey

**Comments:** _____

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Re; ORES 23-00033 Rock district Solar- Cypress Creek/Greenbacker
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We live in an embattled community that is fighting: not only a State authority funding the work [NYSERDA], another State agency permitting the work [ORES], and a well-funded private developer, Cypress Creek/ Greenbacker, an out-ot-state owner. And now we have to contend with yet another State Authority [NYPA] that could "plan, design, develop, finance, construct, own, operate, maintain and improve renewable energy generation projects."
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A clear example is the solar projects similar to our proposed project currently in place and/or under construction in Sharon springs, NY! Small communities are not equipped or capable of defending themselves from this government overreach. They should not have to have these battles!

Schoharie County Citizens Against Solar Aasalt -CASA

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**Last Name:** Slizeski

**Comments:** Hello,

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**Comments:** All of us know climate change is real. I say we approach it by having a board who makes students have to turn in 50 empty bottles each semester. That way it'll clean up the envirnoment and force everyone to put their used bottles somewhere beneficial

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**First Name:** Katherine

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**First Name:** Victor

**Last Name:** Flores

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**Last Name:** Guevara Ferrer

**Comments:** _____

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**Last Name:** McGough

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Here in the Hudson Valley we have also had to deal with a private energy provider that for months could not figure out how to bill its customers. Local contractors and other businesses would go out of business if they couldn't figure out how to bill their customers, but Central Hudson is still our expensive power provider.

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**First Name:** Bianca

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**First Name:** Sara

**Last Name:** Eckel

**Comments:**
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**First Name:** Lisa

**Last Name:** Harrison

**Comments:** Dear Mr. Driscoll,
I don't have to tell you about what fossil fuel is doing to our environment. Here in NYC people have drowned in their apartments and we now have wild fires in Prospect Park, Van Cortlandt Park, and Inwood Park. And since no rain is predicted, there will certainly be more. What will it take to get the NYPA to act on fixing this?

We need clean renewable energy. Offshore wind provides the most clean, reliable energy and it has been stalled for years. We need clean, proven wind and solar development, not dirty false solutions like nuclear, hydrogen, carbon capture, RNG, or Canadian megadam hydro.

We need public power because corporate utilities don't work for the people depending on them. In 2020, my building switched from our old steam heat system to air source heat pumps. Our electric bills went through the roof. The PSC continues to approve rate hikes to build more fossil fuel infrastructure. The system is corrupt.

We rely on our public agencies like NYPA to act in the interest of the people, not billionaire corporations. Please move quickly on public power, getting large scale offshore wind up and running, and distributing clean renewable energy. Our lives depend on it.

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**First Name:** Elliot

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**Comments:** Governor Hochul,

I'm Jake, an Astoria resident. My newly married wife and I are just beginning to start our family, and the threat of a climate crisis has put it all on hold. We're just simply not sure what the future looks like, which is why we need to take immediate and unprecedented action to stave off the active threat of climate change (currently in a historic drought)...

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**First Name:** Marysa

**Last Name:** Sacerdote

**Comments:** Hello, my name is Marysa Sacerdote and I live in Kingston, New York.

Our power company here is Central Hudson. Central Hudson is currently facing a multi-million-dollar settlement because of their repeated overbilling of our community members. My household has personally been over-billed by Central Hudson. Only once was the overcharge so noticeable that we disputed it; while the rest of the time, we paid all the bills as written. Since Central

Hudson switched over to metered billing, our bills have been consistently lower than they were before the meters were installed.

There is a lot of love for the environment in the Hudson Valley. People want to live here and raise their families, but gainful employment is hard to find in the area. I look forward to the creation of green union jobs in the Hudson Valley and in New York State.

I am writing to show my support for public renewable energy in NY. The environmental and socio-economic impact of this shift has the potential to positively impact this region for generations to come.

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**Last Name:** Kamalyan

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**First Name:** Kassie

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**Comments:** As we witness the growing impact of hurricanes and climate devastation around the world, it's clear that New York State is falling short in meeting the climate goals set by the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) of 2019. In response to this urgent challenge, New Yorkers voted for the Build Public Renewables Act, empowering the New York Power Authority (NYPA) to build enough renewable energy infrastructure to help us reach the ambitious CLCPA targets: 70% renewable electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040.

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But it's not just about increasing capacity. The current plan falls short in several key areas that could have profound impacts on our communities:

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**First Name:** Maddie

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Hello, I hope this letter finds you well!

I am a registered nurse from Brooklyn, who deeply cares about the environment. As a person who also has chronic asthma for over 2 decades and seasonal allergies her whole life, I have not only seen how climate change has negatively impacted the world and this state, but myself and my patients. The air quality has decreased significantly, decreasing our quality of life, Moreover, the threat of terrible environmental disasters that are much worse than we™ve seen before are real threats that we see now, including unprecedented hurricanes and climate devastation across the globe. I firmly believe that New York State is falling far behind on our climate goals mandated by the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act of 2019, and urging you to make changes to address these shortcomings.

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Thank you for your time reading my letter, and I hope this inspires you to reconsider the current goals of the Build Public Renewables Act and to improve upon it.

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**First Name:** MELISSA

**Last Name:** POND

**Comments:** Hello,

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**Last Name:** Lee

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**First Name:** Jack

**Last Name:** Killcoyne

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**First Name:** Mee-Lise

**Last Name:** Robinson

**Comments:** Hello,

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I am Mark Dunlea, chair of the Green Education and Legal Fund, a nonprofit organization promoting ecology, grassroots democracy, social and economic justice, and non-violence. I am also the convenor of PAUSE (People of Albany United for Safe Energy), the 350.org affiliate in the Capital District.

With life on the planet facing an existential crisis due to climate change, we urge the New York Power Authority (NYPA) to dramatically increase and speed up its plans to build additional renewable energy systems in New York that are publicly owned and democratically controlled. Not only is extreme weather accelerating, but for the last year global temperature increases have exceeded the target of 1.5-degree C.

New York State is falling far behind the inadequate climate goals mandated by the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act of 2019. To help solve this problem, New Yorkers passed the Build Public Renewables Act, which directs NYPA to build enough public renewables to ensure that we meet the CLCPA targets of 70% renewable electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040. NYPA's draft strategic plan for renewables is unacceptable as it proposes to build only 3.5 GW – nowhere near the capacity needed to meet CLCPA goals. Moreover, by NYPA's own admission, likely, the majority of these projects will never get built.

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The Renewables Strategic Plan is an abrogation of NYPA's responsibility to ensure that the state reaches 100% renewables by 2040, and their duty to New Yorkers to build a better future for future generations. In 2019, just 4% of New York's energy came from wind and solar power. That percentage has failed to move appreciably in the five years since. In the past decade, 70% of New York's privately-owned renewable projects have been abandoned or canceled, including 4 gigawatts worth of offshore wind just this past April.

The 3.5 gigawatts proposal is undermined by a number of factors:

*NYPA expects that we could see an 80-85% attrition rate for early stage projects and a 30-60% rate for more developed projects.
*By the state's own estimation, without new NYPA projects New York will only reach 44% renewable generation by 2030, falling short of the state's legal mandate for 70% renewable generation by 2030. The draft plan does not go far enough to get New York to 70%.

New York's transition to renewable energy is at a crossroads. Private power producers are facing a series of headwinds such as protracted interconnection processes, rising inflation, and increased interest rates. These factors diminish the profitability of their projects, and result in a poor track record for delivering on promised energy projects at projected costs. We also have a president elect who is a climate denier and wishes to rescind federal efforts to promote renewable energy

Recent cancellations of projects, and expensive rebids, have shown cracks at the heart of the State's approach to utilizing private developers to guide renewable energy development. Rising raw material prices, renewable energy and electrification component supply chain constraints, and high borrowing costs have made projects appear too risky, and therefore too financially unsustainable to undertake, to private investors primarily concerned about profits not the future of humanity.

NYPA has had over a year to plan for these contingencies and should have planned to build enough capacity to account for attrition. By only proposing 3.5 gigawatts, NYPA is setting the stage to fail to meet their own inadequate targets.

This projected failure has real consequences for everyday New Yorkers. Thanks to the Build Public Renewables Act, renewable projects built by NYPA are mandated to use union labor through prevailing wage and project labor agreements. That means an ambitious buildout of projects would create thousands of well-paid green jobs. The law also directs NYPA to shutter their super-polluting peaker plants by 2030, while also providing electric bill credits for low-income electric ratepayers based on revenue from renewable generation. All of these benefits will be diminished without a robust public renewable buildout.

Building at least 15 gigawatts of public renewable energy by 2030. Such a plan would create between 20,000 and 30,000 green union jobs, keep the retirement and conversion of NYPA's highly polluting peaker plants on schedule for 2030, and ensure electricity stays affordable for New Yorkers.

Public sector entities like NYPA need to play a proactive role in renewable energy deployment, prioritizing emission reductions and benefits to people over profit for developers and investors. NYPA can also take advantage of its tax-exempt status, low-cost financing mechanisms, and access to Federal tax credits under the Inflation Reduction Act to

lower project costs. NYPA needs to use its full toolkit to champion the transition to renewable energy by coordinating the construction of the electric grid and renewable energy, and partnering with state institutions to accelerate the transition. Historically, these are precisely the moments in which states can utilize their unique capacity to economically organize markets to facilitate the development of technology.

The United States is no stranger to this approach. During the Great Depression, NYPA and the Tennessee Valley Authority were established as public alternatives to for-profit utilities. Public power facilitated a massive buildout of public hydropower across the US. The Rural Electrification Administration led the rapid electrification of the United States, anchoring decades of social and economic development. In the 1950s, the Federal government deliberately placed pressure on market developers of nuclear energy by proposing to build their own.

With years of stagnation, and market actors yet to deliver on their promise to lead the transition to clean energy, the state can kickstart a competitive environment by developing its own renewable energy. To do so, we need an all-hands-on-deck approach at NYPA. We need to use its full breadth as a public agency to facilitate the development of renewable energy.

NYPA is well-placed to anchor New York's energy transition. It is a steward of the state's important hydropower baseload, has a rich history of relationships with its institutional public customers, and has successfully built transmission in the state, enabling it to help solve transmission and interconnection bottlenecks to renewable energy development. It is also the only institution in the state that can both build renewable energy generation and transmission, giving it a unique place in the anticipatory planning of the New York Independent System Operator and Public Service Commission.

Through its Economic Development funds, NYPA has the opportunity to coordinate renewable energy supply chains in the state, bringing a wide variety of jobs and economic activity to the state. In replacing its downstate peaker plants NYPA can show how fossil fuel plants can be decommissioned to meet environmental justice concerns without jeopardizing grid reliability. With its public mandate, NYPA can lead a transition process that builds democratic consent on renewables planning and peaker plant decommissioning.

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We have long urged that the transmission lines and systems in New York be publicly owned by an entity like NYPA in order to reduce costs to consumers, reduce coordination bottlenecks, and to speed up the process of bringing new renewable energy sources online.

We also urge NYPA to develop publicly owned geothermal systems, starting with the need to rapidly decarbonize the state capitol complex. Texas is the nation's leader in geothermal development, and they are using much of it to generate electricity.

The proposed Renewable Capitol Act would require the state to transition the Capitol complex (including the Empire State Plaza) to zero greenhouse gas emissions in 3 years. NYPA and OGS recently proposed taking ten years to cut emissions just at the Empire State Plaza only by 50%. After a decade, it would then consider installing a geothermal system.

The Capitol Complex is one of the 15 largest state buildings emitting greenhouse gases that NYPA has been charged with decarbonizing. We urge NYPA to adopt a much faster timeline to zero emissions and to immediately begin developing geothermal for the project, starting at least at the Capitol. NYPA and OGS also need to commit to finally shutting down the Sheridan Avenue Steam Plant, which for more than a century has polluted a low-income community of color with pollution from burning coal, oil, garbage, and now gas.

The Sheridan Hollow Alliance for Renewable Energy (SHARE), which PAUSE helped organize back in 2017, has been very disappointed by the lack of NYPA's progress over the last five years in developing a renewable electrical energy source for the Capitol as they were directed to do in the budget amendment that climate and community groups were able to win to stop NYPA's proposal to build fracked gas turbines for the Capitol Complex. From the start, we suggested that NYPA look for a renewable energy source in the Capital District rather than from the Oneida project that NYPA pursued. We hope that building a local renewable electric source for the Plaza will now become a priority for NYPA. We have long suggested that the state examine meeting the electric needs of the Capitol complex by supporting the expansion of the Green Island hydro facility, for which permission was granted more than a decade ago to expand from 6 MW to 48 MW.

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Thank you.

Sincerely,
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So why are we even having these debates? The time to do this was 20 years ago. Let's invest in a better world and forget about political legacies. Let's be the greatest nation in the world for more than just conflict.

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Please do not neglect your opportunity and your responsibility. I am a climate voter. I have never voted for anyone other than the Democrat on the ticket, but I have serious concerns about how you are managing our ecology and I am paying attention.

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**First Name:** karli

**Last Name:** kopp

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I foresee this problem will only worsen. As a farmhand who makes a little above minimum wage, I cannot afford such high utility cost in addition to other costs of living. Transitioning into renewable energy and public utilities is a no-brainer. I know that you are in the pockets of major corporations and often fail to listen to your voters--but perhaps this time you could consider thinking of the people and the future of NY state.

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**First Name:** Marysa

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Thank you,

Marysa Sacerdote

I live in Kingston, New York. Our power company, Central Hudson is currently facing a multi-million-dollar settlement because of repeated overbilling of our community members. My household has personally been over-billed by Central Hudson. Once, the overcharge was so noticeable that we disputed it; while the rest of the time, we paid the bills as written. Since Central Hudson switched over to metered billing, our bills have been consistently lower than before meters were installed. But, I don't think I'll be compensated for erroneous charges over prior years. They are also our only option for energy.

I am writing to show my support for industriously building public renewables. I look forward to creating Green Union jobs in the Hudson Valley and New York State. New York should adhere to the Build Public Renewable Act standards, which has already been passed. In order to meet the NY Climate Act goals by 2030 NY Power Authority's Strategic Plan must be updated to include at least 15 GW of renewables. There was a 44% projection shortfall acknowledged in the power authority's 24 conferral report. This 15 GW buildout will create 20-30,000 Green Union jobs There is also 25 million dollars available for job training per year to develop and sustain a pipeline of Green Union jobs. Now is the time for us to move forward with the commitment that was made.

From what I understand, a lot of the pushback on solar and wind farms has been from people who are not happy with the use of farmland for these purposes. They prefer for the beauty of nature to be untainted. These locations are often long distances from where energy is most needed, and they are not generating income or creating many local jobs. Can we start by using landfill or brownfield sites instead?

All K-12 public schools should be outfitted with solar panels, the same with state, county, and city buildings. There can be tax breaks or other assistance for buildings/parking lots that are also

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There is potential to generate energy on all SUNY & CUNY campuses. Working along with CUNY Staten Island could be amazing, it has some pretty impressive Hydropower training, and education programs: https://www.csi.cuny.edu/continuing-education/course-offerings/renewable-energy <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.csi.cuny.edu/continuing-education/course-offerings/renewable-energy__;!!MQuuhw!x_y1ika9TlnhT_BbIv1ke1aHhk5choUS5thNze7cRTQ-jV4SZiLZvHDeXKVh4qztsSHVPPdzYAejBPvavvxlyYTE72-DK1-6wQe0Xw$>

I think that collaboration is key, leaders of local governments would be eager to join forces (at least here, in Kingston!). There is a great love for the environment in the Hudson Valley, and quite difficult to find secure gainful employment in the area. I think that our proximity to New York City the abundance of brownfield sites, and the support from the community would make this area of particular interest to sow seeds.

New York has the power to be a leader by positively impacting climate goals, creating secure jobs, and supporting vital local economies while leading the way in innovation.

Thank you for your good work!

Sincerely,

Marysa Sacerdote

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**First Name:** Rachel

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**First Name:** Paula

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I am emailing you my comments versus using the form on your website, because I could not enter my comments adequately in the comment field.

As a citizen of New York State, I commend our legislature and Governor Hochul in passing legislation to address, climate change, especially the Build Public Renewables Act. However,
I am concerned that the current NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan, is not aggressive enough to significantly reduce our carbon emissions to halt climate change.

The NYPA's Strategic plan which includes 40 projects that will create 3.5 gigawatts of renewable energy by 2030 – enough energy to power nearly 3 million homes; is not enough to meet NYPA's responsibility to ensure that meet York State reaches 100% renewables by 2040.

NYS' Build Public Renewables Act allows NYPA to build an act projects with the stated purpose of meeting the states climate goals. This goal of 3.5 gigawatts proposed is in conflict with the Build Public Renewables Act.

With the incoming administration and their expressed desire to stop federally funded climate change activities of the current administration and increase fossil fuel production, makes it more critical for New York State to increase its commitment to an implementation of renewable energy at a scale that exceeds the current proposal by the NYPA. One that would provide 15 gigawatts of renewable energy by 2030. I urge you to expand the goal of the NYPA Renewables Strategic Plan, the future habitability of New York State and our planet depends on it.

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Good evening,

My name is Jacob Reed and I'm a local climate activist from Schenectady, NY. I'm writing to NYPA to express my views on the future on renewables in New York State. I appreciate NYPA working to build more renewables across the state since it's crucial to achieve 100% zero emission electricity to fight climate change. I am worried though about the path the state is taking to build renewables as there is a heavy emphasis on large scale solar farms. Public support for renewables is high but not when it comes to taking up land especially land that can be used for farming. In Glen, NY which is a small farming community there is major pushback against two solar projects that would produce 300MW. These projects are crucial for our climate agenda but we must respect people and land when considering these projects and that's why I'm hoping NYPA and the state and take a different route. We have thousands upon thousands of large scale parking lots in the state that can host solar projects. Working on getting solar car canopies installed on these parking lots can produce an enormous amount of energy all while saving land and boosting support for renewables. It appears this low hanging fruit isn't being picked by the state but if we are serious about climate change we need to build all the renewables we can. Not only should NYPA/state look at solar on parking lots but also nuclear as a reliable base load.

Thank you,
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Sent from my iPhone

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**First Name:** Janet

**Last Name:** Poppendieck

**Comments:** The Draft Plan proposed by NYPA appears to me to fall far short of both the urgent need for climate action and the extraordinary  opportunity created by the CLCPA and the and the BPRA.  Given the outcome of the recent election, we must rely on State

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**First Name:** Joseph

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**Comments:** It is imperative that the use of renewable energy sources be greatly, immediately expanded throughout New York State (as well as everywhere else in the world).

I respectfully request that NYPA assist in preventing climate disasters in the future b

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**First Name:** Katherine

**Last Name:** Silverman

**Comments:** I am am writing today to urge NYPA to prioritize the City University of New York for renewable energy projects in keeping with the requirements of the Build Public Renewables Act. At my campus, CCNY, the most palpable excitement and curiosity I've ev

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**First Name:** Laura

**Last Name:** Tanenbaum

**Comments:** I am writing to ask that NYPA commit to build 15 gigawatts of renewable energy by 2030, creating good union jobs for young people like those I work with daily at CUNY. We need a real commitment to decarbonize the buildings where we work and teach and

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**First Name:** Laurence

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**First Name:** Ross

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**First Name:** Whitney

**Last Name:** Lewis

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**First Name:** Annika

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**Comments:** I live along the Ausable River in the Adirondack mountains of New York State. My community and neighboring communities are facing increased risk of severe flooding due to increased rain events due to climate change. This is a constant, existential threat to our community. My journey with clean energy includes working for a geothermal and air-source heat pump installer here in the Adirondacks. The demand for this technology on a residential scale is so great, very few companies exist in my area to meet this demand, especially companies that are focused on replacing fossil fuel heating systems with whole home heat pump systems. More investment needs to be made to increase the number of installers who can do this work and to also make this type of clean heat more accessible to homeowners.

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**Submit Date:** 11/19/2024 10:29:00 AM

**First Name:** Bonnie

**Last Name:** Beckel

**Comments:** I live in Minnesota where so many of us are grieving over the changes that global warming has caused. I miss winter, the snow, the skiing, the frozen lakes, the renewal of our soil that the cold used to provide. We swelter in the new summer heat that endangers lives and seems out of control. I miss the moose that used to thrive in northern MN, but had to move north, searching for a climate they can live with. The tipping points we feared, of climate catastrophies out of control, are upon us. Hail the size of tangerines cost insurance companies and home and auto owners huge amounts of money. My insurance carrier decided to leave MN because of the outrageous costs of that one hail storm.

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**First Name:** Sam

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**First Name:** Natalie

**Last Name:** Marinides

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Thank you for your consideration.

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**First Name:** Sigmund

**Last Name:** Shen

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In an episode of Buck Rogers in the 25th Century, our hero is trapped in a spaceship sitting next to a space vampire, and escapes by tricking the demon to set course for the heart of the sun. The moment when the vampire realizes what he's done is a study in contrasts. In the time it takes Buck Rogers to undo his seatbelt, say seeya later and launch an escape pod back to our beautiful blue planet, the vampire throws an impotent tantrum, cowering in terror, hissing, and clawing at thin air in a hammy bit of B-movie overacting that my eleven year old would call cringe.

This performative overacting, coupled with the absurd refusal to do anything about the situation, remind me of Mr. Driscoll's plan to use up two more years aiming for just 3.5 gigawatts of renewable energy. The law's goal of 70% by 2030 would require that we secure 30,000 gigawatts in six years – almost ten times more installed renewable in only three times as many years.

Trump's election, the war chest of the fossil fuel industry, the climate crisis itself – all are real reason for terror, but even more so reason for action. And why wouldn't we take action, when we have the law on our side and New York State is the tenth largest GDP in the world? Holocaust historian Timothy Snyder says "Most of the power of authoritarianism is freely given. In times like these, individuals think ahead about what a more repressive government will want, and then offer themselves without being asked." Mr. Driscoll, it's not just your two year delay that is "freely given." It's our future. It's our students' future. It's my daughter's future. I hope you have a realistic plan to support the state's own climate laws and goals, because if you don't, we do not intend to sit by and cower in performative terror.

Sigmund Shen
Professor of English
LaGuardia Community College / CUNY

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**Submit Date:** 11/20/2024 12:00:00 AM

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**Last Name:** Saeugling

**Comments:** The plan for 3.5gW by 2030 is simply put not enough. We must build at least 15gW by then. Climate change is an existential crisis for humanity in which we see the effects everyday. We have to take bold action now. I attended the public hearing at Joh

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**First Name:** Brian

**Last Name:** Ochs

**Comments:** As a current graduate student and licensed professional engineer I believe additional funding should be made available which incentivizes studies and ultimately construction projects with an energy and sustainability component for the City College of

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**First Name:** Daniel

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**Comments:** 3.5 GWs of Energy is not enough. With a New York City population of 9 million and a State Population of 20 million, we ask for a 15GW goal by 2030. New York State is one of the nost populated states in the country and New York City is one of the grea

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**First Name:** Danny

**Last Name:** Kaplowitz

**Comments:** 3.5 GW is not enough. With a Trump admin coming in, climate change is going to accelerate to devestating effect. But good news: YOU ALL have the power to help save the world. If NYS leads on public renewables, you can transform the conversation acros

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**First Name:** Douglas

**Last Name:** Price

**Comments:** As Program Manager of the Center for Sustainable Cities at Hunter College I support research that points to the significant impacts climate change is having on New York TODAY, and the daunting challenge we face to decarbonize.  Hunter College has bee

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**First Name:** Jacob

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**Comments:** I am writing to urge NYPA to increase the planned capacity for renewables. There is a legal mandate for 70% renewable generation by 2030. The proposed plan is not enough to reach this, nor protect New York citizens and wildlife. Please consider incre

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**First Name:** Johnathan

**Last Name:** Thompson

**Comments:** As a graduate student in the Sustainability in the Urban Environment program and Environmental Health Professional, it is my duty to testify today. Renewable energy development is not just an option to consider but an absolute requirement, as it prov

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**First Name:** Nathan

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**First Name:** Nelly

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**First Name:** Rachel

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**First Name:** Raymond

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**Comments:** We need at least 15 Gigawatts for f publicly-owned renewable energy built here and by NYS! I have lived in homes here in New York where myself and others have had to pay exorbitant prices for energy utilities, all while the city and the state burns a

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**Comments:** Where can I find a link to the virtual hearing in NYC that starts at 10am today?

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**First Name:** William

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**First Name:** xenia

**Last Name:** williams

**Comments:** 18 Nov 2024 Statement for Environmental Justice regarding Climate Change Initiatives WRITTEN
Thank you for this opportunity. My name is xenia lynn teresa williams. I am a private citizen.
This is about the principles of Environmental Justice. Self

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**Comments:** I'm a graduate student in the Sustainability in City' College's Urban Environment program as well as a professional in the sustainability sector for over 10 years. NYPA, unlike National Grid, ConEdison, and PSE&G does not offer rebates to its utility

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NYPA Strategic Planning Committee,

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However, I would also like to submit a written version of my testimony, and I had trouble just now submitting my testimony to the site advertised in your communications. In my case, it didn't accept my full 250-word testimony, only accepting about half of it. (The rest was cut off.)

I did not in the end hit the "submit" button because I didn't want to submit a truncated version of my testimony.

I heard from several colleagues who experienced the same problem.

Addressing this problem--making sure the public can successfully submit testimonies, which is our main way of giving you feedback on your draft plan--is critical.

Please advise.

Many thanks.

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The following twenty-six Assembly members signed onto the letter: Alvarez, Burdick, Carroll, Clark, Davila, De Los Santos, Epstein, Gallagher, González-Rojas, Kelles, Kim, Levenberg, Mamdani, Mitaynes, Ramos, Reyes, Rosenthal, Sayegh, Shimsky, Shrestha, Simon, Simone, Souffrant Forrest, Stirpe, Tapia, and Thiele, Jr.

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Thank you,
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**Last Name:** Jackson

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**Last Name:** Ortiz

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I am writing to urge NYPA to increase the planned capacity for renewables to 15 GW. I support renewables, and a detailed plan for the rapid phaseout of peaker plants. I also suggest more collaboration with FDNY and NYC to reduce code compliance requirements for rooftop solar and micro-grid installations in NYC.

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Hello NYPA
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Thank you
Margaret Perkins, 350NYC.org

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We need this energy. We need these savings.

Best,
Amelie

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**Last Name:** Gallagher

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**First Name:** Sarah

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Hello,

My name is Sarah Druhan. I am having issues with the online public comment form for this plan, so am emailing you here.

As we approach the inauguration of President-Elect Trump, who plans to withdraw from the Paris Agreement, we also approach an extremely dangerous breaking point for our climate. Not just for New Yorkers, but for people all over the world.

We can no longer wait and make excuses so that large corporations can continue to make money off of our suffering, acting as if their desire for more money must be given the same consideration as the quality of our and our children’s lives. This is no time for cutting corners. Our earth cannot afford to wait for only 3.5 gigawatts of publicly owned renewable energy. Authorizing all 15 gigawatts of green power is necessary to provide a future with clean air and clean water to the next generation of children in New York.

I thank NYPA for its work done to improve this world for future generations. I am truly grateful, and I hope that these testimonies help to build realization that we can no longer act as if the world is not burning, because it is. Thank you for allowing me to testify today.

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The New York Power Authority is the literal power broker in determining how much effort is put into addressing climate change right here in NY which is the home to the United Nations Headquarters. Former Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt started New York Power Authority to transition us into using hydroelectric plants. It's time to continue this vision in using clean and renewable energy. FDR also introduced the New Deal to help our economy after the great depression.

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**Comments:** Hello, I tried to give a public testimony. My testimony is similar to what was sent above with some additional comments. You can skip the above letter and read the one below with my full testimony.

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**First Name:** William

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**Comments:** Thank you organizers.  My name is Bill Haddican.  I work at Queens College-CUNY, and I'm going to speak to a kind of project that might be supported in a more ambitious strategic plan by NYPA--and one very much in NYPA's portfolio--as the speaker earlier pointed out, but is not in the current draft.

This past September, a group of staff, students and faculty at Queens College organized a town hall to discuss issues of sustainability and decarbonization.  What emerged from that discussion are two main themes.  First, the college community strongly supports transitioning the College's energy sourcing to renewables as fast as possible for the future of the planet and for the health and safety of our students, workers and surrounding community members.  A second main sentiment expressed was frustration that leaders aren't stepping up to make this happen.  NYPA is authorized and directed under the BPRA to bring renewably-sourced energy to public institutions like Queens College--Queens College is very much in NYPA's portfolio, as the speaker earlier pointed---and we ask NYPA to invest sufficiently to decarbonize Queens College and its sister facilities fully, and in the short term.  Queens College is a large, 80-acre campus, with a suitable footprint for extensive geothermal systems and solar installations, including large parking lots.  There's no excuse for this kind of investment not having been made ten years ago. The campus and the surrounding working class communities are desperate for exactly this kind of support.  Finally, I urge NYPA to consider that today's young people, today's students, the kinds of bright young minds that we serve and that we aim to attract to our educational systems expect their institutions to be leaders on sustainability.  In terms of renewable energy transitioning, CUNY is decades behind not just is private competitors but also other competing public systems.  Queens College looks like an instituiton that doesn't realize there's a climate crisis.  NYPA needs to understand that  failing to adequately support CUNYs sustainabiliy goals has crippling effects on many aspects of College's functioning including in recruitment and retention of students and staff.

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Thank you organizers.  My name is Bill Haddican.  I work at Queens College-CUNY, and I'm going to speak to a kind of project that might be supported in a more ambitious strategic plan by NYPA--and one very much in NYPA's portfolio, as the speaker earlier pointed out—but not in the current draft.

This past September, a group of staff, students and faculty at Queens College organized a town hall to discuss issues of sustainability and decarbonization.  What emerged from that discussion are two main themes.  First, the college community strongly supports transitioning the College's energy sourcing to renewables as fast as possible for the future of the planet and for the health and safety of our students, workers and surrounding community members.  A second main sentiment expressed was frustration that leaders aren't stepping up to make this happen.  NYPA is authorized and directed under the BPRA to bring renewably-sourced energy to public institutions like Queens College--Queens College is very much in NYPA's portfolio, as the speaker earlier pointed---and we ask NYPA to invest sufficiently to decarbonize Queens College and its sister facilities fully, and in the short term.  Queens College is a large, 80-acre campus, with a suitable footprint for extensive geothermal systems and solar installations, including large parking lots.  There's no excuse for this kind of investment not having been made ten years ago. The campus and the surrounding working class communities are desperate for exactly this kind of support.  Finally, I urge NYPA to consider that today's young people, today's students, the kinds of bright young minds that we serve and that we aim to attract to our educational systems expect their institutions to be leaders on sustainability.  In terms of renewable energy transitioning, CUNY is decades behind not just is private competitors but also other competing public systems.  Queens College *looks like* an institution that doesn't realize there's a climate crisis.  NYPA needs to understand that  failing to adequately support CUNYs sustainability goals has crippling effects on many aspects of College's functioning including in recruitment and retention of students and staff.

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**Comments:** Governor Hochul MUST comply with the Build Public Renewables act and work to build 15gw of power and create 25,000 good jobs in the process.

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**First Name:** Aastha

**Last Name:** Uprety

**Comments:** I urge NYPA to revise the strategic plan to shut down disastrous peaker plants and to build out 15 GW of renewable energy by 2030. We have a severe climate crisis to manage, and 3.5 GW neither meets the moment nor complies with the CLPCA's stated goa

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**First Name:** Daniel

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**Comments:** We need Justin Driscoll to do the right thing and lead NYPA in building at least 15 GW of renewable energy projects (5 GW of which are needed to serve New York City and the Hudson Valley Area). Governor Hochul must prioritize a climate agenda. Instea

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**Last Name:** Hovey

**Comments:** Such a disappointment to use your website to submit testimony.

I assumed that it would be possible to submit a file.  Instead there is a mere text box.

When I copied in my remarks, which were delivered in 3 minutes, the 12 paragraphs  were cut

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**Last Name:** Welchman

**Comments:** NYPA's October Draft plan falls short of NY States CLCPA law.  NYPA needs to develop strong affirmative plans the meet the mandated goals.  According to NYPA's own report, NY State is currently on track for 44% renewable electricity by 2030 versus th

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**Comments:** NYCHA needs to go back to the drawing board and create a more robust plan that helps NY State meet mandated CLCPA law.  NYPA has acknowledged that we are on track to produce only 44% by 2030, which is far short of the 70% mandated by law.

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**Last Name:** Tipaldo

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**First Name:** Justin

**Last Name:** Scott

**Comments:** Will there be trade assignments in PLA language for us to review?

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**First Name:** Karren

**Last Name:** Bee Donohoe

**Comments:** Please provide a link to this evenings Virtual Hearing. I am not interested in speaking just listening.

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**First Name:** Matthew

**Last Name:** Doron

**Comments:** Often we talk about renewable energy in terms of cars and other more visible uses of fossil fuels, but institutions such as universities are important targets for renewable energy efforts and the NY Power Authority must help decarbonize John Jay Coll

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**Last Name:** Bruckenthal

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**Last Name:** Dunne

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I’m Elizabeth Hovey, I am a co-chair of the John Jay chapter of the Professional Staff Congress (PSC), and I extended a belated welcome.

An adjunct in the History Department, I was privileged to be able to be able to testify today. Most adjuncts are so swamped by the demands of teaching at multiple institutions to try to make ends meet that they cannot make time for advocacy. Most are probably aware of New York State’s legislative achievements toward climate resiliency. They have no idea that only 20% of what one could reasonably expect is being planned.

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As a historian, I can tell you as an expert, that time passes. Everyone who is supposed to reading this testimony is a leader. Many, many leaders have come to regret that they did not act more boldly for the greater good. Avoid that fate. I want the future for you (and for the rest of us) of you knowing that you did what really needed to be done. Find a way that 15 GW of renewable energy will be generated in New York State.

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A woman in her 20s visited me last Wednesday, the day after the election, very upset. She literally burst into tears while saying the words, “What about climate change? This was our last big chance. I don’t think that I can have a child in this situation!” We hear appeals for the next generation, but I need you to understand that the grandchildren that people speak of may not have a chance to exist.

The New York Power Authority is the single institution in a position to give people hope. Do not squander it. Apply your precious bond rating, that you have so protected and so nurtured, to do what it is there for – plan for and meet the long term needs of the people who paid to bring it into existence.

The BPRA dictates that you need to meet the expected needs with renewable energy.  I am not hearing enough about geothermal.  We do not have be in Iceland to use it.  It is clean.  To meet the demand that NYS be 100% carbon free in its energy consumption, nuclear power has to be considered also.  I understand France decarbonized its energy usage without even trying because it has nuclear power.

In the session read aloud excerpts from testimony of students who could not attend.  I expect they will submit these themselves.  The parts in green were what I intended to read aloud, but I had to curtail them to fit within 3 minutes.

Kristina Vargas, a John Jay student of Environmental Justice writes:

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Climate change has taken its toll on our air, architecture, and overall structure of the buildings. NYC is suffering from a drought and we have not had consistent rainfall since the end of September. The time is now— by rallying behind students, you can give a chance to enjoy college experience, seeing an upgrade to the city.  Start with cutting down fossil fuel emissions. With over 20 schools and 300 plus buildings, CUNY burns around 8.58 Kilograms of carbon dioxide per square foot (Inside Climate News) Yikes.”

Student Nicholas Salerno, also at John Jay, gave me his remarks.

“Even though I grew up in the city, I was blessed enough to be able to consistently go to the beach every summer that I have been here. The beaches that I usually attend are located in Rockaway and in Breezy point, and for the most part they have been relatively clean. One thing that I have noticed in the past few years is the distance between the water and the shore has significantly changed due to storm surges, wind, and most importantly rising sea level. The rising sea level has diminished the population of important native plants and vegetation that grow in the sand dunes near the water, as well as diminished the population of the protected small bird, the piping plover.

Ultimately, we need to realize that climate change and rising sea levels are real problems that government officials and large corporations cannot ignore. We see all over this country, and particularly in New York, just how many large trucks are burning fossil fuels in order to satisfy the needs of large corporations, which in turn is polluting our precious city air. Itis time that legislation and the necessities of New Yorkers are in line, because this is not just a small issue at hand, this is a global health issue that affects millions even outside of America."

CUNY and SUNY programs need to collaboratively work in order to push these global health regulations forward. Students of both institutions have qualitative and important research that highlight the exact problems that the city is facing, as well as detailed plans in order to try to reverse what is going on. There are too many young and bright minds living in this city to allow it to go to waste and garbage, so let's work together so we can keep New York as the best city in the world for the next generation.”

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Everybody cares about what you do, if they care about the future at all.

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Please see below for my testimony. Thanks so much for your time and attention regarding this manner.

Best,
Jenna Tipaldo (she/her)

Hello. Thank you for your time and your service to New York State. I am testifying as an individual - I am a PhD candidate at the CUNY Graduate School of Public Health studying environmental health and a PSC-CUNY member. I grew up in Rockaway, Queens and am a product of public schools. As a teenager, my home was flooded by Hurricane Sandy and I was displaced from my home and school for months. I watched my community struggle to recover, especially low income neighbors and communities of color, which eventually led me to study how environmental and climate change related hazards threaten health. Climate change is a massive threat to public health in many ways as noted by the New York State Climate Impacts Assessment and the NYC Panel on Climate Change's recent assessment, on which I was a fellow and coauthor, and timely action is needed to reduce emissions to reduce future impacts and meet the goals of the CLCPA. We need to expedite the transition to renewable energy while considering the impacts on communities and protecting workers. This decade, NYC has seen unprecedented rainfall and flash flooding, orange skies from wildfire smoke, and now drought sparking wildfires in our backyards, reversing some of the gains we've made with improving air quality. Still, peaker plants within the city pollute areas that NY state designated as disadvantaged communities and make it hard for people with asthma, like myself, to breathe - please add a detailed plan for shutting down NYPA's peaker plants by 2030 as required by law. I also teach at CUNY Hunter College and did my undergraduate degree there. CUNY buildings are crumbling and need basic upgrades as well as more sophisticated retrofits to make them more energy efficient, more comfortable temperature-wise, and free of mold, which is hazardous to health. My classroom doesn't have any ventilation and had a gas leak a few weeks ago and I've seen Hunter College put buckets in the hallway to catch roof leaks. Please plan to build more renewable energy capacity 15 GW of renewables by 2030, include NYC in your plan, and decarbonize our public schools CUNY and SUNY! We support you. Thank you for your efforts thus far and for your time and consideration of these comments tonight.

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**Comments:** Thank you for the opportunity to submit a comment.
As we are in a critical moment of intensifying climate disasters and setbacks at the federal level, it is imperative that states like New York lead the way on climate change mitigation. Thankfully, New Yorkers passed the BPRA to empower NYPA to build the publics renewable energy infrastructure we desperately need.
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I would like to focus my testimony on the tremendous opportunity public lands offer New York State. Public lands are among our most valuable and versatile resources for advancing climate action, and NYPA should prioritize their use in a more ambitious plan to achieve at least 15 GW of renewable energy by 2030.

Public lands can support multi-functional landscapes that go beyond merely energy production. Renewable projects in partnership with public agencies can strengthen NYPA's relationships with existing customers, be co-designed with recreational and green spaces as demonstrated at NYPA's existing hydro-electric facilities, remediate contaminated lands, lower electricity costs for disadvantaged communities, and create good green jobs.

As others have noted, SUNY and CUNY campuses are low-hanging fruit. With 64 SUNY and 25 CUNY campuses spread across the state, their combined land area of over 43,000 acres”equivalent to two Manhattans”presents an enormous opportunity. Parking lots alone account for about 15% of this area, or roughly 6,500 acres. Considering an average of 0.25 MW generated per 1 acre, solar canopies over these parking lots could generate up to 1.5 GW of energy. This number doesn™t even account for rooftop installations, surrounding greenfields, or building retrofits with geothermal systems, all of which could further enhance energy generation and efficiency in historic public institutions that have long suffered from underinvestment.

SUNY and CUNY not only serve many first generation students from disadvantaged communities, the majority (58 out of 87) of campuses are situated directly or within a 1-mile radius of disadvantaged communities, as classified by the NY State Climate Justice Working group. Siting renewable energy projects on these campuses would directly benefit these populations while meeting legal mandates in both the BPRA and CLCPA.

Another critical pathway is converting state-owned brownfields, inactive mines, and landfills into renewable energy hubs. These lands total over 144,000 acres. Utilizing just 10% for solar could generate 3.6 GW of energy”doubling NYPA's current proposed capacity.

Brownfields are particularly well-suited for renewable energy projects due to their existing road access and proximity to transmission lines. The NYSERDA 12-MW Benson Mines Solar Project on a former iron-ore tailings pile is a proven example of how these sites can be successfully repurposed for clean energy, receiving considerably more support and less backlash than utility scale projects on agricultural or ecologically sensitive land.

Together, CUNY and SUNY campuses and brownfields alone could generate at minimum 5.1 GW of solar energy, moving us further to the 15 GW goal. Beyond these, there are an array of other public lands that should be explored - schools and NYCHA properties, closed prisons (there are currently 10 in NY State), MTA train depots, vacant malls and commercial buildings now on State and municipal owned land.

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**Comments:** Hello,

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**Comments:** Governor,

I've already sent you the 'stock' letter via actionnetwork.org on this topic, but need to share more. I don't feel like I should have to say this, but we're at the most critical time in history to prevent massive loss of habitat, wildlife, and human life. We've been in a massive extinction event for decades now, and yet we're still trending in the wrong direction. To call this an inflection point would be a mistake; inflection is a reversal of a trend. We're speeding at a brick wall at 60mph, the wall is 10 feet away, and our foot is STILL on the gas.

I'm 30 years old and I've known about climate change and the need for radical action for my entire life, and yet meaningful action has been few and far between. For this reason alone I've concluded that I'm not allowed to have children of my own. We desperately need as much renewable energy as possible worldwide and to rapidly phase out fossil fuels to have any hope for anyone's children -- but even for ourselves.

This year we've seen multiple forest fires in NY state (in NOVEMBER), we're experiencing a drought for the first time in 20 years, and we can see worsening and more frequent storms causing catastrophe not far from us. It's not 2030, it's not 2040; it's 2024, and we have forest fires in New York. Western NY has been considered a 'climate haven' in the past. The same was said for Asheville, NC. In the past 18 months we've seen average temperatures at 1.5°C over pre-industrial averages. It's not 2030, 2040; it's 2024. It has been BAD, and it's way ahead of schedule because the only predictions of climate change impact timelines allowed in the mainstream have been the most conservative estimates. Let me remind you that even if emissions were stopped today, the planet would continue to warm for a significant period of time. In other words, it's about to get much, much worse.

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Rising to this moment is not optional. The climate is reaching tipping points already, and more and more people will be reaching their breaking points. Whatever you do in this moment will be your eternal legacy

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Thank you for your time! I look forward to seeing a plan that takes these issues into account.

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**First Name:** Emile

**Last Name:** Bensedrine

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My name is Emile Bensedrine and I am a voter currently in New York City who has also lived in Buffalo and Ithaca. I have worked in building climate resilient infrastructure in the private sector and city government to ensure our neighborhoods stay dry and safe during storms and from sea level rise. I endorse the below message and believe the state must do more to build public renewables so we can meet our climate goals. As we face unprecedented hurricanes and climate devastation across the globe, New York State is falling far behind on our climate goals mandated by the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act of 2019. To solve this problem, New Yorkers passed the Build Public Renewables Act, which directs the New York Power Authority to build enough public renewables to ensure that we meet the CLCPA targets of 70% renewable electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040. NYPA's draft strategic plan for renewables is unacceptable as it proposes to build only 3.5 GW “ nowhere near the capacity needed to meet CLCPA goals. Moreover, by NYPA's own admission, it is likely that the majority of these projects will never get built.

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The following comments are my personal opinion.

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First, the radioactive waste that nuclear power plants produce will poison New Yorkers for generations. Radioactive waste is highly carcinogenic and some of it persists in the environment for thousands of years. The federal nuclear regulatory commission (NRC) has set a risk tolerance for cancer caused by radioactive waste at one in 500 people - which is unacceptable from a public health prospective. In contrast, the standard for cancer risk for other chemicals is one in 1,000,000. The NRC takes the position that its one in 500 standard preempts State regulation.

Second, the federal government has failed in its obligation to take the waste from nuclear reactors and nobody wants it stored in their communities. Communities that have nuclear reactors are stuck with the toxic waste in perpetuity.

Third, nuclear power plants are extremely expensive. Usually, plant owners get taxpayer subsidies to build them because they are so expensive. Often the plant owners have to be bailed out by ratepayers when it comes time to decommission (stop operating) them. Nuclear reactors have not proven to be profitable. For example, the Indian Point reactors were closed down because their owner, Entergy, was losing money on them. Holtec International bought them for the purpose of decommissioning them and cleaning the site. However, Holtec is now spending money in the 2.3 billion dollar rate-payer decomissioning trust funds for spent fuel management under a waiver from the NRC. In my opinion, it is questionable whether Holtec will have enough money to complete the cleanup at Indian Point because it is spending so much money on managing nuclear waste. I can foresee a taxpayer bailout.

Fourth, money would be much better spent on subsidies for renewable energy. In addition to large scale projects, NY could support more robust subsidies for home owners and small landlords who invest in solar, geothermal, heat pumps and wind power. The business of installing these green technologies will be fantastic for promoting jobs.

Lastly, I believe the record floods that we all are experiencing have the potential to cause a major nuclear disaster. If a nuclear reactor or waste storage site floods, radioactive waste could poison us. Once it is in our air and water, we don't know how to remove it.

In sum, nuclear energy is not a good alternative to renewable energy. It only looks good if you ignore the health effects of nuclear waste and the enormous costs associated with nuclear power.

Kind Regards,

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**First Name:** Manna

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Ulster County 70x30 Renewable Energy Implementation Plan Working Group: In addition to developing a draft Renewable Energy Implementation Plan, a major focus of the Ulster County 70 by 30 Renewable Energy Working Group and the Mid-Hudson Renewable Energy Working Group, has been to work with municipalities in the region to learn to use the Scenic Hudson Solar Mapping Tool to ensure wisely sited renewable energy projects are actively implemented in their communities – siting that identifies opportunity areas, as well as areas that need to be protected and avoided. To date, we have trained more than 150 participants from more than 50 municipalities in the Mid-Hudson region. These include members of Planning Boards, Town Boards, Environmental Commissions, Climate Smart Task Forces and interested others and have resulted in proactive planning and improved solar zoning in, for example, the Town of Cortlandt. The mapping tool includes a layer that identifies hosting capacity, and we have found that that is a major obstacle to siting otherwise viable projects

Major Recommendation: Ease the interconnection roadblocks for distributed solar by coordinating and proactively developing distribution interconnection improvements on distribution feeders that have a large number of projects which have been withdrawn after paying for a CESIR study, as well as on feeders identified by local governments as having several prospective locations for megawatt scale distributed solar. Working with local municipalities, the UC REIP Working Group has found that insufficient hosting capacity is the major obstacle to project implementation. NYPA should be working directly with the municipalities and the utilities to address grid upgrades that will coincide with municipal planning for renewables, especially those being developed by local and county governments and public school districts. We will submit details on actual projects under separate cover.

The New York State Climate Action Council Scoping Plan recommended developing a similar tool for all of New York State.

"Development Mapping: The State should develop a Clean Energy Development Mapping tool to help municipal representatives and local communities make informed land use decisions and communicate local wants to developers." Is this underway? Resources to help municipalities to use the tool should be budgeted for and provided in 2025 and beyond.

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Distributed geothermal systems and thermal energy networks are an essential strategy for NYPA to reach its renewable energy goals. These systems would also reduce transmission congestion.

Battery-powered Microgrids should be implemented for Emergency facilities to ensure reliability and help balance loads.

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Respectfully submitted,

Manna Jo Greene, Ulster County Legislator, District 19

Energy, Environment and Sustainability, Climate Smart, Recycling Oversight and UCRRA Reform Committees

[On my own behalf: Real climate solutions are NOT radioactive!  No new nuclear facilities in NY and retire those aging in Western NY as scheduled.]

**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Ulster_County_Renewable_Energy_Implementation_Plan_Working_Group_comments/UC_REIP_Working_Group_Comments.pdf

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**Comments:** Dear Governor Hochul,

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As an urban planner who is planning on joining the public sector to implement New York State's climate laws, I know that the State's role will be generative as the federal government's is regressive. We must not let fear and cowardice take over our potential to provide discounted utility bills and create thousands of unionized green sector jobs.

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**First Name:** nypragmaticenvironmentalist

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I will submit detailed written comments later.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Roger Caiazza

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**First Name:** John

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**Comments:** Don™t be a climate denier! Take the Republican off the board! Don™t turn a blind eye to worsening the reality we live in now! Protect your future! Protect your kids™ futures! Your grandkids! Or the people you serve! AHHHHHHHHHHHH!

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**First Name:** Wil

**Last Name:** Kitcher

**Comments:** _____

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Good day,

My name is Wil and I’m a 38-year-old adult learner in Urban Sustainability at Brooklyn College. Thank you for allowing me to make comments today.

I’m here to share a letter I received from the future from a Brooklyn College student in 2050, who asked me to read it to you.

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Dear NY Power Authority of 2024,

Greetings from 2050, where Brooklyn College stands as a transformed beacon of sustainability and climate justice. Thanks to you heeding the warning of Public Power NY Coalition, The CUNY PSC, and student organizations like TREEage, and other advocates New York exceeded its renewable energy goals, by exceeding 15 GW by 2030 and transforming public institutions like ours into models of decarbonization and equity. NYPA's investments of efforts time, energy, and resources to decarbonize not only Brooklyn College, but all CUNY campuses was instrumental in kickstarting this transformation. So, I wanted to send this letter back in time to issue a thank you for this investment, so my generation can thrive.

Today, Brooklyn College generates more energy than it uses, powered by rooftop solar arrays, 10 geothermal wells, and passive wind energy generated from the neighboring IBX Train lane. These projects, alongside statewide investments in renewables, ended reliance on Peaker plants by 2030, bringing cleaner air to disadvantaged communities once burdened by pollution.

Our campus is a living example of what's possible. Energy-efficient retrofits and distributed resources ensure every building is healthy, clean, and powered sustainably. We're also giving back—excess energy supports our Flatbush neighbors, reducing their utility costs and improving air quality. Labor unions played a critical role, creating thousands of green union jobs during the transition. Programs here at CUNY trained workers in solar, wind, and energy storage, revitalizing the workforce and ensuring no one was left behind.

One of the greatest triumphs has been in waste reduction. Composting and anaerobic digesters have replaced traditional landfill methods, transforming organic waste into nutrient-rich soil and biogas. Our food waste, along with landscaping and garden waste, is processed on-site, not only minimizing waste but also powering parts of the campus. These digesters provide clean energy while reducing our environmental footprint, creating a closed-loop system that embodies sustainability.

Our campus also serves as a model for local communities, encouraging zero-waste initiatives and demonstrating how waste can be an asset rather than a burden. From classrooms to dining halls, everything is carefully managed to reduce waste, recycling, and composting to create a circular economy that benefits everyone.

You faced immense challenges, from worsening hurricanes to political resistance, but your determination reshaped our future. Brooklyn College is now a thriving hub of innovation and hope, a testament to what happens when public institutions lead the charge toward sustainability.

Thank you for building this better world. I hope you make the right decisions and i'll be able to see it.

With gratitude from a future that relies on you,

Student of 2050

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Thank you so much for allowing me to read this letter from the future. Please build at least 15 GW of Renewables, phase out peaker plants, and fully decarbonize our public schools & Cuny Campuses. Provide green union jobs so we can manifest this just transition.

That concludes my remarks.

Thank you so much for allowing me to submit this. If you have any questions please reply all.

Wil Kitcher

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**Last Name:** Panagotopulos

**Comments:** _____

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Hello,

I would like to thank NYPA for the work they have done thus far on transitioning to renewable energy. I would like to voice my opinion that NYPA should revise the draft strategic plan's goal of 3.5gw to 15gw by 2030. The climate crisis is real and visceral, as we now see frequent and impactful events that are disrupting life as I have known it for the last 41 years. It feels to me like an intense wartime effort is needed to combat this catastrophic crisis, but it is being treated as any other bureaucratic matter on the docket.

Thank you,
Rory Panagotopulos

Queens County Resident

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**Submit Date:** 11/21/2024 11:56:36 AM

**First Name:** Joanna

**Last Name:** Oltman Smith

**Comments:** _____

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Testimony re NYPA Renewables Plan

My name is Joanna Oltman Smith. I'm a Professional Citizen and Climate Activist. I'm aware these public hearings on NYPA's plan on how you will fulfill your LEGALLY required construction of renewables to decarbonize our energy sector are just one check box on a long, bureaucratic list of check boxes that end up stalling urgent and meaningful action on our rapidly accelerating planetary climate breakdown, AND that my own personal testimony is but an infinitesimal part of that tiny, easy-to-ignore bureaucratic check box.

After a decade — hundreds and hundreds of citizen lobbying hours — working with, encouraging my Electeds to do the right and expedient thing for our climate, only to watch Kathy Hochul and her appointed head of NYPA crumble under oil and gas lobbyists and donors who push inaction and false solutions, watching these public servants REFUSE to take the necessary steps to meet our hard won climate law mandates — not goals! — MANDATES, and see how woefully behind they are, why show up to yet another hearing?

Because a few weekends ago, my college-age son came home to Brooklyn to play in a sports tournament on Randall's Island. It was my first time getting to watch him captain his scrappy little team from a small upstate school in a sport that brings him so much joy and to which he dedicates himself whole heartedly. First they triumphed over the first big team — Columbia. Then they fought their way to a victory over huge NYU!

But before they did, I had to watch my extremely fit boy start to run slower and slower until he removed himself from the field to take a break, and realize he needed to take his asthma medication. At which point I pulled up AirNow.gov <https://urldefense.com/v3/__http://AirNow.gov__;!!MQuuhw!yxXGpj8V7UT1ja3-3FY_xv8mm3LVKgKmo82BD9XCfvcxfxt0isNZAOiIpws8XwwmKaiQKEJbFwaldfN_VIkhJ1U$> on my phone discover the air quality on the island was over 100 because of Forest Fires in New York and New Jersey. Forest fires! In New York and New Jersey?!?!? And I watched my talented, beautiful kid unable to finish his long-dreamed of championship, slumped in a little camping chair on the sidelines, gasping for breath.

So, on this first rainy morning in months, I'm here, filled with a mother's rage on behalf of my child and the other 9 percent of New Yorkers who have asthma and the 9 percent who have cardiac disease and the 11 percent who have diabetes, and the 350 New Yorkers who die each year from heat-related illness, as well as the 3 in 4 low-income households who bear a high combined energy burden and must choose between staying warm in the winter and cool in the summer or buying enough food or clothing or medicine, and ALL those who are adversely impacted by extreme heat and poor air quality and Justin Driscoll's intentional hobbling of his dedicated and hard-working staff at NYPA and Governor Hochul's overall lack of leadership on Climate while she masquerades as co-chair of the US Climate Alliance to say NO MORE.

Our state leadership must FIND the capital. We are one of the richest states in the country with the largest GDP in the world. Stop subsidizing major corporations' energy usage. The current proposed 40 projects are entirely insufficient as well as unfairly distributed, especially shorting downstate residents of the jobs and benefits they bring. We must have the very carefully, expertly, transparently established mandate of 15 gigawatt hours of renewable energy built using PROVEN and available solutions — solar, wind, and hydro — and online in New York State within the mandated timeframe, and these projects must be equitably distributed based on the most vulnerable and impacted populations. This proposed plan won't get us where we need to be on time. I hope you will listen to an informed mother's words as much as you listen to the paid industry lobbyists who preceded me. Thank you.

Joanna Oltman Smith

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The Tube and the River Thames could heat Westminster landmarks - BBC News
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**First Name:** marjoriewiederhold

**Last Name:**

**Comments: _____**

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Lindsay – good afternoon and hope you are well.

Below is an email to your other team regarding our denial to speak for the morning session.

We are disappointed by the blatantly biased public comment process of the call, It was evident that mostly renewable energy supporters were permitted to speak, while those with opposing viewpoints were excluded. This cherry-picking of participants not only undermines the integrity of the process but also silences legitimate concerns from residents directly impacted by these projects.

Public forums should be impartial and provide equal opportunity for all voices to be heard. This staged and exclusionary approach is unacceptable and erodes public trust in NYPA's commitment to transparency and fairness.

I urge you to address this issue immediately and ensure that future public comment sessions uphold principles and allow for genuine participation.

Thank you

Marjorie W Monahan

Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2024 12:30 PM
Subject: FW: NYPA hearings and virtual hearings

NYPA Team – my colleagues and I were signed up to speak and were DENIED. This is an unacceptable tactic, suggesting online comment submission in lieu of making verbal public comment will not suffice.

Furthermore, it is grossly inequitable to prioritize “special” renewable supportive speakers over others, which clearly seemed to be the case.

Marjorie W Monahan

Virtual Hearing Zoom - Thursday, Nov. 21, 2024

Sign up to speak at the virtual hearing <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://nypa-gov.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fjnMCmeGQ8OO9FWs1hSSeA__;!!MQuuhw!yWGtn52dlPbLWrYa6MTxI1_3I4BqoXi0dldmJt-E1kQxHLwqUjklL7b-dN2Wx-R6CxRf09sNXz6JoPfTzPhUcEKpxSk-dbonsGX7dQ$>

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10 a.m. to noon and 6 to 8 p.m.

Long Island, Monday, Nov 25th
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Suffolk Community College, Brentwood

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**First Name:** Elizabeth

**Last Name:** Coffman-Mackey

**Comments:** My name is Elizabeth, and I moved to New York City as a climate refugee displaced by Hurricane Ida.

In 2021 I was a graduate student in New Orleans, aware and worried about climate change, but well-enough off as a middle-class white woman to not yet be impacted on a personal level. Then when Ida hit, I had to uproot my entire life.

I live in New York City now, and I'm proud to be a New Yorker. But I believe the buck must stop with us. New Yorkers passed the Build Public Renewables Act to meet the CLCPA targets of 70% renewable electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040. NYPA's draft strategic plan for renewables is unacceptable as it proposes to build only 3.5 GW “ nowhere near the capacity needed to meet CLCPA goals. Moreover, by NYPA's own admission, it is likely that the majority of these projects will never get built.

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Happy holidays,

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**Submit Date:** 11/21/2024 12:48:58 PM

**First Name:** Michael

**Last Name:** McQuade

**Comments:** _____

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Good afternoon

I took part in the 10 AM public hearing this morning which i felt was informative but two things I got out of it just like everything else dealing with the State is most of the input is from downstate as they are the ones that feel effected by the this. Well I reside in the north country 10 minutes from the border where all the land and power is being generated from for the down state residences even your public hearing show NYPA doesn't recognize the north country only other areas of the state

Thanks
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My job is to teach high schoolers about the climate crisis. On a global level, New York has the opportunity to lead the green revolution, and NYPA is supposed to be a big part of making that happen. With the currently plan of only developing 3.5 GW of green energy fails to meet the goals set in law by the CLCPA. It's time to expand NYPA's green energy projects, because with publicly owned renewables, a private utility with National Grid would not have the option to poison my family's neighborhood.

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**First Name:** Rivera,

**Last Name:** Joseph

**Comments:**

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Joe.

From: Rick Lewandowski
Date: Thursday, November 21, 2024 at 10:21AM
To: Unified Communications Team
Subject: [EXTERNAL]NYPA new renewable technologies

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Hello,

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**First Name:** Jilly

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Hi there,

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In addition to activism like this, I am doing my part by studying to be an urban planner so I can help this City that I love so much to cut its emissions and adapt for a future under climate change. I care too much about my fellow New Yorkers to do anything less. But if money is the only thing that speaks to you, then I urge you to think about the trillions of dollars we will have to spend to reactively deal with climate impacts if we don't act now. As an authority working in the public interest, NYPA leadership must think about the long term, and thinking that way makes it clear that 15 GW of renewable energy is a worthy investment.

Thank you,

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Attached is my comment (.rtf, .pdf) formats, and as is below:

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Some Comments on the NYPA “Plan”:

The 3.5 GW capacity deployment of renewable electricity generation is just way too wimpy, done very late (should have been stated at least a decade ago). But, better late than never, supposedly. A better approach would be 3.5 GW capacity deployed each year!

As of 2023/2024, NY State deployment (= NYSERDA subsidized via a regressive flat tax on electricity sales) of onshore wind has become even more pathetic than in previous years. Private industry, and especially commercial banks, have proven incapable of delivering the required rate of deployment (presumably it is not profitable enough to justify investments) in a timely and affordable (as in delivered electricity price) manner. Much of the reason for this high cost of renewable electricity project financing is a result of the “Casino Pricing” (NYISO LBMP) system, where the future price of electricity is unknown and unknowable. This effectively DOUBLES the cost of project financing by drastically increasing the probability of project default, because future revenues (MW-hrs delivered multiplied by the price ($/MH-hr)), which effectively doubles the COST to produce this electricity. This religious belief that an unknowable future electricity price is applicable for renewable electricity generation (primarily wind and PV) - where the actual cost to produce electricity is known and essentially fixed once financing is complete - is either insane or is designed to maximize pollution based generation profitability and minimize renewable electric generation deployment.

NYPA long term bond financing of commercially viable renewable projects - especially onshore wind - will deliver projects with about HALF of the cost (and needed electricity price) of identical projects privately developed under Casino Pricing systems. NO private developers can compete with that.

The 3.5 GW of capacity (= GWc) would result in between approximately 0.525 GWd (a GW delivered (= GWd) is 8766 GW-hr/yr) on a delivered basis (PV) to 1.4 GWd (onshore wind @ 40% efficiency) should be the amount deployed PER YEAR. NYPA has yet to show (other than do awesome Public Relations) that it understands the need for renewables in NY. After all, NY effectively has no commercially viable fossil fuel reserves, and importing these fuels exports money/employment/wealth while resulting in even more CO2 pollution.

NYPA should proceed with at least 10 GW of pumped hydro “grid level” electrical energy storage, distributed through the state (just need a hill of 800 ft next to a lake/large river and ~ 200 acres per project. Any battery storage systems should be based on sodium ion or flow battery systems - no lithium ion ones are needed (they are too dangerous and only last 7 to 15 years before they “short out”). Energy storage is net electricity consumption (it’s a Thermodynamic fact), so it is little wonder few wish to do this unless these can be very profitable, and that means expensive electricity.

Wind turbines (made in USA) deployed onshore in NY State need to be LOW WIND SPEED turbines with a power ratio of > 5 square meters of swept rotor area per kilowatt of generator capacity. NY does NOT have the wind resource that can use “fast wind speed turbines”. Wind towers need to be about 120 or more meters in height, and the use of “hybrid towers” (lower 60 meters are reinforced concrete, upper section being steel) or all concrete towers should be encouraged. This will also create job and business opportunities, as the transport of concrete tower sections long distances (from out of state) is very expensive, making local tower factories a better bargain. Many small towns/communities in upstate (north of NYPA headquarters in White Plains) could benefit from a partnering (as in 10% to 25% OWNERSHIP), as they can deliver public acceptance of these projects. Offshore wind should also continue to be deployed near NYC AND Lake Ontario/Erie - especially nearshore (< 3 miles from shore). But onshore

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Any PVs deployed by NYPA need to be made in the USA - not made by foreign based slave or pseudo-slave labor. Made in NY State would also be nice… A 1 GWc manufacturing facility (now “owned”/leased by Tesla) needs to be making PVs at that rate, and if getting rid of the fraudulent Tesla management (who lied in saying that they had a new silicon based PV technology) is required (in my opinion, a definite need), do so fast. PVs are MORE costly to deploy than onshore wind turbines when electricity storage//buffering is incorporated into the total project cost - though PVs do have a place in NY’s electrical generation mix - especially on a small scale (< 5 MW capacity) and onsite.

Another untapped source of electricity is “run of river” generation. A big project employing this would involve the Niagara River in Buffalo and downstream of Lewiston - should be > 200 MW delivered.

Finally, please do not fall for the con/delusion of SMR nukes. These are too expensive and just too darn dangerous, since the major requirement of nukes is “being lucky”, as one nuke “Oopsie” in NY State would poison large areas and large numbers of people. They also take too long to deploy. The combination of wind turbines and pumped hydro would be far less dangerous as well as less financially risky than nukes of any scale. BTW, the reason most new nukes are big (> 1 GWc) is economies of scale, and smaller nukes are the opposite of that. This new nuke scam (SMR’s) is a dangerous fantasy, and thoroughly unnecessary. And besides, just cleaning up West Valley (remember that place?) could easily cost another $10 billion, and given the 2024 election results, none of that will come from the US Govt. After all, who wants all that Sr90 and other rad-waste? Its a Rule of Holes thing - the best way to get out of a hole (nuke rad-waste) is to STOP DIGGING!

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**Last Name:** Mather

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To NYPA Leadership and Governor Hochul:

Thank you for accepting public comments. I am heartened that New Yorkers can petition our government on an issue as important as the climate crisis.

Years ago, I sold solar panels door-to-door across diverse New York City neighborhoods. This work taught me New Yorkers are both concerned about carbon emissions, and excited about renewable energy's environmental and savings benefits.

I am here because NYPA has a great opportunity to build, on its own, 15 gigawatts of renewable energy capacity. This is the amount needed to reach the mandate of 70% renewable power, in accordance with our state's Climate Leadership Act. This would also create union jobs, lower utility bills and end polluting plants.

I watched Mr. Driscoll's 2022 testimony to New York's legislature as interim NYPA CEO. There, he called climate change "one of the greatest threats of our time." We agree. He also testified: "The State is on track to exceed the 70x30 goals through the collective efforts of private and public partners." His testimony concluded, quote, "We do not believe

that NYPA's involvement as a developer of these projects is needed."

Two years later, NYPA's own report now states New York is not on track for 70% renewable electricity, but only 44%. Respectfully, Mr. Driscoll was simply proven wrong about what is needed to fix one of the greatest threats of our time. What's worse, as interim NYPA CEO, his mistaken faith in private developers guided you and NYPA to inaction. NYPA has had real power and chose to do nothing.

And now, after opposing the power created in the Build Public Renewables Act; after dragging its feet when it should have been creating union jobs; after keeping in place peaker plants that continue debilitating our citizens with asthma and other maladies; after refusing to make progress while this crisis worsened; all because of hand-waving at a problem we all saw, how is NYPA atoning for its mistake? With a quarter-measure, 3.5 gigawatts, far short of the 15 gigawatts needed. This is how to make up for being so drastically wrong about the scale and scope of this fight? I am heartened the current plan is a tacit acknowledgement of this mismanagement, but you atone for your mistakes by fulfilling your duties, not giving a little bit more.

Governor Hochul is also choosing to abdicate her power to build public renewables. One year after Mr. Driscoll's misinformed testimony, Governor Hochul's office said "he has the expertise to lead the nation's largest state-owned utility." Bleakly, she has attempted appointing Justin Driscoll as NYPA CEO. Speakers have organized for years for New York's clean energy laws. Her actions here disregard the will of New Yorkers, who elected Democrats to state majorities for these reforms. Consequently, we are threatened with pollution, higher bills and ultimately a destabilized climate. NYPA was created in 1931 by New York's then-Governor, Franklin Delano Roosevelt; it's a sad irony that our current governor and her hand-picked NYPA head refuses to envision FDR's ambitious public works projects. If Governor Hochul aspires to improve her favorability ratings out of the 30s—a Siena poll shows New Yorkers rate Donald Trump more favorably—she has to lead on protecting the climate.

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**First Name:** Arturo

**Last Name:** Enamorado III

**Comments:** My name is Arturo H. Enamorado III, I am a native New Yorker, born and raised in Jamaica Queens. I am blessed to know teach in my city at Kingsborough Community College. What I have seen with the threat of climate change, and the health consequences brought on by dirty emissions and lack of renewable energy is putting the most vulnerable New Yorkers worse off. My Grandmother came to this country in 1973 from Honduras, working as a union janitor for 40 years before retiring. we also lived next to a bus terminal, as she lays on her deathbed she is struggling to breathe and requires oxygen. Being on the road that buses every few minutes ride past as she always kept her window open for fresh air I know played a factor. At Kingsborough as I walk to my classes to teach the next generation I see the water stains of Superstorm Sandy still present. As it rains from the inside of the atrium when the rains come. We are on the water and with raising tides I come to ask why New York is lagging behind on the most basic of commitments to clean energy and public renewable ownership.We need 15 gigawatts of public renewable energy. We need to stop this abdication of responsibility. When my students expect me to be present and ready to teach I do not ignore that responsibility to them. New York State is a union state, building more clean renewable public owned power engines will create more sustainable green unionized jobs. Now is the time to act.

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I oppose NYPAs current energy plan.
NYPA should be doing what they've done in the past, with success, working with reliable energy projects like hydropower and nuclear for all NYS ratepayers. Because wind and solar energy are intermittent, we will still need fossil fuel plants. Under NYS definition, Hydropower is renewable, why isn't there ANY hydropower listed in NYPA's future projects? We need a diverse affordable portfolio of reliable energy, that is not experimental, does not remove local municipality input and home rule like we witnessed with the Governor's Rapid Act. Offshore wind, solar and battery storage are at risk to weather elements just like our current electricity but far worse.
The self-imposed mandates, not goals of green energy by NYS are in danger of creating an unstable grid.

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**First Name:** Kelly

**Last Name:** Chezum

**Comments:** _____

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**First Name:** Dan

**Last Name:** Wilson

**Comments:** I'm a NYC resident and face unfairly high energy bills in my rented apartment; I have had to deal with unhealthy air quality in the city as wildfires become more frequent (as we've seen very close to home this year in NY and NJ); and I have friends all over the country who have had to deal with worse droughts, hurricanes, and other disasters worsened by climate change.

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**Comments:** I want to start by saying I was at one of the John Jay public hearings, and I appreciated learning more about all the hard work NYPA's staff has already done on this mammoth project. That said, I must maintain that climate change is a problem that demands 110% of our ingenuity, along with a bedrock shift in priorities. It's hard to communicate the depth of my dejection at the current state of the climate crisis - so I'll spare you an attempt. The facts speak for themselves, and are ever more harrowing. World hunger, previously on the decline, has increased since 2015, in part due to adverse farming conditions like drought and flooding. Also, within the last several years, the

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I am especially interested in seeing distributed solar ramp up in NYC. The city urgently needs reliable non-polluting energy, especially for the many low-income residents already struggling with higher electricity bills, and brownouts. Due to the state's track record of success with distributed solar, this seems like an easy win. Also, NYPA's energy discounts to giant multinationals like Citibank, Amazon, and Lockheed Martin should be reckoned with when considering what is financially possible. Much of the difficulty around the energy transition is quiet subsidies like these, that prop up business as usual. As this century wears on, business as usual is not going to be a viable option, no matter what we do. I urge NYPA to eat the frog “ do the difficult, ambitious thing and craft a plan for 15 gigawatts of generation, as mandated.

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Bob Welte
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My name is Emily Schnee and I am a professor at Kingsborough Community College, CUNY.

I am writing to urge NYPA to dramatically increase its proposal to build 15 GW of renewable energy instead of the 3.5 GW in its proposed plan. This is crucial because:

*NYS will not meet its NY State Climate Law target of 70% renewable energy in the grid by 2030 without a much larger expansion of public renewable energy.

*Most New Yorkers, including myself, have already experienced floods because of the failure to curb fossil fuel consumption.

*NYPA's plan has too few projects in NYC where there is the largest demand so NYPA's renewable energy projects.

*CUNY campuses have very old, polluting buildings. NYPA needs to include renewable energy on more CUNY sites to improve the air quality for students, faculty, staff and the communities surrounding the campus.

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Best,

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Brooklyn NY

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**First Name:** Kelly

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Thank you!

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*The strong labor standards in the Build Public Renewables Act can create thousands of good paying jobs for New Yorkers if NYPA acts more boldly to ensure NYS meets its 2030 and 2040 targets.

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**Comments:** I want to urge the NYPA to prioritize the City University of New York for renewable energy projects in keeping with the requirements of the Build Public Renewables Act.(1)
Over the last several years, declining investment both in CUNY's operating and capital budgets has resulted in severe deterioration of many campus buildings and infrastructure. This is evident in City Tech's persistent mold and ventilation issues.
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1.New York State Senate. Senate Bill S6453C, https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2023/S4134
2.New York State Comptroller. Renewable Electricity in New York State: Review and Prospects, August 2023. https://www.osc.ny.gov/files/reports/pdf/renewable-electricity-in-nys.pdf
3.U.S. Department of the Treasury, IRS Release Additional Guidance to Boost American Clean Energy Manufacturing. May 16, 2024, https://home.treasury.gov/news/press-releases/jy2344.

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**Last Name:** Bramhall

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Thank you,

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**Comments:** New York State has not made meaningful progress towards CLCPA goals. This is well documented in credible public agency reports. The State's irrational pursuit of excessive wind and solar energy generation has led to disastrous environmental consequences, public unrest, and only increased its reliance on fossil fuels. Continued investment in wind and solar to the exclusion of reliable baseload, load-following and dispatchable low-carbon sources (such as nuclear, hydropower, geo-thermal) will not change this trend. An all renewables electrical grid is inherently unstable, cannot provide reliable power and will substantially increase the cost of power for both taxpayers and ratepayers.

These recent reports also show that the CLCPA goals are aspirational goals and policy objectives rather than legal mandates. The state Public Service Commission has not started to address all current and emerging issues that could significantly increase electricity demand and lower projected generation.  A Scoping Plan to achieve the CLCPA goals has been developed, but no credible fiscal or engineering analysis was ever presented to support the plan. No cost/benefit analysis was performed, and none is planned. As discussed below, the structural obstacles to achieving the CLCPA goals principally with renewable energy cannot be overcome, and they mean that continued efforts to achieve those goals will progressively damage the grid and make energy unaffordable, with potentially existential consequences for some.

Developing nuclear power is substantially less expensive than developing wind and solar power. Renewables require large system costs to reliably serve electricity demand (including DEFR). This requirement flows directly from renewables™ unreliability. Nuclear power does not require such system costs. This makes nuclear power less expensive than using wind, solar, battery storage, gas-fired backup power, and substantial transmission upgrades. In addition, nuclear does not require load balancing using battery or alternative emissions-free technologies. When the fact that renewables last only 30 years and must be repowered one or more times during that period, while nuclear reactors are permitted for 40 years and can be renewed for another 40 years, the cost difference between renewables and nuclear widens even further. While the upfront capital costs of a nuclear plant are high, once the capital costs are paid, the only costs are fuel and operating expenses. As a result, nuclear provides reliable service at a substantially lower cost than wind, solar, and battery storage.

Nuclear plants™ small footprint, compared to large scale renewables, has a far less damaging effect on the State's natural resources and environment. One only need consider the impact of a single blade failure in Nantucket, to understand the significant adverse impacts that such projects can have on the environment.

Sane Energy deplores "environmental degradation driven by corporate greed" by multinational corporations when it is actually promoting environmental degradation and corporate greed by multinational corporations. Wind and solar will never free us from fossil fuels.  Nuclear is the only way forward.

There are compelling reasons to undertake feasible programs to decarbonize New York. Intensive oil and gas drilling causes environmental degradation (e.g., land drainage, landscape alteration, tectonic movements, and oil spills on land and at sea). The burning of petroleum products often emits toxic substances that can degrade both interior and exterior environments. It may even be reasonable for the state government to conclude that New York has a moral obligation to reduce carbon emissions in light of New York's vanishingly small contribution to anthropogenic global climate change. The undersigned therefore supports New York's efforts to prioritize low emission energy sources.

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Two days ago I could not leave the house because the smell of fire was so powerful, the air so acrid from a massive fire in Great Barrington, less than an hour from our house. I found out the blaze was in Massachusetts, only because I called my local fire department because I was scared the blaze was coming from nearby.

I know my story is not unique. The whole point is that my story is all of our stories, as New Yorkers, Americans, and people who live in this world.

What could possibly be more important than addressing climate change, especially now that a Trump administration is imminent. What could possibly be more urgent? We need to deploy all of our resources and will to tackle this existential threat together. What is holding us back?

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**First Name:** jennifer

**Last Name:** sarafin

**Comments:** STOP THE GREEN ENERGY SCAM

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**First Name:** Gene

**Last Name:** Fellner

**Comments:** _____

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My name is Gene Fellner. I am an Associate Professor of Education at the College of Staten Island/CUNY

I am asking NYPA to support the offshore wind project on Staten Island and make it big. It can be extremely effective so that NYPA reaches the 15 GW of renewable energy instead of the 3.5 GW in its proposed plan. There is also a lot of underused M1/M3 land on the island that NYPA can use to build the necessary renewable production. Further, our college campus is on a huge piece of public property with crumbling infrastructure. With NYPA we can make it work in an energy efficient way. We want NYPA to help us make the “forgotten” borrow the epicenter of renewable energy. Please help us to do so.

Gene Fellner, PhD

College of Staten  Island and the Graduate Center

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**First Name:** Christina

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The world's largest consumer of balsa is Siemens Gamesa. They used almost 26,000 tons of balsa in 2021 (the equivalent of around 170,000 $m^3$). The wood is bonded in the blades together with plastics such as PET and PVC, as well as glass fibre and epoxy resins. Most of which are derived from fossil fuels.

One meaning of hypocrisy is the practice of claiming to have higher standards or more noble beliefs than is the case.

Hypocrisy is an apt description of the so-called transition and its proponents. There are smarter ways to get to net zero, all we need are smarter politicians. Lets stop these things and KEEP IT WILD.

A green paradox¦. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l6pT351gNic&t=150s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l6pT351gNic&t=150s)

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Sincerely,
Christina Kramer
Protect Our Coast - LINY President

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**First Name:** W.

**Last Name:** E. Samuels

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My name is El Samuels and I work at Hunter College/CUNY which is in Manhattan. I teach in the Nursing Department and I know how health is affected by the pollution around us. I want my students to have a future so I want NYPA to dramatically increase its draft proposal to build 15 GW of renewable energy instead of the 3.5 GW in its proposed plan.

NYS will not meet its NY State Climate Law target of 70% renewable energy in the grid by 2030 without a much larger expansion of public renewable energy. In fact, just for NYC we should have at least 5 GW.

NYPA, you can be the one that makes a difference between life and death.

Thanks

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**First Name:** Chris

**Last Name:** Heron

**Comments:** Hello Mrs. Hochul,

I wanted to write to you in the wake of this most recent election. It seems to me now, with Republicans controlling not only the Presidency, but both houses of Congress, that we must prepare to face an avalanche of catastrophic decisions for our economy and environment. I therefore believe that organizing with a bottom up approach is our best approach to mitigate the damage that will be done to the United States and the rest of the globe in the next 4 years, and I hope you will join me in listening and building a broad

coalition.

As part of the younger generation myself, I personally feel as though years of my future life are being sold off to feed the profit margins of corporations and an increasingly disconnected 1%. Donald Trump's "Drill Baby Drill" and Kamala Harris's support for fracking in this most recent election has only served to confirm my fears. I am fully in support of the Build Public Renewables Act, which directs the New York Power Authority to build enough public renewables to ensure that we meet the CLCPA targets of 70% renewable electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040.

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I would love to know how your administration plans to tackle this issue and to see messaging on how I and other younger voters can best support you in these efforts.

Best,

Chris Heron,
A Concerned Constituent

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**Last Name:** Silverman-Stoloff

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Hi,

I support home rule for any battery energy storage facility. This way local lawmakers can make sound decisions on the placement of these facilities and constituents can easily have their voices heard at local meetings.

BESS should never be placed in residential zones. The impact to residents especially the ones who will be FORCED to live near them, in evacuation zones and shelter in place zones will have to bear the brunt of all the adverse affects these facilities bring.

-home value : this year with a proposal for a 116MW facility within 500 feet of their home the owners had to reduce their home $300,000 just because of the proposal.

In Texas people are finding themselves in situations where they cannot sell their homes because the state has out their homes in close proximity.

Then there is the evacuation issue.where are people to go??? For weeks at a time when these things burn.

In sand Diego one burned for 17 days. Is the state going to give people a debit card for hotels and incidentals??

Then there are the lies that the state has likened these fires to those of a home.
This is not the case. The plumes of HF and H cyanide are lethal as the massive amounts of PFAS. HF turns into acid rain and spreads beyond the plume of smoke.

The inter agency report was lacking testing for the chemicals it was supposed to test for so there is zero real evidence that these things are safe.

Below is a video you should take a look at about the true impact. San Diego has dealt with many fires and we do not want to put NY in the same position.

The moratoriums in place are NOT because towns are awaiting fire codes. They are because residents are HORRIFIED and do not want to live near them.
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They do not belong in residential areas.

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My name is Susan Sullivan. I am a professor at The College of Staten Island, CUNY.

I want NYPA to dramatically increase its draft proposal to build 15 GW of renewable energy instead of the 3.5 GW in its proposed plan.

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*Most New Yorkers have already experienced floods or fumes from wildfires as recently as last week, because of the failure to curb fossil fuel consumption.

*NYPA's plan has too few projects downstate or in NYC where there is the largest demand so NYPA's renewable energy projects must include at least 5 GW for NYC.

*CUNY campuses have very old, polluting buildings. NYPA needs to include renewable energy on more CUNY sites to improve the air quality for students, faculty, staff and the communities surrounding the campus.

*The strong labor standards in the Build Public Renewables Act can create thousands of good paying jobs for New Yorkers if NYPA acts more boldly to ensure NYS meets its 2030 and

*Peaker plants must be closed by 2030 so at least 5GW of renewable energy is needed for NYC alone and 15 GW for the whole state.

*The crisis is now,  so embracing a great expansion of renewable energy is essential.  Commit to at least 15 GW of renewable energy for NYS.

*Empowered by the Build Public Renewables Act, what NYPA does, or fails to do, will impact the health and safety of my children and grandchildren; whether they have clean air to breathe or clean water to drink. I have an asthmatic granddaughter whose life depends on these projects.

*Given the incoming administration in Washington,  states must lead in addressing the climate crisis!

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**First Name:** Luke

**Last Name:** Crisalli

**Comments:** _____

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My name is Luke Crisalli, I live Staten Island and I care deeply about the future of our planet.

I am asking NYPA to support the offshore wind project on Staten Island and make it big. It can be extremely effective so that NYPA reaches the 15 GW of renewable energy instead of the 3.5 GW in its proposed plan. There is also a lot of underused M1/M3 land on the island that NYPA can use to build the necessary renewable production. We want NYPA to help us make the “forgotten” borrow the epicenter of renewable energy.

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What's the problem?
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The NY State Climate Act (CLCPA) requires 70% renewable energy in the state by 2030 and 100% renewable by 2040. We are nowhere near that goal.
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NYPA's draft proposal for the next two years is paltry and doesn't meet the moment. It proposes to build only 3.5 gigawatts of renewables when we need at least 15 gigawatts. It minimizes good union jobs and apprentice programs. It doesn't address environmental injustice and it doesn't decarbonize the public schools, CUNY and SUNY--we need that badly to have healthy conditions in our schools and in the neighborhoods in which we work.
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Organize Town Halls to educate and activate our communities in schools, universities, unions, coalitions to push for these changes.
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(I previously tried to submit my longer testimony through your website and found my submission was cut off without warning.  I want to know if it is working now. )

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**First Name:** Robert

**Last Name:** Crisalli

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**First Name:** Carole

**Last Name:** Harris

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Along with thousands of others in the New York City area, I implore you to radically revise your Strategic Plan.  CUNY and SUNY campuses are ready to work with you.

Many thanks.

Carole K. Harris
New York City College of Technology, CUNY

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**Last Name:** Souder-Russo

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**First Name:** ronald

**Last Name:** leonard

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I previously listed myself and my organization as a speaker today. Can you please insure that we are in the list for this morning!

Ron Leonard
Founder Renewable Energy Coalition .org
Sent from my iPad

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**First Name:** Lina

**Last Name:** Cohen

**Comments:** Hello Gov. Hochul,

I am a native New Yorker, born and raised in the Bronx. As I have grown older, I find myself more and more worried about climate change/catastrophe and how it will impact New Yorkers. More and more extreme weather will negatively impact our city structures - especially the subways, which I use to travel across NYC and get to work. I care about preparing NYC for a green future. As a city, we should be leaders and making innovative steps to move away from old energy - especially considering my Con Ed bill seems to go up and up and up every year - and turn to new solutions. NYC is in an affordability crisis the likes of which honestly scare me. I'm not sure that the city I live in now is that of my childhood and I worry that people like me will have a harder and harder time being able to remain here. As such, I want to throw my support behind the following actions. Please, Gov. Hochul, support these motions so that you can hold your head high as a leader who thinks of her city and her people before profits and big business.

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**First Name:** Howard

**Last Name:** V. Lewis

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NYPA is a supporting agency of power generation, climate change and reducing energy use within the state systems. NYPA representatives are supporting the SUNY system and other NYS entities with financial, technical and construction support.  As the utility is a leader in Hydro Power, and reducing carbon emissions, I believe having NYPA 's oversite of solar and other renewable energy sources will be in the best interest of NYS and the Governors E.O. 20 directive.

Respectfully,

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**First Name:** Ainsley

**Last Name:** Waller

**Comments:** As a New York homeowner, I have been impacted by incredibly high energy bills, as well as unprecedented flooding in my home and neighborhood due to climate change.

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**First Name:** Ryan

**Last Name:** Madden

**Comments:** _____

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Sincerely,

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Ryan Madden (he/him)
Climate & Energy Campaigns Director
Long Island Progressive Coalition
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**First Name:** Esther

**Last Name:** Rosario

**Comments:** Good afternoon -

Climate Jobs New York <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.climatejobsny.org/__;!!MQuuhw!38LHYoIEWgDiwn-YhjJZoNfg9N4VJTxRq0Dtt4zFGWSoADxKQqiastgpl5mMWiRpHVTLVeJl7SAUd_JkuV5TEAn9dk5nU_xNe8Y$>  is a growing coalition of labor unions representing 2.6 million working men and women at the center of New York's economy. We are committed to building and charting a path for New York's clean energy future while creating good union jobs, and we look forward to working with NYPA to do just that.

I have attached Climate Jobs New York's comment on NYPA's draft renewables strategic plan.

Let me know if you have any questions or issues opening the document and if anything else is needed on our end to submit it officially to the record.

Best,

Esther

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**First Name:** Ajay Singh

**Last Name:** Chaudhary

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**First Name:** jennifer

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To Whom it may concern,

I strongly oppose New York State’s energy plan. The current approach, including 94-C and this year’s budget, undermines home rule and environmental protections while stripping communities of fair tax assessments for hosting industrial energy projects. Eminent domain for energy infrastructure is unacceptable, and with over a million ratepayers in arrears, the financial burdens of offshore wind’s exorbitant strike prices are unsustainable.

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New Yorkers deserve a realistic energy plan rooted in fairness, reliability, and affordability—not one driven by mandates and corporate lobbying.

Thank you,
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**Last Name:** Kingsley

**Comments:** My name is Wilder Kingsley and I am a current resident & lifelong Brooklynite in Prospect Heights.

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Please support public institutions such as SUNY and CUNY in the transition to renewables, and provide a detailed plan for the phaseout of peaker plans. Thank you.

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**Submit Date:** 11/26/2024 09:36:00 AM

**First Name:** Beverly

**Last Name:** Solow

**Comments:** I have lived in Inwood, in Northern Manhattan for 38 years, blocks from Inwood Hill Park and also the 1 train.

I rode the 1 train to attend the NYPA public hearing on Nov 20 in NYC. Standing on the platform, I saw so many opportunities to build public renewables on public land.-- solar panels on large roof tops of MTA facilities and NYC Sanitation yards, and also a sports center and hospital should Columbia University be persuaded that building renewables would be a health-promoting project to collaborate on.

I was horrified when the oldest forest in Manhattan was on fire earlier this month, and just this morning I learned that researchers have found a link connecting wildfire smoke and an increased risk of dementia for older people.
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**First Name:** Carey

**Last Name:** Tan

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**Submit Date:** 11/26/2024 12:16:54 PM

**First Name:** Gilad

**Last Name:** Rabinovitch

**Comments:** _____

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Dear NYPA,

I write to you as a private permanent resident of the US residing in Queens, NY, not as a NYC employee.

My labor union has encouraged me to reach out and voice my concerns about modest decarbonization goals. It is our duty as concerns residents of this wonderful country to voice our dismay at unambitious climate goals that do not set a positive example for the rest of the country and the world. Climate change has already taken or affected many lives within the US and across the globe and this is not the time to be timid or cave to pressures from those who would rather spread disinformation and act in ways that are detrimental to our health, well being, and that of the next generations.

Please do the right thing and strive towards ambitious and game changing goals. Time is running out.

Respectfully,
Gilad Rabinovitch
Queens, NY

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**Source:** Public NY Advocates

**Submit Date:** 11/26/2024 12:50:42 PM

**First Name:** Ryan

**Last Name:** O'Loughlin

**Comments:** _____

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Dear NYPA Strategic Planning Team,

My name is Ryan O'Loughlin, and I live in Queens. As a member of the CUNY community, and a researcher who spends his time researching and teaching climate justice issues, I am writing to urge NYPA to dramatically increase its renewable energy production target from the proposed 3.5 gigawatts to at least 15 gigawatts over the next two years.

New York cannot meet the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act's goals of 70% renewable energy by 2030 and 100% by 2040 without bold and immediate action. Current proposals are insufficient to meet these urgent targets, leaving communities vulnerable to the escalating impacts of the climate crisis, as evidenced by floods, wildfires, and air quality disasters.

NYPA must lead by example. This means:

*Investing in renewable energy projects that prioritize downstate communities, including at least 5 GW for NYC, where demand is highest.
*Decarbonizing CUNY and SUNY campuses to improve air quality for students, faculty, staff, and surrounding neighborhoods.
*Creating 25,000 good union jobs and apprenticeship programs to build the renewable infrastructure New York needs.
*Closing polluting peaker plants by 2030 and addressing environmental injustices through bill relief for low-income households.

The decisions NYPA makes now will define New York's future—whether our children breathe clean air and live in climate-resilient communities. Please rise to the challenge and ensure a livable future for all.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ryan O'Loughlin

Assistant Professor of Philosophy, Queens College CUNY

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**Submit Date:** 11/26/2024 12:57:14 PM

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Dear NYPA,

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to speak last night. Unfortunately 3 minutes is not enough to share my thoughts with your organization. I also appreciated speaking with Danielle and Mario. We sent along the, most recent EMF studies we reference for our statistically significant studies on the harms of EMF radiation exposure to humans and we would like to share them as part of the public comment as well.

Please see the following link as requested, WHO analysis, possibly carcinogenic, IARC classifies Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields as possibly carcinogenic to humans

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Equinor's  Article Vii application used an old study by WHO where EMF was noted as not carcinogenic.

The below is PropelNY's EMF data:
We do not use the appliances listed in the following link 24/7.  The comparison is laughable. Why is PropelNY not using the updated study?

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My personal comment from last night:

My name is Christina Kramer and I am the president of POCLINY.  Protect Our Coast - Long Island, NY 5.5K members.

I oppose New York power authorities, proposed energy plans.  We need a diverse reliable portfolio that does NOT rely on intermittent Energy sources.

*Vineyard Wind claims they have hundreds of letters of support for their project,
*The East Coast taxpayers have over half a millions signatures against the turbines and they are not bing paid or rewarded for their signatures.
*There may be a few misguided environmentalist speaking, but don’t be fooled by the paid lobbyist performers and their fear-mongering literature.

*Millions of dollars have been spent on environmental organizations that were standing in the way for their silence or support. And other Millions have been spent on an anti-Nuclear campaign.

And let's just be clear… this power upgrade is indeed the infrastructure for the over 2k wind turbines slated for the LI coast  on the south shore.

I am all for renewables, but what constitutes a renewable energy source?

*Does a renewable energy source have an oil spill response plan?
*Does a renewable energy source dump thousands of tons of fiberglass and PFAS in our ocean that destroys the food chain shuts down our beaches?
*Does a renewable energy source dump thousands of gallons of heated ocean water with chemicals in our ocean EVERY DAY ?
*Does a renewable source require thousands of incidental takes of our endangered marine life?
*Does a renewable energy source qualify as a renewable energy when it uses strip mining, child and salve labor?

Before everyone goes crazy thinking this is misinformation, I urge you to read environmental impact statements from BOEM, OSW developers and the EPA

Doing all of this will NOT prevent us from USING fossil fuels,

*The 1% ers are buying carbon credits to be able to fly in their private jets. That alone should tell you that this is not about saving the planet.
*POCLINY paid for a professional cost benefit analysis since NYSERDA or our Governor could not answer what these green projects will cost ratepayers.
*The analysis proved WE the rate payers will be paying 3x higher rates for energy. That's after we are forced into electric heat pumps and EV Cars.
*NYS is creating an unstable grid by imposing mandates with Electric Vehicles,  and electric heat pumps. Both items are largely unaffordable for average folks and will saddle residents with high energy bills for the rest of their lives.

I encourage you all to Do your research:

We've had so many climate emergencies which none have not come true yet, but with each invented emergency you know what did come true? More regulations and enormous tax hikes.

NYS energy mandates are Forcing us into a solution that will make foreign entities richer. Almost all of the wind turbine corporations are foreign owned petroleum and oil companies!

NY is the 13th largest economy and produces .04 of carbon emissions while other states are still using coal! We share the same air. (Canada fires) Yet we are being held to yet higher standards when other states not to mention other countries have not met our baseline.

So now we don’t have carbon goals anymore. Now we only have goals to reach their ridiculous self Imposed mandates.

Our school district has invested in and updated school bus infrastructure for natural gas, which is safe, effective efficient and working and now NYS wants to spend 400M on electric school buses. This may be working down south but how will EV buses work in cold NY winters? Batteries deplete in the cold. We have a high water table. Saltwater and electric are a dangerous mix. Our children will not be collateral damage.

Reprehensible these wind companies write in their EIS all of the truths that will happen to us thinking that noone will read hundreds of pages and when these horrific events happen they are not held liable. They are telling the truth so believe them! I mean what's not redacted!

Even with all the battery storage and turbines, we still need reliable energy because turbines can't carry the payload.

People say that they wont pay for Natural Gas to profit from the climate crisis, but that is exactly whats happening.  National Grid is partnering with offshore wind.

The TURBINES, the BESS AND THE HIGH VOLTAGE CANCER CABLES ARE ALL ONE GIANT PROJECT designed to force higher energy rates stripping the working class of any hopes of achieving wealth.

In closing I want to say that I am thoroughly disgusted that these people are gaining access to our children with their stem programming of propaganda. Stay out of our schools and out of our residential communities.

If Amazon, Google and AI are happy using small nuclear reactors we should be looking at the same kind of energy for the LI rate payers.

Thank you for listening,

Christina Kramer
POCLINY
Protect Our Coast - Long Island, New York

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**First Name:** Jordan

**Last Name:** Christensen

**Comments:** _____

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Please find attached Citizens Campaign for the Environment’s comments on the draft NYPA Renewables Strategic Plan.

Thank you,

Jordan

Jordan Christensen

Program Coordinator

Citizens Campaign for the Environment

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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/CCE_Comments_on_NYPA_draft_renewables_plan/comments_NYPA_draft_renewables_plan_2025_final.pdf

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**Submit Date:** 11/26/2024 02:40:00 PM

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**First Name:** Eileen

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To: NY Power Authority

From: Dr. Eileen Moran

RE: NYPA's draft Plan for Renewable energy

As COP 29 met last week NYC was identified as the third worst air quality in the world, behind only Shanghai and Tokyo. This much pollution is a certain health hazard, and we have the asthma rates to prove it.

NYS talks ambitiously about getting off fossil fuels but then does very, very, little. NY passed the landmark legislation in the Community Leadership and the Climate Protection Act but then failed to fund implementing it. Now with the Build Public Renewables Act, the NY Power Authority (NYPA) is empowered and must act to ensure enough renewable energy and battery storage is developed so NY meets its 2030 and 2040 fossil fuel targets.

New Yorkers have already experienced billions of dollars in property damage from flooding and more frequent and fiercer hurricanes. We got the fumes from Canadian fires and then the wildfires in NJ and city parks. In Queens where I live, 11 people drowned during Storm Ida, unable to escape their basement apartments.

Come Jan 20, 2025, the federal government will no longer be an ally when combating global warming. NYPA has a unique opportunity to make NYS a leader in meeting the climate crisis head on and improving the health and safety of all New Yorkers

But your proposed plan is woefully inadequate. NYPA must be far bolder and commit to producing 15 GW of renewable energy and at least 5 GW here in NYC given our energy demand. As a Queens College retiree, I urge you to include many more CUNY campuses as sites for renewable energy projects. NYS's decades of underfunding of CUNY means its students, faculty and staff work and study in some of the dirtiest buildings. Three Cuny campuses have buildings on the State's top 20 list of biggest polluters, undermining the health of students, faculty and staff and that of the surrounding communities.

As a union member, I applaud the strong labor standards and training in the BPRA and know CUNY will be the site of training workers for those good paying jobs developing and sustaining renewable energy. NYPA must be bold and expand its plan to 15 GW with at least 5 GW in NYC. Do the right thing!

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I teach at CUNY and live in Westchester County.

I want NYPA to dramatically increase its draft proposal to build 15 GW of renewable energy instead of the 3.5 GW in its proposed plan.

Please keep in mind:

*NYS will not meet its NY State Climate Law target of 70% renewable energy in the grid by 2030 without a much larger expansion of public renewable energy.

*Most New Yorkers have already experienced floods or fumes from wildfires, because of the failure to curb fossil fuel consumption.

*NYPA's plan has too few projects downstate or in NYC where there is the largest demand so NYPA's renewable energy projects must include at least 5 GW for NYC.

*CUNY campuses have very old, polluting buildings. NYPA needs to include renewable energy on more CUNY sites to improve the air quality for students, faculty, staff and the communities surrounding the campus.

*The strong labor standards in the Build Public Renewables Act can create thousands of good paying jobs for New Yorkers if NYPA acts more boldly to ensure NYS meets its 2030 and 2040 targets.

*Eleven people drowned in Queens basements during storm Ida.

*Peaker plants must be closed by 2030 so at least 5GW of renewable energy is needed for NYC alone and 15 GW for the whole state.

*The crisis is now, so embracing a great expansion of renewable energy is essential. Commit to at least 15 GW of renewable energy for NYS.

*Empowered by the Build Public Renewables Act, what NYPA does, or fails to do, will impact the health and safety of my children and grandchildren; whether they have clean air to breathe or clean water to drink.

*Given the incoming administration in Washington,  states must lead in addressing the climate crisis!

*NYPA and NYS  must not be subsidizing corporations like Amazon, Citibank, or Lockhead , who have hastened the devastation.

*According to COP29, NYC has the third poorest air quality in the world.  NYPA must ensure enough renewable energy in NYC to quickly close the heavily polluting peaker plant

Thank you for your consideration,

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**First Name:** dominicschlossberg

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**Comments:** _____

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Hi, my name is Dominic Schlossberg and I live in Nassau County. I am writing to please ask that when you publish the strategic plan in January 2025, you use language that signifies your resolve to reaching your legally binding renewables goal.
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**Last Name:** Onserud

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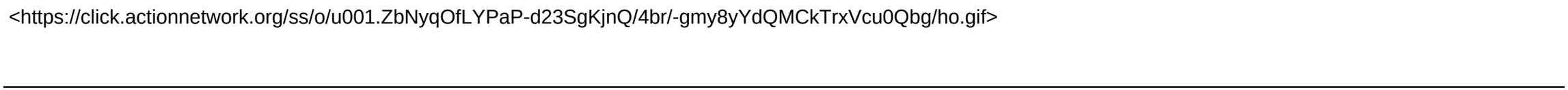
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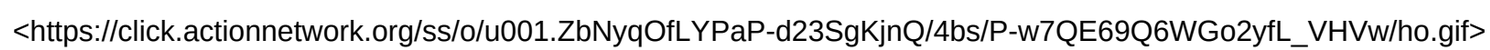
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Hello Gov. Hochul,

I am a native New Yorker, born and raised in the Bronx. As I have grown older, I find myself more and more worried about climate change/catastrophe and how it will impact New Yorkers. More and more extreme weather will negatively impact our city structures - especially the subways, which I use to travel across NYC and get to work. I care about preparing NYC for a green future. As a city, we should be leaders and making innovative steps to move away from old energy - especially considering my Con Ed bill seems to go up and up and up every year - and turn to new solutions. NYC is in an affordability crisis the likes of which honestly scare me. I'm not sure that the city I live in now is that of my childhood and I worry that people like me will have a harder and harder time being able to remain here. As such, I want to throw my support behind the following actions. Please, Gov. Hochul, support these motions so that you can hold your head high as a leader who thinks of her city and her people before profits and big business.

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2-6 hour battery storage is only one part of the full cost of expanding wind and solar. I struggle to understand how current BESS policy addresses multi day compromises in renewable availability. There are exciting commercially deployed technologies addressing longer term storage. Thermal storage and iron & silicon battery chemistries come to mind. How much work is being done to address the unavoidable multi day dispatch issue?
Has NYPA analyzed the S. California experience with the aggressive expansion of solar? The result is success in expanding solar resources and failure in containing soaring increases in consumer utility bills. See https://epic.uchicago.edu/news/solar-power-glut-boosts-california-electric-bills-other-states-reap-the-benefits/
How is this not the most probable outcome for New York? I would actually expect a even worse outcome given the lower renewable resource availability and wider swings in seasonal demand that creates material increases in bridging systems. The momentum behind the belief that renewables are "cheaper faster better" ignores that in most cases intermittency cannot be solved by current BESS and requires additional dispatchable , usually fossil fired, capacity. Once the full system cost (solar+BESS+distribution+dispatchable back up) is accounted for, is it really "cheaper faster better"? Decarbonization is critical and the public deserves the respect of proper systems level economic analysis to model the costs. There is no avoiding the arithmetic. A policy goal should not become an end unto itself isolated from transparent economic forecasts that give consumers a voice in shaping rather than being presented with a rate case fait accompli that surprises and economically harms the intended beneficiaries.
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**First Name:** Sean

**Last Name:** MacDonald

**Comments:** _____

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To representatives at the NY Power Authority:

I am writing to urge the NYPA to prioritize state public institutions, including the City University of New York, for renewable energy projects in New York State.  My testimony, prepared for the November 20 public hearing in New York City is attached.

Sincerely,

Sean P MacDonald

**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Support_Investment_in_Publicly_Owned_Renewable_Energy/Testimony_for_NY_Power_Authority_hearing_Nov20.docx

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**First Name:** Rachel

**Last Name:** Youens

**Comments:** Dear Justin Driscoll and Governor Hochul,

I work at LaGuardia Community College, CUNY. Many buildings, including LaGCC, are in need of infrastructure repair, which is a perfect reason to work with public educatioanal institutions to decarbonize toward the mandate of the CLPCA. Money must be allocated to our CUNY schools, our faculty and students, our staff, and our communities. At the least, NYPA can give CUNY schools a budget to complete decarbonization projects. More comphrehensively, NYPA can implement a systematic partnership with CUNY on education, engagement, and workforce as well as capital projects. My understanding is that NYPA has expertise on hydroelectric generation and transmission and have separate units for Power Supply and Transmission, but not Buildings.

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**First Name:** Sofya

**Last Name:** Aptekar

**Comments:** My name is Sofya Aptekar. I am writing as a New York City resident and a CUNY professor who is concerned about the climate collapse and its effects on neighbors, communities, and institutions of our city. New York State is behind on climate goals that it itself mandates. NY Power Authority has to build enough public renewals to meet the 70 percent renewal electricity targets by 2030 and 100 percent in 2040. It is infuriating to learn that the NYPA's draft strategic plan has such a low proposed capacity. It is an inadequate plan that spell defeat. As a resident of Brooklyn, I am concerned about the lack of planned project in our area, where demand is so high. We need to have green energy, green jobs, and affordable utility bills.

As someone who works at CUNY, I am constantly reminded about the unhealthy buildings in which most of us work and our student learns. Public institutions like CUNY should benefit from decarbonization through renewable energy and retrofits. I call on the governor to fully decarbonize our public schools by siting utility scale and distributed generation on SUNY and CUNY campuses and building enough capacity to meet their energy demands. We have thousands of CUNY students and graduates who would benefit from the growth of green jobs. It is outrageous that the state gives massive energy discounts to Citybank, Amazon, Lockheed Martin another other huge corporation, essentially subsidizing these companies that not only extract resources from our communities but contribute to climate destruction and violence of war.

I want to also add that having one hearing for all of New York City is disrespectful. I could not attend that one hearing because I teach a night class that conflicted. I would like to have an opportunity to attend a hearing in Brooklyn, where I live. To come to John Jay College, the location of the one hearing from Staten Island, Southern Brooklyn, Eastern Queens, or Northern Bronx could take over two hours! It seems that whole huge swaths of New York State are not given hearings at all. What an insult to the idea of community input.

Governor, this is a chance to show some planning for the future and responsiveness to regular residents, and not just wealthy corporation.

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I know you are campaigning for funds from corporate PACs, but protecting our lives with equity of law, policies and programs is constitutional.
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Sincerely, Michael McGlynn, Watervliet, Albany County NYS

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**First Name:** Elissa

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**Comments:** Hello, I am a resident of Jackson Heights, Queens, NY and I care deeply about the creation of new, publicly-owned renewable energy sources for New Yorkers. I face a future of environmental despair, a future that darkens even more for my future children. We need to shift this projected future by putting money toward renewable energy.

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**First Name:** Mikayla

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**Last Name:** Katz Rothman

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and we could FIX THAT.  We HAVE to.  We must stop subsidizing corporations and start taking care of ourselves, our city, our university, our lives.

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Thank You,
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**First Name:** John

**Last Name:** Hammond

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Testimony to NYPA, November 28, 2024
My name is John L. Hammond. I live in Manhattan. Before retiring, I served for 46 years as professor of sociology at Hunter College and the Graduate Center of the City University of New York.
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Increasing renewable energy will not only reduce the amount of pollution that would otherwise be generated by plants fueled by nonrenewable energy; it would contribute to alleviating the effect of greenhouse gas experienced by New Yorkers in flooding, wildfires, subway shutdowns, and other negative effects. This is especially a problem for New York City and downstate New York because the draft proposal severely underproduces in the downstate area. I do not want to minimize the problems of upstate or undercut plans for increasing production upstate. Instead I call for a similar increase in production of energy, specifically renewable energy, to serve the downstate area.

John Hammond

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**Last Name:** Sclafani

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**Comments:** _____

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In the second section of “An Atlas of the Difficult World,” National Book Award-winning poet and former City College professor Adrienne Rich presents us with what she initially calls “a map of our country.” Following Rich, I thought it might be appropriate to give you one New Yorker’s rather more local “map” as it relates to the climate crisis.

This is the South Bronx, where I teach, home to Hunts Point peaker plants and waste transfer stations, and some of the highest asthma rates in the country (and highest in NYC). Here is the building where I work, a converted tire factory, where indoor air quality is a persistent concern, and students routinely bake or freeze in classrooms.

This is Hopewell Junction, an hour north of the City, where I have lived since 2012. Our property, which used to flood once every few years, flooded five times last year. This

year, a prolonged drought has become visible in the water levels of nearby ponds, and smell-able in the smoke wafting from forest fires across the Hudson. (I could have stayed in the City to tell you that; according to the Gothamist, the FDNY has fought a record number of brush fires in NYC parks this year.)

This is my colleague's home in Sullivan County, from which he and his family were forced to evacuate the week prior to Thanksgiving. Here are the pictures on his phone, the orange-rimmed treeline of the encroaching fire.

These are the Plant Hardiness Zones in New York state, according to the USDA. That's my partner, a graduate of the Cornell Cooperative master gardener program, pointing out to me the five-degree shift over just the last ten years.

I could go on. Every New Yorker—including those of you who work for NYPA—has a similar local "map" of the climate crisis: of outdated infrastructure, worsening environmental conditions, sometimes even threats to life and property.

The difference is that NYPA has a much greater responsibility—and ability—to act on these "maps" to help create a livable future for New Yorkers.

Unfortunately, NYPA is failing in that responsibility. NYPA's current strategic plan doesn't even put us on track to achieve the state's own legally-mandated climate goals for 2030. How can an organization whose mission is to "lead the transition to a carbon-free, economically vibrant New York" propose a paltry 3.5 gigawatts of renewable energy? How can there be such a disparity between our own "maps" and your plan for our future? And how can New York fail to lead in this of all moments, when the president-elect's agency nominees indicate that Washington is going to be nothing short of a raging dumpster fire for the next four-plus years?

Rich ends her poem this way: "I promised to show you a map, you say, but this is a mural / Well then yes let it be. These are small distinctions / Where do we see it from is the question." A small distinction, perhaps, but an important one. By showing us a mural rather than a map, Rich asks us to see the problem from the point of view of the impacted communities, of their vibrant stories and histories. In the same spirit, by presenting you with a mural instead of a map, I am asking you to consider the problem from the perspective of the communities you are tasked to serve. Please, show these communities you truly believe in NYPA's mission, and in our collective future.

- Craig Bernardini, Professor of English, Hostos Community College

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**Submit Date:** 12/01/2024 09:52:00 PM

**First Name:** Valdi

**Last Name:** Weiderpass

**Comments:** My workplace, Air Force Plant #59, which housed BAE Systems in Binghamton, NY was flooded out in September 2011, by remnants of Tropical Storm Lee, which was determined to have enough extra moisture due to Climate Change, to raise the Susquehanna River level enough to spill over the flood walls and flood the entire Triple Cities of Binghamton, Johnson City, and Endicott. This caused over $1 Billion in damages in Broome County. In 2023 Climate Change effects resulted in enough wildfires to send choking smoke that blotted out the sun across the entire Northeast, forcing people to remain inside. These two events and many others including Hurricane Helene should be taken as serious wake up calls for us to Act to Save a Habitable Climate, before it is too late! As we face unprecedented hurricanes and climate devastation across the globe, New York State is falling far behind on our climate goals mandated by the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act of 2019. To solve this problem, New Yorkers passed the Build Public Renewables Act, which directs the New York Power Authority to build enough public renewables to ensure that we meet the CLCPA targets of 70% renewable electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040. NYPA's draft strategic plan for renewables is unacceptable as it proposes to build only 3.5 GW “ nowhere near the capacity needed to meet CLCPA goals. Moreover, by NYPA's own admission, it is likely that the majority of these projects will never get built.

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**First Name:** Abby

**Last Name:** Scher

**Comments:** We in NY State need the NY Power Authority to be as aggressive as it possibly can be to get renewable, non-fossil fuel energy online to forstall the worst of climate

chaos and to fulfill its obligations under the Build Public Renewables Act. A blue-green coalition has identified 15 gigawatts as the goal by 2030, which may seem pie in the sky but 3.5 gw is just lame and we need to see ourselves in a World War II type situation and get things online even faster than we think possible. Do it for your kids and grandkids and all the creatures of the earth. Thank you.

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**First Name:** Kelly

**Last Name:** Teaford

**Comments:** I commend you for this draft. I especially like your commitment to unionized workforces. I second what many at the public hearing in NYC that I attended asked for: please update your plan to create 15 GW of renewable energy. I write grants for a living and know how hard it can be to obtain funding. I urge you to fight for the passage of a law, or include somehow a clause in this plan, that forces large polluting corporations to pay for gaps in funding. That's where the money should be coming from.

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**First Name:** Kiana

**Last Name:** Ziadkhanpour

**Comments:** NYPA must adhere to and strive to surpass the goal set in place to have 70% of the state's power needs provided by renewables by 2030. The proposed plan in

place fails to do this, egregiously! NYPA should expand their proposed lists of projects and fill the 15 gigawatt "gap".

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**First Name:** Liz

**Last Name:** Bainum

**Comments:** Build more renewables, please.  I am worried about climate change.  Most New Yorkers have already experienced floods or fumes from wildfires, because of the failure to curb fossil fuel consumption.  I couldn't believe that on Nov. 9 I couldn't be outdoors because of the drought-caused wildfires in Brooklyn!

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To stand with fossil fuel producers at this point in the climate crisis is to steer New York's citizens towards physical and financial suffering in service of nothing but the capital-captured public policy that has, over the course of my lifetime, put more and more government authority into the hands of authoritarians, endangering my children's lives

alongside the climate destruction that we're failing to address. Like so many other Democrats (to my right and left), I see less and less value in supporting leaders and a party who hand their power and responsibilities over to industry and offer only cosmetic policy distinctions. Give the majority of New Yorkers a party to believe in and an avenue to fight for their future.
Thank you in advance for making these major policy changes because I asked. : )
-- Matt Fisher

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**Submit Date:** 12/02/2024 10:06:00 AM

**First Name:** Marnie

**Last Name:** Brady

**Comments:** Dear Governor Hochul -

The news is unambiguous, Gov. Hochul has been blocking climate change reforms-- from the unscrupulous rollback and compromising on congestion pricing to the middling mediocrity and muddying of plans for renewable energy.

I am disheartened to see that the state leader who had the guts and moral compass to FINALLY release the funds of the Campaign for Fiscal Equity for NYS public schools ensures those same children will have a bleak future. I predict many of those children may ultimately decide *not* to have children of their own if you continue to rollback the transformative approaches to climate challenges that you promised. They deserve to have hope and futures by believing in the power of government to let life flourish, for progress to implement renewable energy as a path forward. They deserve, by 2030, to know that our state has built an outstanding capacity of 15 GW of Public Renewables. They should not be learning by the time the enter college that Gov. Hochul blocked this after years of coalition building, and innovations in technology and workforce development to make this happen.

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**First Name:** Robert

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I want my children and grandchildren to live in a safe and thriving New York. Our legacy cannot be a crippled climate or an economy devoted to fixing one weather disaster after another.

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**First Name:** Nancy

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**Comments:** _____

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“The challenge for Democrats now is to prove we can govern. Republicans will control Washington, but we control cities and states across the country. Let’s prove ourselves to be the party of competence by improving people’s lives with homes they can afford, quality health care, clean air and safe drinking water, high-performing schools and reliable transportation. Promoting these public goods can be done in partnership with the private sector, but never in submission to the profit motive.

If Democrats lead with a bold, cleareyed vision for the future, voters will support them. “

NYTimes Opinion, Nov 21, 2024

Sincerely,

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**First Name:** Genevieve

**Last Name:** Gravina

**Comments:** _____

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Good afternoon! I've reviewed the strategic plan for the co or self development of solar projects by NYPA and would like to share how our streamline tech-enabled Operations & Maintenance services could be a great fit for the organization. We already are partnered with many NY based O&M specialists that we deploy for solar maintenance. Does it make sense to  review options for post installation services as you build out your development plans? |  Schedule an Appointment » <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://calendly.com/ggravina-1__;!!MQuuhw!0lDLt6izgO7q-UtGwij28bla5e-axKTdky81DM1UxcUBDcDYZ-_KHUPrB0hMKBBYZSAgxj-3XiEIiqa6KsKELhCw0j0wow$>
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Sunny Regards,

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**Last Name:** Ouyant

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**Last Name:** Panayotopoulos

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Best,
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**First Name:** Jack

**Last Name:** Walsh

**Comments:** My name is Jack Walsh, and I'm a sophomore at UB. Many of my family members were involved in fighting for justice at the environmental disaster of Love Canal. Both of my parents are in public school teacher unions. I'm incredibly worried about the pending climate crisis. For these reasons, I write you this letter.

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**First Name:** Barbara

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NYPA produce at least 25,000 union jobs and apprentice programs to build out renewable energy in NYS.
NYPA decarbonize public schools and universities in NYS.
NYPA further address environmental injustices by increasing support for NYPA's REACH program which gives bill relief to low-income households in NYS.

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**First Name:** Darcy

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**Comments:** Clearly NYPAs plan includes Alle Catt Wind Farm, and its very clear the residents in the area do not want: this project and the negative impacts to the environment, their well being and property values.  Please do not support a project that should not happen.

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**First Name:** James

**Last Name:** Dunn

**Comments:** Dear NYPA,

I understand public renewables is a complex issue with multiple perspectives but, frankly, New York cannot afford to build anything less than 15GW to meet its climate goals. 3.5 GW is not nearly enough.

I truly hope Mr. Driscoll and Governor Hochul are prioritizing the long-term health of New York citizens, not industry stakeholders concerned about profits, citizens complaining about disrupted views, and certainly not politicians worried about getting re-elected. Public servants answer to citizens, not industry, and we all know industry is concerned with one thing - profits, short-term first and long-term second. Our air, water and land should take precedence over any politician's job and any energy industry corporation's gripes.

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I thought that I'd left climate change denial behind me when I left South Dakota, but I'm disappointed to see that it's alive and well here in New York. I was also disappointed

when you refused to implement congestion pricing, which would de-incentivize driving and provide extra money to our public transportation system, which is the best in the country but needs a great deal of maintenance and expansion. It's not too late to change your mind and give the MTA the funds it needs, but that's not what I'd like to talk to you about today.

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The law and constitution of this state require immediate action to reach this eminently attainable goal.

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The new Build Public Renewables Act, passed as part of New York's annual budget, I think the questionable history of this bill tells a story? The law had been introduced — and failed to pass — the last two consecutive years before finally passing this year. Although I & the Renewable energy coalition have a similar vision to Sarhana, possibly brought to fore when former governor Cuomo said "I'm as serious as a heart attack" when threatening  multiple NY monopoly utilities with cancellation of their operating contract. Having the NYISO Recently say we have to keep the peaker plants and dirty downstate base load plants running for another two years is unacceptable.

The NYPA statement "NYPA will cease fossil fuel generation at its small natural gas power plants by the end of 2030, so long as electric system reliability and environmental conditions allow. JUST DOSN'T CUT IT. Too many (unfulfilled) open ended promises have been put forward starting with we will have 30% renewable energy on the grid by 2016 (starting with 19% hydro and other existing assets) never even came close to success. We in fact testified before the State Assembly/Senate joint hearings in South Hampton threatening PSEG LI with an early contract cancellations and turning LIPA into a MUNI. Resulting in the exit of Tom Falcone & entrance of John Rhodes as CEO…

The promises have to end and the plan for 100% renewable energy has to ensue now, state wide. We see this NYPA expanded authority "authorizes NYPA to, among other things; "plan, design, develop, finance, construct, own, operate, maintain and improve, either alone, or jointly with other entities through the use of public-private agreements, renewable energy generating projects " as a fatal (possible nail in the coffin) for achieving NYS mandated 70% goal for renewables for 2030. That Finance section is a key point of contention "To finance projects, NYPA may use (1) the proceeds of notes issued pursuant to PAL §1009-a, (2) the proceeds of bonds issued under PAL § 1010, (3) other funds made available by NYPA, or (4) other funds made available to NYPA from non-NYPA sources, such as the State or Federal Government.[4] NYPA may sell the outputs of renewable energy generating projects identified in its Strategic Plan, including (1)RECs to NYSERDA, (2) renewable power and energy or ancillary services to, or into,markets operated by NYISO, and (3) renewable power and energy and RECs or attributes to (A) New York State load serving entities, including the Long Island Power Authority, (B) manufacturers of green hydrogen or other zero-emission technology, (C) public entities, such as state agencies and municipalities, (D) community distributed generation providers, energy aggregators, and similar entities, and (e) Community Choice Aggregation communities.[5]

Just forgetting the simple fact that the state taking over these projects looses the accelerated depreciation portion of the capital stack that makes them economical, putting more burden on taxpayers with state borrowing is just untenable. These new projects should be financed by the private sector not NY Taxpayer funds.

NYPA is a unproven developer of renewables and their mgt. of other ESCO's/EPC's to do this just adds another section of uncertainty/cost that is just uninsurable & not acceptable to taxpayers? The obvious issue is NYPA role in this process seems redundant and does not add value to an existing process, why add more bureaucracy and delays & adds cost at a critical juncture?

While this above action sounds laudable (to the legislature) who passed it, for us doing the actual work we are aghast.

Yes, the NYS DPS seems to have already taken the logistics to insure large projects (the only ones requiring extra resources) are being taken care of this month, thanks Rory.

The Department of Public Service charged with consolidating the environmental review and permitting of major renewable energy facilities and major electric transmission lines in New York State into a single forum that provides a coordinated and timely review of siting permit applications.

“To achieve the ambitious targets set by the Climate Act and replace aging infrastructure, we must reinvent our electricity system to integrate new renewable generation and transmission that is being added continually,” CEO Christian said. “I have complete confidence in Mr. Hagos’ ability to ensure all existing project applications continue to proceed apace. ……..

The Renewable Action through Project Interconnection and Deployment (RAPID) Act, which Governor Kathy Hochul advanced in this year’s budget, created a one-stop-shop for the environmental review and permitting of major renewable energy and transmission facilities within ORES at New York State Department of Public Service (DPS). The goal of the RAPID Act is to speed siting and permitting of major renewable energy and electric transmission facilities, while protecting the environment and responding to community concerns.

ORES Executive Director Zeryai Hagos said, “I would like to thank Rory Christian for today’s announcement. ORES is well-positioned to continue supporting the development of renewable energy generation and electric transmission facilities in New York, and I look forward to continuing the office’s successful track record of executing permits while eliminating red tape, in a way that balances impacts and protects our environmental resources.”

All large-scale, renewable energy projects 25 megawatts (MWs) or larger are required to obtain a siting permit from ORES for new construction or expansion, as are new major electric transmission lines. ORES currently has 14 applications pending approval, totaling approximately 1,860 MWs of clean, renewable energy. Since its inception in 2021, ORES has permitted 18 projects totaling 2,807 MWs (basically half of the solar NY installed) of clean energy, or enough electricity to power more than 750,000 average-sized homes.  Now er have to switch to the immediate need of distributed solar located in the load pocket like the 90 MW we can get installed on Long Island. This is in addition to the GW that can be installed in NYC, this was first evaluated by our famous Dr. Richard Perez of NY’s Atmospheric Science SUNY Albany, now retired. He and his son Dr. Marc Perez are in the process of doing the first priority of a breakthrough grid study proving how we can get to a 100% renewable energy grid, quickly, reliably & at lest cost. After looking at the MISO here they have done 11 other countries and in every case their analysis ha shown success the way to the 21st century clean stable grid! NY’s ISO needs to do the same?

After all we must sadly recognize, the next president’s promise, to shut down offshore wind projects which compromise a significant portion of that NY 2030 -70% renewable energy goal?  https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/article/2024/may/13/trump-president-agenda-climate-policy-wind-power <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/article/2024/may/13/trump-president-agenda-climate-policy-wind-power__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLXZc3-I0$>

So thank you Sarhana for caring. New York state Assembly Member Sarahana Shrestha, elected this past November, was a key force in pushing the legislation through the state assembly. Before serving in the assembly, she was an organizer with the Public Power NY Coalition and the New York chapter of the Democratic Socialists of America, helping to rally around the Build Public Renewables Act. She ran on a climate campaign <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://grist.org/elections/from-new-york-to-texas-climate-candidates-are-gaining-momentum-in-local-races/__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLrE0Ye3E$>  aligned with the public power movement <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://sarahanaforassembly.com/platform/climate/__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLSLAuxe4$> , which aims to shift energy utilities from the traditional investor-owned, private model to public ownership and democratic governance. THIS IS THE CORRECT REFORM POINTS, THAT ARE  NOT ACCOMPLISHED BY PUTTING NYPA IN THE DRIVERS SEAT!

Shrestha plan, the new law addresses “fundamental questions like who should own energy, who should serve energy, at what cost, and what kind of energy should we be making, and who should be deciding those things.” ALL IMPORTANT POINT’s, AGAIN NOT ADDRESSED BY THIS NYPA AUTHORIZATION

The bill prevailed despite opposition from groups including the Independent Power Producers of New York, a trade association of energy companies working in renewables and fossil fuels, and the Alliance for Clean Energy New York, a coalition of renewable energy businesses.

For the Renewable Energy industry & ratepayers the question is a FUNDAMENTAL Reform for the stockholder controlled monopoly utility model, which is driving ratepayers prices through the roof. Those will not be served by adding another insurmountable level of bureaucracy and delays while directly competing with the private sector who successfully installed 6 GW of solar power on NY’s grid. This “Power Grab” by NYPA goes against it’s original purpose when created by FDR to fight those same Monopolies who used Sam Ansul’s model of utility trusts to scam the mom and pop Wall Street investors to put their savings behind that scheme, the press proved it was the equivalent to a Ponzi ploy of intertwined collusion and graft. We were not surprised special interests prevailed back then but now it has to be different.

In a joint letter <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.ippny.org/page/legislative-memos-63/news/joint-group-letter-on-governor-hochuls-proposal-for-nypa-to-build-new-renewable-and-energy-storage-960.html__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLYOGtkTI$>  to New York Governor Kathy Hochul, the two organizations and four other groups stated that having the public power authority build renewables “does not create a level playing field with the private sector.” They also raised concerns that the law does not address ongoing barriers to clean energy development in New York, such as delays in connecting to transmission systems and permitting.

I would like to support that comment and state this ceding the installation to NYPA is a bad idea for multiple reasons, including the glaring one that NYPA’s CEO originally said they are ill equipped to manage it:

1.My first point. We are outta of time, I can factually state that after being in the renewable energy business for 50 years. My first company Bio Energy started in ‘75 went public

in ‘81 as BESICORP NY’s first publically traded solar company. We later had to add on a cogeneration business and were responsible for around 2GW of power plants on NY’s grid. This includes the newest LI plant’s capital stack supported by Encap Development-I am one of the founders of BESICORP/SunWize. Steve Levine Emcap’s principal, was a critical member of our executive team and we have worked together on projects since he founded Encap. Steve was one of our oldest customers for my SolaRoll thermal solar products this was in connection with his pioneering efforts of getting Sears into the solar thermal business back in the late 70’s. After we went public in ’81 we asked him to come aboard and manage our power plant business. It started a long way back in the midst of our PURPA pant developments in NY. My old company, Besicorp had successfully completed development of numerous independent power plants in the United States involving almost $2 billion in financing. He was involved in the capital stack funding of the power plant Caithness Long Island Energy Center is a 350 MW natural gas fired power power plant in Yaphank, New York on Long Island operated bCaithness Energy. It began operation in 2009 as the first major baseload plant to be built on Long Island in over 30 years, and by 2020 produced the second most net energy generated among power plants on Long Island. Yes the newest OLD power plant on LI. The last article ten (the expedited power plant siting process in NY) permitted plant was ours was approximately 600MW NG plant that we were originally responsible for and was transferred to Empire Generating to develop. Those of you who were in the business for a length of time might remember our BESICORP subsidy company SunWize that we built to the largest PV distributer in the US after founding it in 1992 we sold it a decade later to a international company and it still exists today only focussing on remote grid battery systems. Time is up for ratepayers patience for excessive charges, for continued environmental costs and health costs due to dirty power. The law says 70% renewable energy by 2030 & 100% by 2040 https://www.eia.gov/state/print.php?sid=NY#:~:text=New%20York%20law%20requires%2070%25%20renewable%20electricity%20by%202030%20and%20100%25%20carbon-free%20electricity%20from%20both%20renewable%20sources%20and%20nuclear%20energy%20by%202040.%20In%202022%2C%20renewable%20sources%20and%20nuclear%20power%20combined%20supplied%2051%25%20of%20New%20York%27s%20total%20in-state%20generation%20from%20utility-scale%20and%20small-scale%20facilities.
<https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.eia.gov/state/print.php?sid=NY*:*:text=New*20York*20law*20requires*2070*25*20renewable*20electricity*20by*202030*20and*20100*25*20carbon-free*20electricity*20from*20both*20renewable*20sources*20and*20nuclear*20energy*20by*202040.*20In*202022*2C*20renewable*20sources*20and*20nuclear*20power*20combined*20supplied*2051*25*20of*20New*20York*27s*20total*20in-state*20generation*20from*20utility-scale*20and*20small-scale*20facilities.__;I34lJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJSUlJQ!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLrk5j0yE$> Tom Dinapoli NYS controllers report DiNapoli: Improved Planning Needed for New York To Achieve Its Clean Energy Goals | Office of the New York State Comptroller <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.osc.ny.gov/press/releases/2024/07/dinapoli-improved-planning-needed-new-york-achieve-its-clean-energy-goals__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLV_McHTw$> says we are not meeting that legislative mandate, which was before the recent election promising Drill drill drill and cancelling renewables!
2.Secondly, As someone who appeared/commented continually before the DPS since the late ‘90‘s when governor Pataki passed net metering of residential solar systems. Allowing the fair trade reimbursement of excess power returned to the grid to local homes’businesses by any residential project and the first ever system was on LI in Greenport. I was there that day to witness it. The group I founded for my subsidiary company SunWize 30 years ago this month is NYSEIA, I was their representative for net metering before the NYS DPS back then with DPS Paul Powers as the lead. We also were the seminal founders of independent power producers NY IPPNY. Been there done that, including testifying in 2015 at the origination of Renew the energy vision resulting in VDER. REV — the States “vision” for the New York Public Service Commission’s Reforming

the Energy Vision <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.utilitydive.com/news/ny-regulators-issue-groundbreaking-rev-order/369026/__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLdq2MEyc$> proceeding eventually leading to VDER. I will confess I'm the one who named it Darth VDER (AKA Star Wars) for good reason? There have been just too many stops and starts in NY regulations for renewable energy for the industry to survive another earthquake besides the new federal administration threatening to kill offshore wind and end the IRA tax credits. The worse VDER mistake was when after announcing an allocation 100's of MW (pre seeded) gobbled up the funds in a couple of days & then the dry $ desert ensued?

We are out of time literally and figuratively, it is impossible for the renewable energy industry to survive another misguided rethinking of a vulnerable group of companies that, possibly, has a chance now of exploding because the industry produces a cheaper more reliable and clean alternative than any other and by by the way it is faster to install. Please don't try fixing what isn't broke at this critical time over the next 4 years. We would be happy to solve the backlog of projects on the queue issue as well as deal with phasing out 50 year old polluting base loads / peaker plants sooner. The plan starts with a Perez grid study originally proposed to LIPA 5 years ago?

The initial NYPA 40 projects with 3.5GW resulted in that we have seen in the past more upstate large projects located above Leeds NY, the choke point between the upstate and downstate (Dirty Grid). We need distributed energy projects downstate in the load pocket where 40% of the states entire energy use is consumed. This NYPA process has failed in this first obvious need.

The grid is radically changed recently from a no GW usage jump, a flat model of growth, to one that sees many challenges like AI super computer data centers adding another 9% load quickly, the certainty of transportation electrification load jumps since new ICE cars will be banned soon in NYS & further electrification conversions away from fossil fuel like heat pumps. We can success fulfill this with clean energy based on a scientific plan, not with throwing spaghetti at the wall and seeing what sticks. Scattering more large projects upstate is just not a good plan!

The old flat growth grid is filed for history:

The new two way energy flow grid with 100% renewable energy is mandated in legislation for NY’s 21st century clean energy future!

Back in the day the NYDPS said- The cost of meeting the superpeaks alone reaches about $450 million per year, according to Zibelman.

Instead of building power plants to help meet these superpeaks, Zibelman wants New York to better manage the existing grid through the flexibility in demand and the wave of distributed resources that are already coming onto the grid.

“We don’t need to build new assets or bring in new supply,” Daly said. “We just better optimize the supplies that are already out there.”

“We’re moving away from a centralized grid where everything is solved at the level of the bulk power system,” Zibelman said at an industry conference <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.utilitydive.com/news/is-new-york-the-future-of-the-utility-industry/267066/__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLtzsz6xw$>  ……..

Unspoiled by the usual tensions <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.utilitydive.com/news/battle-brewing-in-south-carolina-over-utilitys-solar-proposals/363602/__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLy_HOrlE$>  between utilities and new market entrants, the REV order establishes the framework needed to leverage distributed energy resources as assets on the grid.

Utilities must transform into “market-makers” who solve problems at the edge of the system, Zibelman explained. “The ability to manage load is the solution, not the problem.” ALL GOOD POINTS REV NEVER FIXED.

You can see the trend line, of average retail cost of NY electricity and don’t forget this includes all the cheap utilities upstate NY!

REV literally was the promise “not realized”, what we got instead is a continued rapid increase in the cost of commodity electricity so exorbitant that the governor was forced to transfer a billion in taxpayer funds back to the pockets of monopoly utility stockholders hands to prevent massive cutoffs of average and LMI ratepayers accounts starting in covid and now years beyond. This can’t continue to happen with out a ratepayers rebellion in the voting box?

More than 1.2 million customers statewide owed $1.8 billion, and 60% of these customers were from New York City and Long Island. Obviously with demand rates now adding time of use charges it just got exceedingly worse recently! Choosing between food and paying energy bills is a growing problem in the U.S., a problem known as energy poverty that impacts 5.2 million people <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-021-27673-y__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLR3rqc7s$> who live above the federal poverty line. The price of electricity has already increased 29% <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.cbsnews.com/news/price-tracker/__;!!MQuuhw!yJhjuPlHtCVnjF3XNXhaWKgKAMrncv06JjMnAglbD9w5iI6yGqDSvjLXKSPJpyMplGKqIuyACt254Z2ChLVqxTCdkkDLzXUFIB0$> since 2019, and that cost is only expected to increase moving forward.

Early on: According to the Public Service Commission, utility arrears have increased by over $700 million since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic. This brings the total unpaid electric and gas bill to almost $1.5 billion in New York. This is unsustainable NYS can’t afford to pay utilities for bad decisions based on relying on dirty inefficient fossil fuels. NY taxpayers picked up that Covid charge but it’s still happening more now.

Energy costs are determined by several factors, from heat's impact on infrastructure to the price of natural gas and more, but it's the heat that creates a dangerous feedback loop: higher global temperatures fuel extreme weather that increases energy consumption and requires higher costs for maintenance. CA’s governor Newsom is caught in that vice today and NY is very close behind. California Governor Gavin Newsom signed an executive order meant to help reduce electric costs for Californians. Good luck with that Gov….

Please work with NYSEIA, The Renewable Energy Coalition, NY BESS & all other stakeholders to solve the fundamental reform issues & not impose regulations from above that just exacerbate, the problems we face nationally over the next 4 years to meet our urgent clean energy goals.

Utility

Allocation of State Funds

Utility Commitments

Authorized Cost Recovery

Total Arrears Assistance

Con Ed

$164,453,557

*$7,000,000

$167,139,507

$338,593,064

CHE&G

$2,848,882

$3,005,377

$5,854,259

NFG

$4,364,998

$9,204,217

$13,569,215

Grid LI

$1,239,232

$400,000

$1,547,504

$3,186,736

Grid NY

$10,120,631

$1,200,000

$30,246,482

$41,567,113

Grid U

$40,024,801

$26,900,000

$33,179,25

$100,104,055

NYSEG

$5,834,817

$800,000

$15,162,655

$21,797,472

ORE&G

$1,639,725

$2,198,980

$3,838,705

PSEG

$9,803,606

$9,803,606

RG&E

$9,047,183

$800,000

$18,899,037

$28,746,220

Other Utilities

$622,569

Total Assistance

$250,000,001

$37,100,000

$280,583,013

$567,683,014

Utility

Average Arrears Per Customer

Share of Utility Customers in Arrears

Consolidated Edison

$2,162

13.0%

National Grid Upstate

$1,620

14.9%

Public Service Electric Group (LIPA)

$1,354

10.5%

Orange and Rockland

$1,319

8.6%

National Grid Long Island

$1,153

8.7%

National Grid New York

$986

16.6%

Rochester Gas and Electric

$954

9.3%

National Fuel Group

$764

10.8%

Central Hudson

$726

14.7%

New York State Electric and Gas

$603

9.2%

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The NYS Solution (so far) give away billions more of state taxpayers funds to prop up uncollectible monopoly Utility bills Rather than fix it with renewable energy finally? The sun and wind don’t have yearly price increases for dirty fossil fuels!

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I am writing regarding the New York Power Authority's ("NYPA") October 8, 2024 Renewables Strategic Plan ("Strategic Plan").

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**First Name:** Michael

**Last Name:** Roytburd

**Comments:** Dear Governor Hochul and Mr. Driscoll,

As a long-time New Yorker, born and raised in the beautiful Capital District, and a long-time resident of bustling New York City, I™m scared. I™m scared because the climate crisis is no longer a distant threat”it's here, and its effects are felt more and more each year. From record-breaking hurricanes and devastating flooding to increasing wildfires and heat waves, it's clear that New York, like the rest of the world, is facing unprecedented challenges. What scares me most is that, despite the urgency of the situation, we are not moving fast enough to prevent even worse outcomes for future generations.

As we confront these intensifying impacts, New York State must act decisively to meet the climate goals set by the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) of 2019. We are at a crossroads, where the decisions we make today will determine whether we can mitigate the worst effects of climate change and build a more resilient, sustainable future. Yet, the recent draft strategic plan for the New York Power Authority (NYPA) falls far short of the scale required to meet the CLCPA's 70% renewable electricity target by 2030 and 100% by 2040.

Governor Hochul, your leadership has been instrumental in advancing clean energy initiatives in New York, from spearheading the ConnectALL initiative to supporting the growth of renewable energy and expanding transmission projects. You have shown a commitment to ensuring that New York is a leader in addressing climate change, creating green jobs, and promoting energy equity. As our state's leader, you understand that the transition to a clean, renewable energy economy is not just about reducing emissions”it's about ensuring economic justice, public health, and resilience for every New Yorker.

Mr. Driscoll, under your leadership, NYPA has made impressive strides toward clean energy goals, including transformative transmission projects and partnerships with major institutions to install solar and storage. Your focus on innovative energy solutions has undoubtedly brought New York closer to its climate targets, and your continued leadership will be critical in ensuring we achieve the full decarbonization that New Yorkers demand.

However, we are still not on track to meet the necessary scale of investment in renewable energy to ensure New York's future sustainability. NYPA's current plan proposes only 3.5 gigawatts (GW) of renewable energy by 2030”a far cry from the 15 GW that we urgently need to meet CLCPA goals. This will not be enough to address growing demand, especially in communities downstate and in the Hudson Valley, nor will it fulfill the promise of equitable, green jobs and a clean energy future.

To truly lead the way in renewable energy, I urge you to increase the planned capacity to at least 15 GW of renewable energy by 2030, in line with the demands of New Yorkers and the NY State AFL-CIO, the Building Trades Council, and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW). This would represent a bold commitment to the future of our state, generating not only clean energy but also good-paying union jobs, and meeting the needs of the most vulnerable communities.

In addition to the total capacity, I encourage you to consider the following key revisions to NYPA's strategic plan:

Increase planned capacity to at least 15 GW to meet the goals of the CLCPA and ensure a just transition for all workers and communities.
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Redirect economic development funds from multinational corporations to fund renewable energy projects, reducing the financial burden on New York residents while advancing our climate goals.

Hold additional public hearings in underserved regions of the state, such as Central New York and the North Country, to ensure that every community has a voice in the energy transition.
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I look forward to your leadership in making New York a place where innovation, climate action, and social justice go hand in hand.

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**Last Name:** Aldridge

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**First Name:** Marina

**Last Name:** Metalios

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I was heartened by our historic 2019 Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act. It made NY the most pathbreaking of states! But where is the effort from you -- YOU -- to make sure we meet the CLCPA targets of 70% renewable electricity by 2030 and 100% by 2040?

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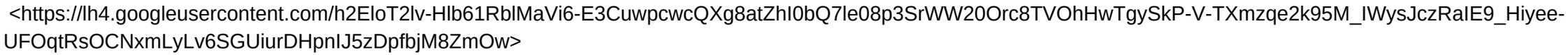
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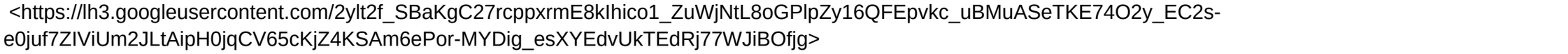
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**First Name:** Molly

**Last Name:** Salas

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Do it for the future of our state and our lives!
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**Comments:** Dear Ms. Cathy Hochul and Mr. Justin Driscoll,
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It's embarassing to be an American amongst European brands who are actively working together (instead of against) their government to build sustainable action into their legislation within the next 3 years.

While the demands within the textile sector sound impossible, this is only because I am an American whose leaders place value on profit for corporation's executive above its employees, the community, the environment and literally all else. Every European company representative I've spoken to is embracing this moment as an opportunity for necessary growth. Yes, it will be challenging by isn't that what business moguls are always telling us? That the greatest successes come through hard work and struggle?

At a time when our country faces great uncertainty with questionable leaders in the highest positions, it is this narrow window New Yorkers have to take responsibility to do good for our state, the country, and the world. 3.5 GW is not nearly enough to make a change. We demand 15 GW renewable energy projects by 2030 as the bare minimum.

Thank you for your time,
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**First Name:** tim

**Last Name:** kramer

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My takeaways from the 11/21/24 call, is that you should call this “WOKE ENERGY” and I will explain why;

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**First Name:** Hannah

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To: Scherer, Anna
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]Testimony

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Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 10:29 AM
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Senior Vice President of Policy and Regulatory Affairs

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From: Sara Gronim
Sent: Wednesday, December 4, 2024 11:53 AM
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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Testimony/TestimonyNYPADec4Gronim.pdf

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**First Name:** Caleb

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Very best,
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**First Name:** Scherer,

**Last Name:** Anna

**Comments:**

From: Roefaro, Mario
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 10:46 AM

To: White, Karen
Subject: Fw: [EXTERNAL]letter of support from Town of Massena

Anna,

Can we please have this filed for comments today.

Thanks!

Get Outlook for iOS <https://aka.ms/o0ukef>

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Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 10:43 AM
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From: Susan Bellor Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 8:33 AM

To: White, Karen
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Hi Karen,

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Thanks a lot for crafting it so well!

Kind regards,

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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/letter_of_support_from_Town_of_Massena/Town of Massena Letter of Support December 5 2024docx signed.pdf

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**First Name:** Kristin

**Last Name:** Coleman

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Cc: Erika Bentley
Subject: [EXTERNAL]FW: PEP Comments on NYPA Renewables Strategic Plan

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**First Name:** James

**Last Name:** Scarcella

**Comments:** _____

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Dear people , thank you for sending us the NY Draft Renewables Strategic plan .
The following are our comments :

Thank you for workforce training initiatives, esp. related to boosting people at NYCHA Developments, please raise this from $75,000 to $125,000 .

We applaud your efforts to decarbonize small natural gas facilities by 2030.
We need more of the replaced/improved transmission of electricity , perhaps asking our legislators and elected officials
can help raise awareness on LED and conservation measures. NYC has instituted Local Law 97 to attempt to conserve and better utilize existing energy .

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Our energy supply and distribution is critical infrastructure

We are deeply disappointed that hydrogen energy is completely left out of this plan. please include an update about hrydrogen as an energy source.

thank you.

Jim Scarcella, Natural Resources Protective Association , Staten Island , NY

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**First Name:** Kristopher

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**Comments:** _____

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My name is Dr. Kristopher Burrell and I am a full-time faculty member at CUNY's Hostos Community College in the Behavioral and Social Sciences Department. We are located in the South Bronx, the poorest congressional district in the U.S. Residents of this district and our students are the victims of the poor air quality that high polluting plants cause in our neighborhood. It should not surprise most that 2 of the approximately 20 New York City-based highly polluting peaker plants are located practically in our "backyard." These peaker plants contribute to the high asthma rates we see in residents of the South Bronx including many of our students and their families. The peaker plants also contribute climate change by producing typically double the amount of the greenhouse gas CO2.

As part of the effort to make New York State greener, these plants need to be shut down as has been promised. NYS's CLCPA, passed in 2019, requires us to be 70% reliant on renewable energy sources by 2030 and 100% reliant by 2040. We are very far from reaching these goals and we are running out of time. The Build Public Renewables Act (BPRA) which the Public Power NY coalition passed in 2023 with early support from PSC-CUNY and NYSUT plus other unions in the NY State Federation of Labor, requires the public-owned NY Power Authority (NYPA) to fill the gap left by private corporations in building renewable energy to meet the state's goals. Over 70% of the private contractors have reneged on their contracts leaving NYPA as the only agency to reach those important state goals.

The recently proposed NYPA Strategic Plan offering only an increase of 3.5 Gigawatts in the next 2 years puts us even further behind. We should be aiming for the addition of at least 15 Gigawatts to keep pace with these goals. And not enough is being done in NYC where only one renewable energy project has been proposed. CUNY, as a public entity with over 300 buildings, and other public buildings in NYC and upstate, should be capitalizing on moneys obtainable via the federal IRA and NYS' BPRA to become decarbonized. NYPA should be working with us to install solar paneling, utilize geothermal energy, etc. as well as have work done in the building infrastructure so as to become more energy efficient. This work would reduce CUNY's energy costs, which are paid by NYC/NYS and would significantly decrease CUNY's carbon footprint.  That would benefit all of us, for sure, and even help boost the economy by providing thousands of green jobs in the state. Given the recent federal election results, it behooves New York and other U.S. states to lead in fighting climate change.

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I am clean energy coach with New Yorkers for Clean Power. I am a public educator at Wallkill Senior High School. My daughter deserves a better world. My students deserves a better world.
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**Last Name:** Salzinger

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**First Name:** Dimitri

**Last Name:** Akrivos

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Sincerely,
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You know and I know that climate change is the most pressing problem mankind currently faces. We both also know that 15 GW of renewable energy isn't enough to successfully solve the problem or climate change or even New York State's contribution to it. We also know that ultimately 15 GW is a bare minimum start to begin addressing our states contribution to climate change. So please just act based on what every single person in the entire state knows to be true and comply with the law requiring 15 GW of renewables by 2030.

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**First Name:** Daniel

**Last Name:** Chen

**Comments:** Hi, I'm writing to you as a resident of Alphabet City. I've witnessed firsthand the effects of climate change on my neighborhood in the wake of flooding from Hurricane Sandy. And the loss of valuable green space as the sea wall construction continues along the East River. Furthermore, the ConEd peaker plant keeps polluting our neighborhood.

I attended a public hearing on Nov 20th and I appreciate NYPA taking the time to hear feedback from the residents of this city. I would like to add my comment to their passionate testimonials and the thousands of existing comments to commit to the promise and law of the Build Public Renewables Act. Now, more than ever, we need decisive action to combat climate change and NYPA has the opportunity to deliver on a better future we all deserve. I am writing to ask that the total planned energy capacity be increased to at least 15 GW and for a detailed plan for phaseout of NYPA's peaker plants.

Thank you,
Daniel

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**First Name:** Elizabeth

**Last Name:** Schad

**Comments:** I am writing to comment on the Strategic Plan as it relates to the implementation of the Build Public Renewables Act. I urge NYPA to develop a plan to produce 15 gigawatts of public renewable energy by 2030, to carry out this law and to meet the goals set in the CLCPA. While NYPA has expressed concern about the state credit rating, it's not clear how that would weigh against the enormous cost of NOT building 15 gigawatts of public renewables by 2030. Increased exposure to climate hazards will be devastating, economically and socially, to our state. It's no longer a matter of whether or not we will act; it's a matter of how fast we will act, and to what degree. It would be an abdication of responsibility to purposefully avoid an ambitious target for public renewable energy production. The science is clear. The cost of producing less than 15 gigawatts by 2030 is unthinkable. We owe it to future generations.

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**First Name:** Jonathan

**Last Name:** Arancio

**Comments:** Hi,

I appreciate all the efforts that our state government invests into advancing the development of renewable energy.  I would like to see the state step in where companies are not yet able to generate a profit in commercializing renewable energy.  In particular I would like to see NYS develop geothermal energy options as a long term solution to access to consistent green energy.  I feel this would best develop jobs for the future, using skills that already exist in the current oil and gas industries.  Localizing these in our state helps develop our economy and helps our environment.  I think the geothermal industry needs help getting started, but will evolve into the most reliable long term solution.

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**First Name:** Julien

**Last Name:** Leitner

**Comments:** As a New Yorker concerned about the effects of climate change on our health and safety, I strongly urge the NYPA to build a minimum of 15 gigawatts of renewable energy by 2030, as required by law under the Build Public Renewables Act.

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**First Name:** Karen

**Last Name:** Chamberlain

**Comments:** I am happy to learn and participate

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**First Name:** Liza

**Last Name:** Kent

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**First Name:** Luisella

**Last Name:** Reyes

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**First Name:** Mariah

**Last Name:** Ralph

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**First Name:** Rob

**Last Name:** Collison

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**Submit Date:** 12/08/2024 11:31:00 AM

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**Last Name:** Dawley

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**Last Name:** Thompson

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To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for soliciting public comment on the NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan. I am an independent writer and researcher on the electric power sector and on public power in particular. I would like to raise three points in this comment.

First, the portfolio of 3.5 GW of potential projects is a surprising achievement. Public servants at NYPA should be commended for the incredible progress they've made carrying out their new expanded authority to build renewables, especially given the fact they started from scratch entering this already-mature field. Moreover, the Draft Strategic Plan is filled with critical information on financial and legal concerns that would benefit public power authorities across the nation.

Second, to advance its Strategic Plan while also making a massive contribution to decarbonizing New York City's power, NYPA should investigate taking over the Clean Path NY transmission project whose contract with the state was recently cancelled [1]. Since NYPA was already a minority partner in the project; since the constituent wind and solar projects already have permits and/or steel in the ground; since some of those projects may already be part of NYPA's current portfolio; since NYPA has decades of expertise designing, building, and operating transmission lines; and since, critically, the viability of the project always depended on NYPA's Blenheim-Gilboa pumped hydro storage facility, NYPA would be the natural entity to see it through as part of state energy needs.

To take over Clean Path NY, NYPA would surely need to directly enter into a Tier 4 REC contract with NYSERDA, rather than merely bidding on such a contract against other competitors in some prospective new auction process. Directly contracting with NYSERDA is exactly the key capability that NYPA identified in its September comments on the biennial review of the state's Clean Energy Standard [2].

Notably, it would not be the first time NYPA stepped in to take over, complete, own, and operate a power project that was essential to the state's energy system. In 1975 NYPA acquired from Con Edison, with assistance from the legislature, the partially built Unit 3 of the Indian Point nuclear power plant outside New York City and operated it until its sale in 2000 [3].

Third, as revealed in the state's recent Future Energy Economy Summit [4], advanced nuclear will prove essential for the reliability and decarbonization of the state's power system. Though the expanded authority does not include it, NYPA should seek to partner with other entities on advanced nuclear. Particular partners could include fellow public power authorities Ontario Power Generation and the Tennessee Valley Authority, the former being NYPA's partner in the original hydropower project, on their small modular reactor collaboration [5].

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**First Name:** Matt

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To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for soliciting public comment on the NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan. I would like to raise three points in this comment.

First, the portfolio of 3.5 GW of potential projects is a surprising achievement. Public servants at NYPA should be commended for the incredible progress they've made carrying out their new expanded authority to build renewables, especially given the fact they started from scratch entering this already-mature field. Moreover, the Draft Strategic Plan is filled with critical information on financial and legal concerns that would benefit public power authorities across the nation.

Second, to advance its Strategic Plan while also making a massive contribution to decarbonizing New York City's power, NYPA should investigate taking over the Clean Path NY transmission project whose contract with the state was recently cancelled [1]. Since NYPA was already a minority partner in the project; since the constituent wind and solar projects already have permits and/or steel in the ground; since some of those projects may already be part of NYPA's current portfolio; since NYPA has decades of expertise designing, building, and operating transmission lines; and since, critically, the viability of the project always depended on NYPA's Blenheim-Gilboa pumped hydro storage facility, NYPA would be the natural entity to see it through as part of state energy needs.

To take over Clean Path NY, NYPA would surely need to directly enter into a Tier 4 REC contract with NYSERDA, rather than merely bidding on such a contract against other competitors in some prospective new auction process. Directly contracting with NYSERDA is exactly the key capability that NYPA identified in its September comments on the biennial review of the state's Clean Energy Standard [2].

Notably, it would not be the first time NYPA stepped in to take over, complete, own, and operate a power project that was essential to the state's energy system. In 1975 NYPA acquired from Con Edison, with assistance from the legislature, the partially built Unit 3 of the Indian Point nuclear power plant outside New York City and operated it until its sale in 2000 [3].

Third, as revealed in the state's recent Future Energy Economy Summit [4], advanced nuclear will prove essential for the reliability and decarbonization of the state's power system. Though the expanded authority does not include it, NYPA should seek to partner with other entities on advanced nuclear. Particular partners could include fellow public power authorities Ontario Power Generation and the Tennessee Valley Authority, the former being NYPA's partner in the original hydropower project, on their small modular reactor collaboration [5].

Sincerely,
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**First Name:** Ry

**Last Name:** Zhu

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The following is a message from Public Power NY that I support wholeheartedly because they have been doing great work on pushing for more renewables.

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To the New York Power Authority:

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the increasing reliance on wind and solar power in New York State. While renewable energy sources are important, I believe that prioritizing them over more reliable, efficient alternatives like nuclear and hydropower can undermine the state's energy stability and affordability.

Reliability and Economic Concerns
Electricity needs to remain both reliable and affordable to ensure businesses can stay open and residents can afford their energy bills. Wind and solar power, while environmentally friendly, face inherent limitations. As they become larger shares of the energy grid, their economic viability declines due to their intermittent nature. They generate surplus energy when it's not needed and insufficient energy when demand is high, which necessitates expensive backup sources. To mitigate this unreliability, the energy system would require a massive increase in physical infrastructure, including land, longer transmission lines, large-scale storage solutions, and mining for the materials required to produce and maintain these technologies.

Furthermore, the cost of wind turbine installations has risen significantly due to disruptions in global supply chains and the increasing prices of essential minerals. This further complicates the economic feasibility of wind power.

Environmental and Health Impacts
Wind power projects also have significant negative effects on the environment and public health, especially in rural areas. In Western New York, which already relies on 90-100% carbon-free energy through hydroelectric and nuclear power, large-scale wind projects would disrupt valuable ecosystems. For example, one wind project in five towns would require clearing 1,550 acres of carbon-absorbing trees, fragmenting 1,680 acres of forest, and clearing additional land for access roads and electrical corridors. Is it truly beneficial for the environment to sacrifice these forests in the name of “green” energy? Is it worth all this impact to the environment and health of residents in this state to generate about 20%  of electricity from wind, compared to 98% for nuclear power?

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The Case for Nuclear Energy
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Conclusion
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New York should prioritize energy solutions that benefit both residents and the environment while ensuring the state's economic vitality. Nuclear energy is an essential part of this solution, and it’s time for the state to consider it more seriously.

Thank you for your attention to these critical issues.

Sincerely,
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My mandate as a public school teacher is to prepare my students for the future. NYPA's mandate in this moment must be to prepare the future for my students. 15 gigawatts now,  thank you.

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**First Name:** Pauline

**Last Name:** Beam

**Comments:** My name is Pauline Beam. I am a 73 year old retired nurse with chronic heart and lung conditions. I live in Brooklyn, NY,  zip code 11215. For the last several summers, air quality alerts and dangerous heat waves have forced me to remain inside, physically inactive, and socially isolated for weeks at a time.

I live about 1.5 miles from the Joseph J. Seymour Power Project, a gas-fired peaker plant owned by the New York Power Authority. Peaker plants are very polluting.  During periods of high electricity demand, this plant contributes to the toxic air that sickens me and many others. Moreover, the greenhouse gasses that Seymour Power emits exacerbate global warming, leading to more frequent and more severe heat waves.

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Sincerely,
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**First Name:** Cade

**Last Name:** Williams

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**Comments:** Dr. Governor Hochul and Mr. Driscoll,

My name is John Willis and I live in Flatbush, Brooklyn.

I am writing to you to urge you to expand NYPA's strategic plan to include 15 gigawatts of public renewables; to include at least 5 gigawatts of renewables for downstate New Yorkers; to shut down dirty peaker plants by 2030 as required by law; to redirect economic development funds from large corporations and towards renewable energy development; to fully decarbonize our public schools; and to do all of this while prioritizing green union jobs.

Just a few weeks ago, I walked outside to the smell of wildfire smoke in the air. Prospect Park ” my favorite place in this city and a place of deep respite for me and my dog ” was on fire due to an unprecedented drought caused by climate change. As a young person who cares deeply about protecting our beautiful world from the climate crisis, I felt deeply unsettled and extremely anxious that such a sacred place of mine was ablaze. As an asthmatic, it also meant I couldn™t go outside for a week due to other wildfires burning in New Jersey and Connecticut.

These fires aren™t normal. They™re not okay. We know why they™re happening: because we won't stop burning fossil fuels. And the only way to ensure they will not grow

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My passion for fighting the climate crisis drove me to attend a NYPA public hearing recently touting NYPA's strategic plan to build public renewables, and I was appalled by the inadequacy of NYPA's current plans under Mr. Driscoll's leadership.

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It would seem that the current strategic plan was written without awareness that NYPA is associated with the state of New York and not Boulder or Helsinki, because it is woefully inadequate in its ambitions to deploy clean, renewable energy at the scale we need to stop the wildfires that have been literally burning our city and state down over the last month.

Meeting the carbon emissions reductions set out by New York law requires far more than a paltry 3.5 gigawatts of renewables to be built by 2030. 3.5 gigawatts just isn™t enough, and that isn™t just a matter of my opinion. It's the law. The NEW YORK law. And our New York public officials need to drastically expand their ambitions for building public renewables.

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**Comments:** The CLCPA and Build Public Renewables Act were passed because New Yorkers demanded that our government treat the climate crisis with the urgency it deserves. But rather than listen to New Yorkers and obey her legal commitments, Kathy Hochul is choosing to to obey the right-wing billionaires who really run Albany, who profit off the climate crisis and who were overjoyed when Donald Trump was reelected. Hochul isn't leading the charge against these climate arsonists. She is their accomplice. That's why she appointed Justin Driscoll, a Republican corporate lobbyist, to make sure that NYPA can't do the job it legally has to do.
Building only 3.5 gigawatts is not a good start. It is a failure and a betrayal. We need Hochul to stop doing Trump's job for him by sending us full-speed into the climate crisis.

We need NYPA to lead. We need 15 gigawatts.

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**Comments:** It is imperative that NYPA build out and help develop as much renewable energy as possible as fast as possible. NYPA's plan should triple the amount of renewable energy proposed.  This could be done by aggressively developing off shore and on shore wind farms on Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, deploying solar panels on all the hazardous waste sites deployed around the state and especially in Western New York, and requiring private companies that benefit from cheap hydro power from NYPA to install solar panels and other renewable energy generators at the locations where they are receiving the power.  NYPA should also help with building transmission lines to bring power from the places where it's being generated upstate into NYC.  Most of the opposition to renewables is being agitated and supported by fossil fuel interests that promote lies and misinformation about renewable energy to scare the public.  With the urgent need to change course demanded by climate change and recognized in the NYS Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA) it is hoped that NYPA will  greatly expand its generation of wind, solar and other non-fossil fuel energy sources.

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**First Name:** Hiroko

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**Comments:** Thank you for taking the time to consider our comment. First, there's an error on the Future Project map on page 36. H1 is showed multiple times. At least in the North Country, I believe our H1 is supposed to be H4.

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New York has a responsibility to fight climate change swiftly. It's up to you, or we face weather disasters and other dire effects from the climate crisis.

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Sincerely,
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**First Name:** Michael

**Last Name:** Menser

**Comments:** _____

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My name is Dr. Michael Menser and I am an Associate Professor at Brooklyn College/CUNY have been at CUNY as a student, staff and/or faculty for more than 30 years. My main request to you today with respect to the Strategic plan is to put CUNY in it. As of now It is not.

My campus is one of the three CUNY campuses which are part of the Decarbonization Leadership plan which NYPA is leading. BC is working with your consultant Ramboll which just completed a report assessing the energy use and energy infrastructure of our college. Next you and they are to work with BC and CUNY to develop a plan to create projects to help reduce emissions and pollution and increase the energy efficiency of our buildings. We are very excited to be part of this, especially because many of the buildings on our campus are approaching 90 years old and in need of basic upgrades as well as more sophisticated retrofits to make our buildings not only energy efficient but also healthy and safe. I am in such a building, Boylan Hall and in my office I have a picture of Pres. FDR and Mayor Laguardia on my campus for the opening of my building and several others which were funded by the New Deal and built with workers from the Works Progress Administration. But my building, like so many across CUNY and across NY city and NY state, may look good on the outside but on the inside is poorly insulated, mold prone, hot in summer, and cold in winter. Indeed Boylan Hall has been in such bad shape HVAC wise is part of the reason our cafeteria has not fully reopened since 2020.

We need the NYPA strategic plan to be ambitious and funded to make our buildings safe and protect the health of the students, staff and faculty who work in them. We need

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**Submit Date:** 12/09/2024 08:47:00 AM

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**First Name:** Mary

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Thanks so much for the $50 million. Sorry we need so much more to save our power plant while we do our part to help save the planet. Thank you

Mary Pearson
Riverbay Board Director
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LL 97 Carbon Reduction Work Group member.

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To Whom It May Concern,

Thank you for soliciting public comment on the NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan. It has been a pleasant surprise to see New York public employees take this seriously.

First, the portfolio of 3.5 GW of potential projects is a surprising achievement. Public servants at NYPA should be commended for the incredible progress they've made carrying out their new expanded authority to build renewables, especially given the fact they started from scratch entering this already-mature field. Moreover, the Draft Strategic Plan is filled with critical information on financial and legal concerns that would benefit public power authorities across the nation.

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Notably, it would not be the first time NYPA stepped in to take over, complete, own, and operate a power project that was essential to the state's energy system. In 1975 NYPA acquired from Con Edison, with assistance from the legislature, the partially built Unit 3 of the Indian Point nuclear power plant outside New York City and operated it until its sale in 2000 [3].

Third, as revealed in the state's recent Future Energy Economy Summit [4], advanced nuclear will prove essential for the reliability and decarbonization of the state's power system. Though the expanded authority does not include it, NYPA should seek to partner with other entities on advanced nuclear. Particular partners could include fellow public power authorities Ontario Power Generation and the Tennessee Valley Authority, the former being NYPA's partner in the original hydropower project, on their small modular reactor collaboration [5].

Sincerely,
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That's why I am calling upon you to see to it that New York builds 15 gigawatts of new, publicly owned renewables by 2030, as contemplated by the Build Public Renewables Act. It is abundantly clear that we cannot count on the new administration in Washington to be anything other than a hindrance. Now is the time for far-sighted leadership in the State of New York. Let your bold steps to address the climate crisis be your legacy for the State, the country and the world.

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**First Name:** Brendan

**Last Name:** Hogan

**Comments:** _____

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lack of private investment in the NYBPRA.
This is truly a ‘build it and they will come’ moment.

Find a crucially necessary public good,
take a seeming risk from the financial perspective (bond rating),
hire union labor / site projects in visible areas (more NYC sites would be wise),
put the state’s name all over all of the projects to show who is responsible,
build a political coalition of the people committed to sustainability and the workers who are delivering it ,
generate market competition by demonstrating to the private sector these projects work,
help stem climate change,

rinse and repeat.

Thanks for your consideration,
Dr. Brendan Hogan

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**First Name:** Manna

**Last Name:** Jo Greene

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**First Name:** Josh

**Last Name:** Berman

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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Sierra_Club_NYPA_Renewables_Strategic_Plan_comments/2024_12_09_Sierra_Club_NYPA_Renewables_Strategy_Comments.pdf

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**First Name:** Jenni

**Last Name:** Rein-Sharpe

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Hi, I'm not sure if it's too late to send this message but - my name is Jenni Rein, I live in Manhattan and am a proud alumna of City College/CUNY. I have asthma and the brush fires in Palisades Park and Inwood made me sick although I had all windows closed taped and the air purifiers working in full force. For the sake of our health and the generation that is coming I want NYPA to dramatically increase its draft proposal and to build 15 GW of renewable energy instead of the 3.5 GW in its proposed plan. According to COP29, NYC has the third poorest air quality in the world.  NYPA must ensure enough renewable energy in NYC. Thank you.

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**Submit Date:** 12/09/2024 11:44:00 AM

**First Name:** Kate

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Thank you!

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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Ulster_County_Executive_Metzger_NYPA_Comments/Metzger_Comments_NYPA_Renewables_Draft_Strategic_Plan.pdf

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The current implementation of large-scale renewable energy projects is deeply flawed, counterproductive, and unfair. In its rush to address the climate crisis, which is real, New York State is causing needless divisions, opposition to renewable energy in general, and loss of trust in state government. It is also a threat to our land, homes, and neighborly relations across our rural communities.

Recommended Actions to NYPA:

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farm, made up of 20 turbines installed and managed by ENEL- North America. ENEL worked with Fenner for several years of careful negotiations to design a project that would benefit homeowners and the town, have minimal environmental impact, and sited away from areas where there is clustered housing. This successful project should be a model for New York State. Liberty Renewables and Cypress Creek engaged in no such process for their current proposed project.
2.The companies have disregarded our town's 10-year strategic plan or zoning laws, nor do they respect our town's elected leadership. Liberty Renewables and Cypress Creek have told people that their project is a "done deal" and therefore they "better get on board" and make some money. They are relying on the fact that New York took away "home rule" and gave power to the Office of Renewable Energy Siting (ORES) to override the wishes of local governments. In other words, they concluded that no negotiations were needed.

3. Fenner is already contributing to the common good of New York with its 20 wind turbines and with the approval for five more. The burden of providing renewable energy to the state should rest with all towns and counties. One town should not have to bear the inordinate burden of this need. These two new projects would change the entire landscape of Fenner forever. It would no longer be a rural farm and residential town but rather an industrial energy conglomerate. Respect for all parties and a balanced approach is needed and is not happening.

4. The size and scope of these new projects are massive. Liberty Renewables' turbines are 677.5 feet tall – over twice the size of the current ENEL turbines, and, we understand, are an untested model that is usually used offshore. Imagine having structures taller than the St. Louis Arch or twice the height of Syracuse's State Tower skyscraper in your front yard. They are proposing 24 turbines of this size stretching across Fenner, Nelson, Smithfield and Eaton, with half of these to be located in the middle of 125 homes in Fenner. They wlightsabove us, wrap around our homes, and flash their lights and flicker continuously on the hills above us. Some turbines are a quarter mile from our homes.

5. National real-estate surveys tell us that the loss in property values of our homes would be anywhere between 25% and 75%. In other words, it will be almost impossible to sell our homes in the shadow of these huge turbines. The latest national survey (funded by the US Dept of Energy and Wind Turbine Tech Dec. 2023) estimates a loss of 11% in home value for houses within one mile of a turbine. Liberty Renewables turbines are a quarter or half mile from our homes.

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7. The impact on the physical environment would be huge including: gigantic concrete foundations, noise from the blades, constant red flicker lights, a network of access roads, access power lines, a substation, a meteorological tower, an aircraft detection lighting system and an operations and maintenance facility. In addition to the enormous and lengthy disruption during construction, there will be crews of people working all the time, truck traffic and the undermining of farms and fields. No one moved to Fenner to live amid an industrial energy park.

8. Environmental studies have been done on large turbines' flicker, bird migration, visual pollution, and more, but none of these studies have been shared with our residents. When asked at a town board meeting last year what the impact of the concrete footing would be, including the toxic leaching into our water, how deep, and how they would be removed when the turbines reach their natural lifespan of 15 years, no solid answers could be given by the Liberty Renewables' representatives. ALL FENNER RESIDENTS ARE ON WELL WATER. Our research shows that the concrete footings will be at least 30 feet deep to accommodate the massive size of the turbines, and would never be removed, rendering the land unusable forever.

9. The Fenner Town Board recently held a hearing and voted to bar the installation of large-scale battery retention facilities in the town, because of the dangerous nature of these facilities due to the frequency of their catching fire. A fire in Fenner would be catastrophic due to the lack of a local fire department and the extensive forest and meadow lands that would be destroyed by an uncontrolled fire. We commend the Board for this safety-seeking action. We understand that this project contains the necessity for constructing such a facility in order to store power for transmission. Fenner is the wrong place for this project.

We all want renewable energy, but it must be done in a thoughtful and balanced way. This is NOT what is happening. The solution to the climate crisis must benefit everyone, not just a few, for it to be a "true" solution. We in the neighborhood are not benefitting. Many neighbors are scared and angry about what is being done to us. A neighbor that signed a lease from Liberty Renewables attended their open house held in Fenner on October 22nd. When he heard the scope of the project he said, "I made a big mistake," and is now trying to cancel the lease. We are convinced that this project should not be built.

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Most of our citizens are supportive of large-scale renewable projects but the current developments are driving people away from supporting renewables and driving them out of our state.

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Please find attached the comments of the Stop Energy Sprawl coalition.

Thank you, in advance, for your thoughtful consideration,.

Stephen Helmin, President
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CC: Residents, Media, Local Government

We are New Yorkers, FURIOUS, OUTRAGED and deeply troubled by the destructive path your energy policies are paving for the hardworking families and businesses of our state.

I need to remind you and all others about the NY Buffalo Bills! Hochul's husband William Hochul’s client! They Received huge NY tax breaks AND vendor perks to use natural gas at their stadium!

The 2024 New York State Energy Plan and your climate agenda, while cloaked in rhetoric about sustainability and equity, mask the detrimental impact they will have on our middle class, manufacturing industries, and energy affordability. Your actions suggest a stark disconnect between your stated goals and the reality New Yorkers are facing.

Your administration’s aggressive push for electrification and decarbonization under the guise of combating climate change is riddled with contradictions. While you promote the banning of natural gas appliances and mandate costly electric vehicle adoption, your policies directly undermine the economic well-being of residents and businesses. The

energy plan’s substantial rate increases, coupled with your push for congestion pricing in New York City, are just more examples of how your administration is taxing working families into extinction. These initiatives will not only strain household budgets but also penalize commuters and small businesses that depend on transportation access, driving economic activity away from our state.

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Sincerely,

Chris Monahan

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**First Name:** Brennan

**Last Name:** Howell

**Comments:** Hello, my name is Brennan Howell. I™m an organizer with Public Power NY, and Capital District DSA. I need to tell NYPA that the current draft renewables strategic plan is unfortunately insufficient. Just this year NY has been hit by unprecedented droughts, flooding, and wildfires. In the face of a worsening climate crisis, New York cannot afford to fail its climate goals, and this proposal as is, would set us on track to fail.

3.5gw of renewables is not nearly enough for us to hit our CLCPA mandate of having 70% renewables by 2030. Even if this is the first tranche of projects, the expected attrition of some of these projects means that we™ll be playing catch up before we even begin. We need a much more ambitious draft proposal if we™re going to build at least 15 gw by 2030, which is what we need to hit our legal mandates.

I™m calling for this draft to include offshore wind projects. Offshore wind would be a reliable source of power, complementing the build-out of solar farms with strong ocean winds blowing at night. The port of Albany provides a prime location for development, and would bring good jobs to workers in the region.

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In the capital district there are 36,000 households considered energy burdened, paying more than 6% of their income on energy costs. With massive rate hikes on the horizon, New Yorkers need relief from their high utility costs. Thanks to the REACH program, the more revenue NYPA earns from renewable projects, the more economic relief they can provide to ratepayers. Building 15 gw, as opposed to just 3.5, will do THAT much more to help the people of New York.

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**First Name:** Hayden

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**Last Name:** Fried

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Best,

New York City Environmental Justice Alliance
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The POINT CDC
New York Lawyers for the Public Interest
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Daniel Chu  (he/him/they)

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**First Name:** Amy

**Last Name:** Ellis

**Comments:** _____

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Best regards,
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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or difficulty accessing the attached document.

Best regards,

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Senior Policy Manager | CCSA
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**First Name:** Noam

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Thank you,

Noam Bramson (he/him)
Executive Director
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**Last Name:** Laine

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Steve Swieciki

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To whom it may concern,
Please accept this public comment on the NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on the NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan. I am glad to see this planning moving forward, but I ask that NYPA increase its ambition and carry out additional projects beyond what's proposed in this first biennial plan. Public building of renewables is eminently preferable to private for so many reasons -- most vitally, its lack of focus on profit-making better ensures that projects won't be abandoned if profit margins deteriorate, and without the add-on profit costs, publicly built projects can be built with lower price tags, ensuring lower-cost energy generation for the life of the project's generating capacity.

I understand from the draft Strategic Plan, section 3.2.3.2, that despite a capacity to access low-cost bond-based financing, NYPA considers access to capital as the "primary limitation on the Power Authority's ability to deploy renewable generation."  It is, of course, appropriate for NYPA's board of trustees to take a prudent approach to raising capital. That said, it appears that NYPA has ample capacity to issue additional long-term debt responsibly through its revenue bond program. Fitch Ratings, for example, notes the Authority's "very low financial leverage" (emphasis added) in its September 2024 rating report.

The coverage ratio for NYPA's senior lien revenue bonds is indeed very high (in excess of 5x through its current four-year financial plan). In addition, NYPA's "fundamentals" are strong: it generates power at very low cost (the St. Lawrence-FDR and Niagara facilities, which together produce more than 50% of NYPA's power, are among the lowest-cost generation facilities in the US), it has uniformly strong balance sheet and operating metrics, and sells power at very competitive rates to a customer base that is largely "permanent" (governments, including New York City, account for over 80% of customer revenues).

Given that we are perched on the edge of climate catastrophe, and that NYPA’s financial metrics show wiggle room for bolder financial moves, and given that NYPA’s financial report for 2023 states that “the mission of the Power Authority is to lead the transition to a carbon-free, economically vibrant New York through customer partnerships, innovative energy solutions, and the responsible supply of affordable, clean, and reliable electricity" (emphasis added), I ask that NYPA consider all options to acquire the capital needed to ramp up the development of renewables and lead the transformation New York needs. These options need not be limited to engaging the financial markets. I encourage NYPA to also work with Bond Act administrators, the Governor and legislative leaders to acquire an appropriation to fund this work; terms could include an expectation of repayment through revenues from projects, once online.

NY renewable energy development goals are being thrown off track as private developers cancel projects. With adequate funding in place, please put in motion plans to take over as many of these projects as possible, most recently CleanPath NY, to keep New York's renewable energy development progress moving forward. These projects may not have been lucrative enough to please investors, but NYPA's capacity to access low-cost bond-based financing and lack of a profit-driven investor environment can help transform these projects into financially viable ones.

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I submit these comments in the context of having just spent two weeks as a delegate to COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan -- two weeks of hearing heart-wrenching reports of climate wreckage from Small Island Developing States (SIDS) and Least Developed Countries (LDCs) and extraordinarily sobering data from scientists. No one can experience a COP without emerging with a firm sense that we do not have the moral luxury to miss our emissions reductions targets here in New York, as NYSERDA and DPS predict we're on track to do (NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan pg 55). What we are doing here in New York is directly tied to current wreckage elsewhere in the world, and will derail our own future here if we do not ramp up the speed of our transition away from burning fossil fuels. We need NYPA to propel forward sufficient renewable energy development to get NY back on track to meet -- ideally exceed -- CLCPA requirements.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Dear New York Power Authority,

Please accept the attached written comments by New York Energy & Climate Advocates (NYECA) on NYPA's draft Renewables Strategic Plan.
To be included as part of the public record, I am also attaching oral comments that were provided at public hearings on the draft plan and an op-ed from me that was circulated by the Empire Report on December 3rd.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there are any questions or if I can be of further assistance. Thank you.

Keith Schue

New York Energy & Climate Advocates

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My name is Dr. Julie Trachman. I live in Brooklyn and I am a full-time faculty member at CUNY's Hostos Community College in the Natural Sciences Department. Hostos is in the South Bronx, the poorest U.S. congressional district. Two of the approximately 20 New York City-based peaker plants are located in close proximity to Hostos. As a result of the inefficient burning of fossil fuels, peaker plants produce large amounts of the PM2.5 pollutant and potentially 20 times the amount of the greenhouse gas, nitrogen oxide (NOx can lead to ground level ozone formation in hot, sunny weather when these plants are likeliest to operate). PM2.5, NOx and ozone contribute to the high asthma rates we see in South Bronx residents, many of whom are our students and their families. The peaker plants also further promote climate change by producing larger amounts of CO2.

As part of our efforts to make New York State (NYS) greener, these peaker plants need to be shut down as has been promised. In these last few months, we have seen the increased effects of climate change throughout the world. This includes: New York City where we have experienced a somewhat historic drought and wildfires this fall; the south and Midwest hit by increased numbers of tornadoes; more intense hurricanes making U.S. landfall; and the west coast pommeled more and more by so-called atmospheric rivers in the winter alternating with prolonged drought and wildfires in the summer. Like other parts of the world, the northeast is now seeing increased incidence of climate change related diseases such as the vector-borne babesiosis and Eastern equine encephalitis virus infections.

Passed in 2019, NYS's CLCPA, requires us to be 70% reliant on renewable energy sources by 2030 and 100% reliant by 2040. NYS is very far from reaching these goals and we are running out of time. The recently proposed NYPA Strategic Plan offers only a 3.5 Gigawatts increase in the next 2 years, which puts NYS even further behind. We should be aiming for the addition of at least 15 Gigawatts to keep pace with these goals. Furthermore, not enough is being done in NYC, where only one renewable energy project has been proposed. CUNY, a public entity with over 300 buildings and other public buildings in NYC and upstate, should be capitalizing on moneys obtainable via the federal IRA and NYS' BPRA, to become decarbonized. NYPA should be working with us to install solar paneling, to utilize geothermal energy, etc. as well as have work done in the building infrastructure so as to become more energy efficient. This work would reduce CUNY's energy costs, which are paid for by NYC/NYS and would significantly decrease CUNY's carbon footprint. All of us would benefit and this work would help boost the NYS/NYC economy by providing thousands of green jobs. Given the recent federal election results, NYS and other U.S. states need to lead our efforts to fight climate change as we needed to do years ago.

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**First Name:** Gary

**Last Name:** Abraham

**Comments:** According to the Intergovernmental Panel and Climate Change (IPCC), while the frequency of heat waves is increasing, rising levels of carbon dioxide in the global atmosphere have not resulted in detectable increases in hurricanes, floods, fire weather and other forms of climate devastation. See IPCC, Assessment Report 6, vol. 1 (The Science Basis), Table 12.12. Moreover, in IPCC's AR6, the Representative Concentration Pathway scenario 8.5 is no longer considered plausible. RPC 8.5 predicts global average temperature will increase by 6-8 degrees C by 2100, but AR6 states that under the most plausible scenario, the increase will be close to 2 degrees C and will begin to level off and decline by 2100. New York State has much more time to achieve its climate goals than climate activists insist with their shrill and wholly unsupported claim that time is running out. This is also no support for climate activists call to build more large-scale renewables. There is no evidence that significant emissions reductions have resulted or will result from the build-out of more renewables upstate. Renewables are awarded Renewable Energy Credits for each hour of power they deliver to the grid, but this has never been associated with a known level of emissions reduction. Before embarking on a new level of build-out of large-scale renewables, the State owes it to its citizens to provide a defensible study of environmental benefits of doing so. Otherwise, the credibility of the State's Energy Plan will be rightly questioned and support for any kind of climate action will be discredited.

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Council on Intelligent Energy & Conservation Policy (CIECP) and Promoting Health and Sustainable Energy (PHASE) Comments on NYPA Renewables Strategic Plan

Submitted Via email to:

The Council on Intelligent Energy & Conservation Policy (CIECP) and Promoting Health and Sustainable Energy (PHASE) support pursuit of the projects referenced by the New York Power Authority (NYPA) in the Renewables Strategic Plan.

However, much more coordinated and forceful action needs to be taken to ensure the State's transition to a truly clean, healthy, socially just and sustainable future.

The real tragedy is that New York has not promoted transition to a clean energy future by adequately investing in the future. Imagine if the more than $7 billion in subsidies provided to the state's aging and uncompetitive upstate nuclear reactors in 2016 had geed dedicated instead toward expanding college clean tech science, design, engineering and architecture studies or providing scholarships to low-income student interested in green energy careers. Imagine also if that $7 billion had been dedicated to revitalizing crumbling school buildings by refurbishing them to be more energy efficient and comfortable or planting thousands of carbon-dioxide absorbing trees on barren school grounds or putting solar panels on every flat-roofed campus building, etc.

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We agree with the key argument made by Public Power NY: NYPA must lead the way and build at least 15 GW of renewable energy by 2030. (Public Power NY) We are especially disappointed to note that

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(Public Power NY 2024)

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There is no longer any defensible argument for continuing to prop up extractive toxic forms of power.  The burden they impose – upon the environment, human health, and the climate – is now and will increasingly be untenable.  How many more radiation leaks and chemicals do we want streaming into our water supplies? How much more fission products and micro-particulates do we want our children to draw into their lungs and bloodstreams? How many more nuclear waste dumps, fracking-despoiled lands, Superfund sites, brownfields and hazard zones do we need? How many more cancers and neurological problems and developmental disorders and immune diseases are enough?

New York must cease all manner of support for highly-polluting forms of power.

The NYPA must make the decisions needed and marshal the resources available to accelerate the development of clean renewable energy, distributed generation, and smart end use.

New York Should Accelerate Adoption of and Energy Market Design Support for Renewable, Efficiency, Storage/Battery and Demand-Side Options

New York State is way behind where it needs to be in meeting the goals articulated in the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), including the mandate to achieve a 70% renewable energy grid by 2030.

NYPA can be instrumental in stepping up its efforts to support renewable projects already in the pipeline and incentivize the acceleration of renewable energy development and expansion.

Such an effort will obviously include increasing near-term procurement targets. It must also include giving a high priority to efficiency, reducing red tape, building out and increasing access to energy storage, and continued improvements of New York's electric grid's distribution system. There are many ways ideas advanced and smart models for decarbonization can be pulled together under a streamlined, user-friendly schema that is also versatile and adaptable.

We strongly support the points made by Strategen Consulting prepared for the Public Power New York Coalition and urge the NYPA to adopt its recommendations. (Strategen

2023)

The renewable energy revolution is here (Benham 2023; Bond 2024) and New York must act now to harness its power, not only to combat climate change and create a healthier environment, but to ensure the State become a leader in the renewable-based energy ecosystem – that includes finance, and workforce development.

The International Energy Agency's (IEA) Renewables 2024 report, issued in October 2024, finds renewable power capacity expected to surge over the rest of the decade with global additions on course to roughly equal the current total power capacity of China, the EU, India, and the US.  Key findings include:

*Solar PV and wind are now the cheapest options for adding new electricity generation in almost every country.
*By 2026, the IEA projects, wind and solar power generation will both surpass nuclear.
*The world is set to add more than 5,500 GW of new renewable capacity between 2024 and 2030.
*Cumulative renewable capacity is expected to reach almost 9,760 GW in 2030. (This is IEA's 'main case' forecast.)
*Global renewable capacity could reach almost 11,000 GW in 2030. (This is IEA's 'accelerated case' estimation. (In the US, this would require reducing long permitting timelines and stimulating investment in new grid capacity and flexible assets to unlock additional deployment.)
*Renewables are on course to generate close to 50% of the world's electricity (with solar and wind doubling to provide 30%) by 2030.
*Renewable capacity additions will continue to increase every year, reaching almost 940 GW annually by 2030.
*Solar PV and wind combined account for 95% of renewable capacity growth through the end of the decade, due to their growing economic attractiveness in almost all countries.
*Renewables are being deployed so fast that nearly 70 countries are poised to reach or surpass their current renewable targets for 2030.
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*Global solar manufacturing capacity is expected to surpass 1,100 GW by the end of 2040.
*Despite recent supply chain and macroeconomic challenges, the wind sector is poised for recovery. Compared with 2017-2023, IEA sees the rate of global wind capacity expansion doubling between 2024 and 2030.

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Submitted Via email to:

The Council on Intelligent Energy & Conservation Policy (CIECP) and Promoting Health and Sustainable Energy (PHASE) support pursuit of the projects referenced by the New York Power Authority (NYPA) in the Renewables Strategic Plan.

However, much more coordinated and forceful action needs to be taken to ensure the State’s transition to a truly clean, healthy, socially just and sustainable future.

The real tragedy is that New York has not promoted transition to a clean energy future by adequately investing in the future. Imagine if the more than $7 billion in subsidies provided to the state's aging and uncompetitive upstate nuclear reactors in 2016 had geed dedicated instead toward expanding college clean tech science, design, engineering and architecture studies or providing scholarships to low-income student interested in green energy careers. Imagine also if that $7 billion had been dedicated to revitalizing crumbling school buildings by refurbishing them to be more energy efficient and comfortable or planting thousands of carbon-dioxide absorbing trees on barren school grounds or putting solar panels on every flat-roofed campus building, etc.

The NYPA Should Plan for an Energy Future Without Heavily Polluting, Dangerous Fuel-Based Forms of Power Generation.

The Stone Age did not end for lack of stone, and the Oil Age will end long before the world runs out of oil.

This observation, interestingly, was made by a Saudi Arabian oil minister decades ago. Yet it serves to illustrate an important point.  Energy is largely a product of what is promoted.

We agree with the key argument made by Public Power NY: NYPA must lead the way and build at least 15 GW of renewable energy by 2030. (Public Power NY) We are especially disappointed to note that

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(Public Power NY 2024)

There is no longer any defensible argument for continuing to prop up extractive toxic forms of power. The burden they impose – upon the environment, human health, and the climate – is now and will increasingly be untenable. How many more radiation leaks and chemicals do we want streaming into our water supplies? How much more fission products and micro-particulates do we want our children to draw into their lungs and bloodstreams? How many more nuclear waste dumps, fracking-despoiled lands, Superfund sites, brownfields and hazard zones do we need? How many more cancers and neurological problems and developmental disorders and immune diseases are enough?

New York must cease all manner of support for highly-polluting forms of power.

The NYPA must make the decisions needed and marshal the resources available to accelerate the development of clean renewable energy, distributed generation, and smart end use.

New York Should Accelerate Adoption of and Energy Market Design Support for Renewable, Efficiency, Storage/Battery and Demand-Side Options

New York State is way behind where it needs to be in meeting the goals articulated in the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA), including the mandate to

achieve a 70% renewable energy grid by 2030.

NYPA can be instrumental in stepping up its efforts to support renewable projects already in the pipeline and incentivize the acceleration of renewable energy development and expansion.

Such an effort will obviously include increasing near-term procurement targets. It must also include giving a high priority to efficiency, reducing red tape, building out and increasing access to energy storage, and continued improvements of New York's electric grid's distribution system. There are many ways ideas advanced and smart models for decarbonization can be pulled together under a streamlined, user-friendly schema that is also versatile and adaptable.

We strongly support the points made by Strategen Consulting prepared for the Public Power New York Coalition and urge the NYPA to adopt its recommendations. (Strategen 2023)

The renewable energy revolution is here (Benham 2023; Bond 2024) and New York must act now to harness its power, not only to combat climate change and create a healthier environment, but to ensure the State become a leader in the renewable-based energy ecosystem – that includes finance, and workforce development.

The International Energy Agency's (IEA) Renewables 2024 report, issued in October 2024, finds renewable power capacity expected to surge over the rest of the decade with global additions on course to roughly equal the current total power capacity of China, the EU, India, and the US.  Key findings include:

*Solar PV and wind are now the cheapest options for adding new electricity generation in almost every country.
*By 2026, the IEA projects, wind and solar power generation will both surpass nuclear.
*The world is set to add more than 5,500 GW of new renewable capacity between 2024 and 2030.

*Cumulative renewable capacity is expected to reach almost 9,760 GW in 2030. (This is IEA's 'main case' forecast.)
*Global renewable capacity could reach almost 11,000 GW in 2030. (This is IEA's 'accelerated case' estimation. (In the US, this would require reducing long permitting timelines and stimulating investment in new grid capacity and flexible assets to unlock additional deployment.)
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*Renewables are being deployed so fast that nearly 70 countries are poised to reach or surpass their current renewable targets for 2030.
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Of the many areas of NYPA’s work named in this plan, BXEDC is particularly supportive of the planned phase-out of fossil fuel generation at NYPA’s small natural gas power plants (SNGPPs) in the Bronx by 2030. We urge NYPA to prioritize projects maximizing community benefits during this transition, including job creation, energy affordability, and robust community engagement.

Job Creation:

We applaud NYPA's investment in workforce development and training programs, such as the Clean Energy Workforce Training solicitation and the NYCHA Clean Energy Academy12. We strongly encourage the expansion of these programs to specifically target Bronx residents, providing them with the skills and opportunities to secure well-paying jobs in the growing renewable energy sector.

Specifically, BXEDC recommends that NYPA:

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Prioritize the hiring of Bronx residents for construction, operation, and maintenance jobs associated with new renewable energy projects in the borough.

Establish apprenticeship and mentorship programs to provide Bronx residents with on-the-job training and career advancement opportunities.

Energy Affordability:

The Bronx faces a high energy burden, with many residents struggling to afford their electricity bills. As NYPA transitions away from fossil fuels, it is crucial that the resulting energy solutions are affordable and accessible to all Bronx residents.

To address this, BXEDC urges NYPA to:

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Explore innovative financing mechanisms and rate structures that minimize the impact of renewable energy development on electricity rates for Bronx residents.

Community Engagement:

BXEDC strongly advocates for robust community engagement throughout the planning and implementation of clean energy projects in the Bronx. We believe that Bronx residents must have a voice in decisions that impact their communities and their energy future.

Therefore, BXEDC recommends that NYPA:

Conduct early and ongoing outreach to Bronx communities, providing clear and accessible information about proposed projects and their potential impacts.

Establish community advisory boards to provide input on project design, siting, and implementation.

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**AttachmentLinks:** https://www.nypa.gov/-/media/nypa/Renewables/Comments_on_NYPA_Strategic_Plan/NYPA_Plan_comments.docx

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**First Name:** Dagmar

**Last Name:** Weaver-Madsen

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**Last Name:** Neuhoffj

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TO Whom It May Concern,
Here is my NYPA Document Proposal.
Thank you very much,
Katherine Neuhoff

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**Last Name:** Bowen

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Hello,

Attached are the Adirondack Council’s comments for NYPA’s strategic plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment, and please let me know if you have any questions or issues opening the document.

Have a good night,

Jackie

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Jackie Bowen (she/her)

Director of Conservation

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**First Name:** Siraaj

**Last Name:** Dhru

**Comments:** Dear Governor Hochul,

Hope this message finds you well. I™m not the most familiar with the current plan for renewables in NY, but a loved one urged me to read up on what's happening and send this letter.

I™m deeply worried about the way New York is proceeding with renewables strategy so far.  The current plan seems like it will continue to rely on our old peaker plants to provide the surplus in energy NYC in particular needs in the summer.

I™m actually a recent MBA candidate so it's becoming clear to me why strategic goals are set this way, and what the complications migjt be with achieving 15 GW capacity, particularly when trying to balance the financial health of NYC.  But considering the alternatives and the anecdotal (but worrying) reports of people living near these plants, I think we need to come together and make a push to get this done.

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**First Name:** Caren

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I am writing as a furious and outraged New Yorker, deeply troubled by the destructive path your energy policies are paving for the hardworking families and businesses of our state. The 2024 New York State Energy Plan and your climate agenda, while cloaked in rhetoric about sustainability and equity, mask the detrimental impact they will have on our middle class, manufacturing industries, and energy affordability. Your actions suggest a stark disconnect between your stated goals and the reality New Yorkers are facing.

Your administration's aggressive push for electrification and decarbonization under the guise of combating climate change is riddled with contradictions. While you promote the banning of natural gas appliances and mandate costly electric vehicle adoption, your policies directly undermine the economic well-being of residents and businesses. The energy plan's substantial rate increases, coupled with your push for congestion pricing in New York City, are more examples of how your administration is taxing working families into submission. These initiatives will not only strain household budgets but also penalize commuters and small businesses, driving economic activity away from our state.

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I am writing to express my opposition to the New York State (NYS) energy plan as supported by the Sierra Club, whose advocacy in this matter raises significant concerns about both the integrity of the process and the plan's implications for New Yorkers.

It is crucial to recognize the inherent conflict of interest in Sierra Club's position. The organization has received millions of dollars from Michael Bloomberg's campaign to end fossil fuels, effectively aligning its agenda with an external, well-funded initiative that does not necessarily prioritize the needs of New York residents. This financial backing undermines the credibility of their advocacy and warrants a critical examination of their motives and talking points.

Addressing the Sierra Club's Talking Points:

1.Implement the Scoping Plan's Recommendations, Including Prioritization of Electrification

*The Sierra Club supports rapid electrification without acknowledging its reliance on fossil fuels for electricity generation and the significant risks posed by battery energy storage systems (BESS). These systems are prone to catastrophic failures, including fires and explosions, putting communities at risk. Advocating for electrification without addressing these realities is shortsighted and irresponsible.

2.Incorporate a Limit on GHG Emissions from Gas Use in Buildings

*A limit on greenhouse gas emissions sounds appealing but ignores the practical challenges of transitioning buildings entirely off gas. Modern natural gas systems are efficient

and can serve as a reliable energy source during periods of high demand when renewable energy falls short. Hastily imposing limits risks destabilizing energy reliability.

3.Consider Approaches to Limiting Utility Bills Such as Income-Based Caps and Progressive Rate Designs

*Shifting the financial burden of the energy transition onto the middle class to subsidize utility rates for lower-income households is inequitable and economically unsound. The middle class is already strained, and policies that exacerbate this divide will only deepen economic disparity.

4.Focus on Strategies to Rein in New Energy Load from Data Centers and Cryptocurrency and to More Effectively Manage Existing Load

*While it is prudent to address energy usage in these sectors, the energy plan fails to adequately balance economic growth and energy consumption. These industries provide jobs and economic opportunities that could be stifled under overly restrictive policies.

5.Implement Equity Mandates of the CLCPA: Address Disproportionate Pollution Burdens and Benefits

*Equity mandates are an important consideration, but they must not be used as a smokescreen for impractical or expensive policies that fail to deliver tangible benefits. Effective solutions should address pollution directly without compromising energy reliability or affordability for all residents.

6.Exclude Nuclear Energy from the New Energy Plan

*The blanket exclusion of nuclear energy reveals a bias that has no place in an objective energy strategy. Nuclear energy is a proven, low-carbon technology that provides a stable energy supply. The opposition to nuclear energy appears driven not by safety or feasibility concerns but by a lack of incentives offered by nuclear developers to government officials, which raises ethical questions about policy motivations.

Conclusion

The NYS energy plan, as supported by the Sierra Club, fails to provide a balanced, realistic, and equitable approach to energy transition. Moreover, the organization’s financial ties to anti-fossil fuel campaigns undermine its ability to advocate impartially for the best interests of New Yorkers.

We must pursue a comprehensive energy policy that incorporates a diverse mix of energy sources, including nuclear, natural gas, and renewables, while addressing practical challenges and ensuring fair treatment of all socioeconomic groups.

I urge policymakers to reject the flawed proposals of the NYS energy plan and to consider a more pragmatic, inclusive path forward.

From: Allyson Samuell
Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 11:54 AM
To: Allyson Samuell
Subject: Sierra Club Advocacy Hour: Follow-up (all of the links)

Hi everyone,

Thank you so much for joining our first Sierra Club Monthly Advocacy Hour last night!

As promised, sending along all of the links that were shared last night. Apologies in advance there were a lot of links last night...

If you have an idea for an advocacy hour topic for us to cover in the future feel free to submit them via this form.
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(the Sierra Club comments are pre-drafted for you, but we encourage you to add a personal note!)

Here were the main talking points that we shared list night for our comments on the draft scope of the energy plan:

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2. Incorporate a limit on GHG emissions from gas use in buildings

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4. Focus on strategies to rein in new energy load from data centers and cryptocurrency and to more effectively manage existing load.

5. Implement equity mandates of the CLCPA: address disproportionate pollution burdens and benefits.

6. New energy plan cannot include nuclear energy.

Who's in charge of the energy planning process?

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Script: My name is (name) and I live in (town/city), New York.

I was disappointed to hear the news that the Clean Path New York transmission line was recently canceled. Completion of the transmission line has always been essential to New York's transition to renewably sourced electricity and to attaining the greenhouse gas emission goals of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA.)

I urge you to prioritize the development of transmission lines in New York as part of our clean energy future. Especially transmission lines which are designed to bring much-needed renewable energy into the New York City metro-area.

[Option to add a personal detail about how you've been impacted by the climate crisis and the clean energy transition is important to you.]

Thank you,

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Brooklyn, NY

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**First Name:** Caren

**Last Name:** Riskin

**Comments:** Thank you Mr. Monahan for continued exposure of the Sierra Club! It is painful to endure the Sierra club gang on calls and platforms that are scripted, not substantive and NEVER FROM REAL RESIDENTS impacted by these projects. The Sierra club's agenda is to protect the environment and wildlife, yet they neglect the destruction of our ocean, marine life, seafood and fisherman jobs by supporting offshore wind. Those Bloomberg donations have incentivized this group to neglect their obligations and the audacity to support harmful renewables that impact REAL RESIDENTS is astounding.

FACT sonar surveying for offshore wind development is harmful to whales and other marine life. Why else would BOEM and developer environmental impact statements request IHA "Incidental Harassment Authorization" which is a request to kill a certain number of whales, dolphins and other precious sea-life.

On Mon, Dec 9, 2024 at 10:04PM Christian Monahan

NYSERDA/NYPA/Hochul -

I am writing to express my opposition to the New York State (NYS) energy plan as supported by the Sierra Club, whose advocacy in this matter raises significant concerns about both the integrity of the process and the plan's implications for New Yorkers.

It is crucial to recognize the inherent conflict of interest in Sierra Club's position. The organization has received millions of dollars from Michael Bloomberg's campaign to end fossil fuels, effectively aligning its agenda with an external, well-funded initiative that does not necessarily prioritize the needs of New York residents. This financial backing undermines the credibility of their advocacy and warrants a critical examination of their motives and talking points.

Addressing the Sierra Club's Talking Points:

1.Implement the Scoping Plan's Recommendations, Including Prioritization of Electrification

*The Sierra Club supports rapid electrification without acknowledging its reliance on fossil fuels for electricity generation and the significant risks posed by battery energy storage systems (BESS). These systems are prone to catastrophic failures, including fires and explosions, putting communities at risk. Advocating for electrification without addressing these realities is shortsighted and irresponsible.

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5.Implement Equity Mandates of the CLCPA: Address Disproportionate Pollution Burdens and Benefits

*Equity mandates are an important consideration, but they must not be used as a smokescreen for impractical or expensive policies that fail to deliver tangible benefits. Effective solutions should address pollution directly without compromising energy reliability or affordability for all residents.

6.Exclude Nuclear Energy from the New Energy Plan

*The blanket exclusion of nuclear energy reveals a bias that has no place in an objective energy strategy. Nuclear energy is a proven, low-carbon technology that provides a stable energy supply. The opposition to nuclear energy appears driven not by safety or feasibility concerns but by a lack of incentives offered by nuclear developers to government officials, which raises ethical questions about policy motivations.

Conclusion

The NYS energy plan, as supported by the Sierra Club, fails to provide a balanced, realistic, and equitable approach to energy transition. Moreover, the organization’s financial ties to anti-fossil fuel campaigns undermine its ability to advocate impartially for the best interests of New Yorkers.

We must pursue a comprehensive energy policy that incorporates a diverse mix of energy sources, including nuclear, natural gas, and renewables, while addressing practical challenges and ensuring fair treatment of all socioeconomic groups.

I urge policymakers to reject the flawed proposals of the NYS energy plan and to consider a more pragmatic, inclusive path forward.

From: Allyson Samuell
Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 11:54 AM
To: Allyson Samuell
Subject: Sierra Club Advocacy Hour: Follow-up (all of the links)

Hi everyone,

Thank you so much for joining our first Sierra Club Monthly Advocacy Hour last night!

As promised, sending along all of the links that were shared last night. Apologies in advance there were a lot of links last night...

If you have an idea for an advocacy hour topic for us to cover in the future feel free to submit them via this form.
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First, RSVP to join us for our upcoming advocacy hours.

* Wednesday January 8th at 6PM: Sierra Club NY Legislative Priorities 2025 RSVP here. <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://sierraclub.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0tcO2tqDwpGdKvoy_ZjlswLzw_nBygd34y*/registration__;Iw!!MQuuhw!z0l-1TL5NyqcdqY8dRJE3YiHOSMAFZKarrvATAu7SRRgCuVxNLZMzGuqTDZ-OVYbQdVrNg0hQv24ZbUWzCPeoDfckKMndVw$>

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Submit a comment on the "Draft Scope of the New York State Energy Plan" -

* You can comment through the Sierra Club link <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://act.sierraclub.org/actions/National?actionId=AR0490882__;!!MQuuhw!z0l-1TL5NyqcdqY8dRJE3YiHOSMAFZKarrvATAu7SRRgCuVxNLZMzGuqTDZ-OVYbQdVrNg0hQv24ZbUWzCPeoDfcwRxbook$>

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(the Sierra Club comments are pre-drafted for you, but we encourage you to add a personal note!)

Here were the main talking points that we shared list night for our comments on the draft scope of the energy plan:

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Who's in charge of the energy planning process?

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Script: My name is (name) and I live in (town/city), New York.

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I urge you to prioritize the development of transmission lines in New York as part of our clean energy future. Especially transmission lines which are designed to bring much-needed renewable energy into the New York City metro-area.

[Option to add a personal detail about how you've been impacted by the climate crisis and the clean energy transition is important to you.]

Thank you,

[name]

Thanks again!
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**Submit Date:** 12/09/2024 10:36:32 PM

**First Name:** patricia

**Last Name:** beaumont

**Comments:** Governor Hochul,

Your administration's energy policies are causing significant hardship for New York's working families and businesses. The economic consequences of the 2024 Energy Plan, particularly the aggressive push for electrification and the resulting cost increases, are unsustainable. The hypocrisy of subsidizing the Buffalo Bills stadium, which uses natural gas, while simultaneously banning it for everyday citizens, is deeply troubling. This, coupled with the questionable economic and environmental viability of offshore wind projects, demonstrates a concerning disconnect between your stated goals and the reality faced by New Yorkers. A more balanced approach, prioritizing both environmental sustainability and economic stability, is urgently needed.

Sincerely
Patricia  Beaumont

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

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On Monday, December 9, 2024, 9:11 PM, Caren Riskin

Governor Hochul, NYSERDA, NYPA:

I am writing as a furious and outraged New Yorker, deeply troubled by the destructive path your energy policies are paving for the hardworking families and businesses of our state. The 2024 New York State Energy Plan and your climate agenda, while cloaked in rhetoric about sustainability and equity, mask the detrimental impact they will have on our middle class, manufacturing industries, and energy affordability. Your actions suggest a stark disconnect between your stated goals and the reality New Yorkers are facing.

Your administration’s aggressive push for electrification and decarbonization under the guise of combating climate change is riddled with contradictions. While you promote the banning of natural gas appliances and mandate costly electric vehicle adoption, your policies directly undermine the economic well-being of residents and businesses. The energy plan’s substantial rate increases, coupled with your push for congestion pricing in New York City, are more examples of how your administration is taxing working families into submission. These initiatives will not only strain household budgets but also penalize commuters and small businesses, driving economic activity away from our state.

Adding to the harm, your support for offshore wind development is another misguided and costly endeavor. Even developers and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) admit in their documents that offshore wind projects will not meaningfully impact climate change. These projects are extraordinarily expensive, existing only through taxpayer and ratepayer subsidies, and come at an enormous cost to our environment. Offshore wind turbines threaten marine ecosystems, devastate seafood as a food source, and put fishermen’s livelihoods at risk. Your promotion of these destructive projects reveals a willingness to sacrifice both economic stability and environmental integrity for political posturing.

Your hypocrisy in this matter is deeply troubling. Consider your support for substantial taxpayer-funded subsidies for the Buffalo Bills' new stadium. Not only did this deal benefit your husband William Hochul's former employer, Delaware North, but it also blatantly defies the climate policies you champion. The stadium deal allows vendors to use natural gas—an energy source you are effectively banning for everyday New Yorkers. Such preferential treatment reveals a pattern of double standards, where political allies and corporate interests benefit while ordinary citizens shoulder the burden.

Meanwhile, you echo President Biden's mandates for widespread electrification without addressing the practical implications for energy costs, grid reliability, or alternative solutions for disadvantaged communities. New York's ambitious goals, while noble in theory, are being implemented with little regard for their disproportionate economic impact on working families or the feasibility of the infrastructure required.

Governor Hochul, if your true goal is equity and sustainability, why does your administration continue to shift the financial and logistical burden of these changes onto those least able to bear it? The middle class and small businesses are not pawns for political experiments or ambitious soundbites. They deserve pragmatic, balanced policies that protect their livelihoods while moving toward a sustainable future.

Your tenure should prioritize thoughtful leadership, not performative climate gestures that enrich the few while impoverishing the many. I urge you to reconsider your energy policies, halt offshore wind projects, and adopt a balanced approach that supports environmental goals without sacrificing the economic stability of New York's residents and industries.

Thank you and regards,

Caren Riskin

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**First Name:** Giuseppe

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**First Name:** pmacleo

**Last Name:**

**Comments:** I oppose NYS proposed energy plan.  I demand that NYS abandon the scoping plan and Climate Leadership Community Protection Act in favor of a plan grounded in science and engineering, that does not discriminate against safe, energy-dense, cost-effective, carbon-free base load nuclear power.  We can save our seashores, forests, and farms but only if we abandon the plan Albany is currently pursuing.  Wind, batterty energy storage and solar are expensive and not reliable.

Nuclear is ready to move forward now creating jobs for years to come.

NYISO and NYSERDA have both conceded that we will have grid instability and face shortages as early as next year because there have been no modeled analyses of how the CLCPA will be successful.  NYISO also knows peaker plants will not be shut down, creating still more GHGs.

NYISO was advised by Potomac Advisors not to utilize PropelNY as its not cost-effective and not in the best interests of ratepayers

The Comptroller audited NYSERDA and the PSC and confirmed these agencies are using miscalculations and old data, proving ratepayers are paying for the new infrastructure, battery energy storage, turbines, and solar fields.

Since the Business Council noted the expensive rates to Governor Hochul and NYSERDA, public opposition is growing as multiple indicators show the plan is failing.  We all paid attention last year when the Public Service Commission denied rate increases to Empire Wind 1 and Sunrise Wind and the next day Governor Hochul circumvented the PSC and allowed rate increases.  Governor Hochul did not stop there, she then took away local control from municipalities across NYS with the Rapid Act hidden in the state budget.  Local communities must have the final say in what happens in their communities.

We need a realistic plan, not a mandated ban.

I urge NYS to utilize nuclear energy.

Thank you
Michelle Leo

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From: Caren Riskin <>
Sent: Monday, December 9, 2024 10:34 PM
To: Christian Monahan  Subject: Re: FW: Sierra Club Advocacy Hour: Follow-up (all of the links)

Thank you Mr. Monahan for continued exposure of the Sierra Club! It is painful to endure the Sierra club gang on calls and platforms that are scripted, not substantive and NEVER FROM REAL RESIDENTS impacted by these projects. The Sierra club's agenda is to protect the environment and wildlife, yet they neglect the destruction of our ocean, marine life, seafood and fisherman jobs by supporting offshore wind. Those Bloomberg donations have incentivized this group to neglect their obligations and the audacity to support harmful renewables that impact REAL RESIDENTS is astounding.

FACT sonar surveying for offshore wind development is harmful to whales and other marine life. Why else would BOEM and developer environmental impact statements request IHA "Incidental Harassment Authorization" which is a request to kill a certain number of whales, dolphins and other precious sea-life.

On Mon, Dec 9, 2024 at 10:04PM Christian Monahan

NYSERDA/NYPA/Hochul -

I am writing to express my opposition to the New York State (NYS) energy plan as supported by the Sierra Club, whose advocacy in this matter raises significant concerns about both the integrity of the process and the plan's implications for New Yorkers.

It is crucial to recognize the inherent conflict of interest in Sierra Club's position. The organization has received millions of dollars from Michael Bloomberg's campaign to end fossil fuels, effectively aligning its agenda with an external, well-funded initiative that does not necessarily prioritize the needs of New York residents. This financial backing undermines the credibility of their advocacy and warrants a critical examination of their motives and talking points.

Addressing the Sierra Club's Talking Points:

1.Implement the Scoping Plan's Recommendations, Including Prioritization of Electrification

*The Sierra Club supports rapid electrification without acknowledging its reliance on fossil fuels for electricity generation and the significant risks posed by battery energy storage systems (BESS). These systems are prone to catastrophic failures, including fires and explosions, putting communities at risk. Advocating for electrification without addressing these realities is shortsighted and irresponsible.

2.Incorporate a Limit on GHG Emissions from Gas Use in Buildings

*A limit on greenhouse gas emissions sounds appealing but ignores the practical challenges of transitioning buildings entirely off gas. Modern natural gas systems are efficient and can serve as a reliable energy source during periods of high demand when renewable energy falls short. Hastily imposing limits risks destabilizing energy reliability.

3.Consider Approaches to Limiting Utility Bills Such as Income-Based Caps and Progressive Rate Designs

*Shifting the financial burden of the energy transition onto the middle class to subsidize utility rates for lower-income households is inequitable and economically unsound. The middle class is already strained, and policies that exacerbate this divide will only deepen economic disparity.

4.Focus on Strategies to Rein in New Energy Load from Data Centers and Cryptocurrency and to More Effectively Manage Existing Load

*While it is prudent to address energy usage in these sectors, the energy plan fails to adequately balance economic growth and energy consumption. These industries provide jobs and economic opportunities that could be stifled under overly restrictive policies.

5.Implement Equity Mandates of the CLCPA: Address Disproportionate Pollution Burdens and Benefits

*Equity mandates are an important consideration, but they must not be used as a smokescreen for impractical or expensive policies that fail to deliver tangible benefits. Effective solutions should address pollution directly without compromising energy reliability or affordability for all residents.

6.Exclude Nuclear Energy from the New Energy Plan

*The blanket exclusion of nuclear energy reveals a bias that has no place in an objective energy strategy. Nuclear energy is a proven, low-carbon technology that provides a stable energy supply. The opposition to nuclear energy appears driven not by safety or feasibility concerns but by a lack of incentives offered by nuclear developers to government officials, which raises ethical questions about policy motivations.

Conclusion

The NYS energy plan, as supported by the Sierra Club, fails to provide a balanced, realistic, and equitable approach to energy transition. Moreover, the organization’s financial ties to anti-fossil fuel campaigns undermine its ability to advocate impartially for the best interests of New Yorkers.

We must pursue a comprehensive energy policy that incorporates a diverse mix of energy sources, including nuclear, natural gas, and renewables, while addressing practical challenges and ensuring fair treatment of all socioeconomic groups.

I urge policymakers to reject the flawed proposals of the NYS energy plan and to consider a more pragmatic, inclusive path forward.

From: Allyson Samuell
Sent: Thursday, December 5, 2024 11:54 AM
To: Allyson Samuell
Subject: Sierra Club Advocacy Hour: Follow-up (all of the links)

Hi everyone,

Thank you so much for joining our first Sierra Club Monthly Advocacy Hour last night!

As promised, sending along all of the links that were shared last night. Apologies in advance there were a lot of links last night...

If you have an idea for an advocacy hour topic for us to cover in the future feel free to submit them via this form.
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First, RSVP to join us for our upcoming advocacy hours.

* Wednesday January 8th at 6PM: Sierra Club NY Legislative Priorities 2025 RSVP here. <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://sierraclub.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0tcO2tqDwpGdKvoy_ZjlswLzw_nBygd34y*/registration__;Iw!!MQuuhw!wWv0yu5BntvYiRsU_o_f2eQbTDFQV3A2ohepmdCdNOGsFXlJYfEYOh3q4f0AwnQt1iSSQgHtIm21mz5eZwgifFz3s29C$>

* Wednesday February 5th at 6PM: Planes, Trains and Boats - Learn more about the crucial legislation which tackles decarbonizing these forms of transportation. RSVP here <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://sierraclub.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwud-6rrT8uE9HXmUQ_jiaJ-D-IjEXM2VGV*/registration__;Iw!!MQuuhw!wWv0yu5BntvYiRsU_o_f2eQbTDFQV3A2ohepmdCdNOGsFXlJYfEYOh3q4f0AwnQt1iSSQgHtIm21mz5eZwgifNJyWYmk$> .

Submit a comment on the "Draft Scope of the New York State Energy Plan" -

* You can comment through the Sierra Club link <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://act.sierraclub.org/actions/National?actionId=AR0490882__;!!MQuuhw!wWv0yu5BntvYiRsU_o_f2eQbTDFQV3A2ohepmdCdNOGsFXlJYfEYOh3q4f0AwnQt1iSSQgHtIm21mz5eZwgifKrPdHm5$>

* OR if you've already submitted a comment through the Sierra Club link you can submit directly on the State website here. <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://www.commentmanagement.com/comment/State-Energy-Plan-Draft-Scope-Outreach__;!!MQuuhw!wWv0yu5BntvYiRsU_o_f2eQbTDFQV3A2ohepmdCdNOGsFXlJYfEYOh3q4f0AwnQt1iSSQgHtIm21mz5eZwgifAtiqF4y$>

(the Sierra Club comments are pre-drafted for you, but we encourage you to add a personal note!)

Here were the main talking points that we shared list night for our comments on the draft scope of the energy plan:

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2. Incorporate a limit on GHG emissions from gas use in buildings

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5. Implement equity mandates of the CLCPA: address disproportionate pollution burdens and benefits.

6. New energy plan cannot include nuclear energy.

Who's in charge of the energy planning process?

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Research spreadsheet linked here. <https://urldefense.com/v3/__https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1cbYQKw_CYqDBgFuQ1utLkF2d7eDeEJlhwgfE8zPhvh4/edit?gid=0*gid=0__;Iw!!MQuuhw!wWv0yu5BntvYiRsU_o_f2eQbTDFQV3A2ohepmdCdNOGsFXlJYfEYOh3q4f0AwnQt1iSSQgHtIm21mz5eZwgifAJoTnHT$>

Comment on Clean Path Cancelation:

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Script: My name is (name) and I live in (town/city), New York.

I was disappointed to hear the news that the Clean Path New York transmission line was recently canceled. Completion of the transmission line has always been essential to New York's transition to renewably sourced electricity and to attaining the greenhouse gas emission goals of the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act (CLCPA.)

I urge you to prioritize the development of transmission lines in New York as part of our clean energy future. Especially transmission lines which are designed to bring much-needed renewable energy into the New York City metro-area.

[Option to add a personal detail about how you've been impacted by the climate crisis and the clean energy transition is important to you.]

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**Last Name:** Belsha

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Thank you!
Hannah Marcus

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**Submit Date:** 12/09/2024 11:42:00 PM

**First Name:** Charlotte

**Last Name:** Lomino III

**Comments:** I am a resident of New York State's ecological crown jewel, the Adirondack Park. In my time living in the north country over just the last 10 years, I've seen an incredible shortening of our winters. A huge portion of this region's tourism is in winter sports (skiing, snowmobiling, etc), and the warmer winters are going to hit our region hard, economically. The warmer summers are also already affecting us, as we have seen multiple areas in the region experience record-breaking flooding in the last 5 years. Roads are getting washed away in Long Lake, people's homes are getting destroyed in Malone, and the cost of constantly rebuilding our rural infrastructure is adding up.

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**First Name:** Kate

**Last Name:** Selden

**Comments:** _____

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To NYPA Staff,
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Regards,
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Kate Selden she/her

Senior Policy Manager, Here Comes Solar

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**Last Name:** Manton

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President Trump will prioritize cutting wasteful government spending and vowed to halt offshore wind projects for their inefficiency, high cost, and lack of meaningful benefits. Ignoring these realities in favor of such initiatives demonstrates a complete disregard for fiscal responsibility and the true needs of New Yorkers. These projects are not only a financial burden but also a distraction from addressing more pressing energy and environmental challenges with viable, cost-effective solutions.

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The hypocrisy in this matter is deeply troubling; support for substantial taxpayer-funded subsidies for the Buffalo Bills’ new stadium. Not only did this deal benefit your husband

William Hochul’s former employer, Delaware North, but it also blatantly defies the climate policies you champion. The stadium deal allows vendors to use natural gas—an energy source you are effectively banning for everyday New Yorkers. Such preferential treatment reveals a pattern of double standards, where political allies and corporate interests benefit while ordinary citizens shoulder the burden.

Meanwhile, following President Biden’s mandates for widespread electrification without addressing the practical implications for energy costs, grid reliability, or alternative solutions for disadvantaged communities. New York’s ambitious goals, while noble in theory, are being implemented with little regard for their disproportionate economic impact on working families or the feasibility of the infrastructure required.

If the goal is equity and sustainability, there should be focus on the financial and logistical burden of these changes onto those least able to bear it? The middle class and small businesses are not pawns for political experiments or ambitious soundbites. They deserve pragmatic, balanced policies that protect their livelihoods while moving toward a sustainable future.

Please prioritize thoughtful leadership, not performative climate gestures that enrich the few while impoverishing the many. I urge you to reconsider your energy policies, halt offshore wind projects and other unreliable renewable energy such as solar and battery stations. Adopt a balanced approach that supports environmental goals without sacrificing the economic stability of New York’s residents and industries.

Respectfully,

Marjorie W Monahan

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My name is Maria Forbes, thank you for the opportunity to speak during this public hearing. I am a NYCHA resident in the South Bronx and the President of the Clay Avenue Tenants Association for more than 30 years. I have had the opportunity to speak to people all around the world including at the United Nations and on behalf of women in public housing.

I am glad to see this presentation about the NYPA's Strategic Plan and the update regarding their progress in implementing their Expanded Authority. I did not know about the NY Power Authority last year. Though NYPA provides energy to most of the New York Housing Authority's developments, like many people in New York City, I have known Con Edison for years. It has been a learning process to understand the clean energy transition and the role NYPA will play in moving New York State towards its clean energy goals.

The reality is climate change and the need for more renewable energy is here. The energy transition is not just tomorrow, it is now. Last year, I met with the Power Authority, and they shared their goals and plans with me to build renewable energy and update the electric grid. They had me thinking about my old building's power but, most importantly, I was thinking about the children in my community. I am always thinking about children because they will help determine what our future looks like, and they will be the change we want to see in the world.

The Power Authority has been a valuable partner every step of the way and a supporter of my commitment to exposing the youth to STEAM [Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics]. As a supporter of the United Nations Sustainability Goals, I came back to NYPA with a new idea to evolve my annual Back-to-School Family Day event in the summer.  I knew my young people needed more hands-on learning opportunities about energy, science, and innovation. I did not want them to be left in the dark or behind the times as our energy systems move forward. I applied and was awarded a grant from the NYC Public Housing Fund. I planned an event to give away STEAM kits to the kids, including mini windmills and micro electric cars, to build during the event and to hand STEAM workbooks for the kids to fill out when they were home. NYPA offered additional support by connecting me with Hostos Community College for student volunteers and they brought additional educational resources to make sure the event was a success. Leaders from NYCHA, elected officials, and The United Nations joined the event in August.

Like in NYPA's Strategic plan, we align on doing community education and building the workforce that can help the Bronx and our state move forward. I want to see part of their $25 million workforce development commitment funding go to programs that expose young people to middle school. I believe they will do the right thing and help build a bridge to the place we need to be with more renewable energy like community solar, energy affordability, and a diverse workforce.

I look forward to continuing to work with them and thank you for your time.

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Please governor, we™re begging you.

Thank you,
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In a message dated 12/10/2024 7:30:37 AM Eastern Standard Time

Attention NYSERDA, NYPA and Governor Hochul -

Governor Hochul’s leadership has placed New Yorkers on a dangerous and unsustainable path. The policies under the Hochul and Biden administrations, from skyrocketing energy costs to costly and ineffective climate projects, are hurting middle-class families and small businesses. Instead of pursuing balanced and pragmatic solutions, you’ve adopted measures that betray the hardworking people of this state while favoring political allies and corporate interests.

President Trump will prioritize cutting wasteful government spending and vowed to halt offshore wind projects for their inefficiency, high cost, and lack of meaningful benefits. Ignoring these realities in favor of such initiatives demonstrates a complete disregard for fiscal responsibility and the true needs of New Yorkers. These projects are not only a financial burden but also a distraction from addressing more pressing energy and environmental challenges with viable, cost-effective solutions.

This administration’s aggressive push for electrification and decarbonization under the guise of combating climate change is riddled with contradictions. While you promote the banning of natural gas appliances and mandate costly electric vehicle adoption, your policies directly undermine the economic well-being of residents and businesses. The energy plan’s substantial rate increases, coupled with your push for congestion pricing in New York City, are more examples of how Hochul’s administration is taxing working families into submission. These initiatives will not only strain household budgets but also penalize commuters and small businesses, driving economic activity away from our state.

Adding to the harm, Hochul’s support for offshore wind development is another misguided and costly endeavor. Even developers and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) admit in their documents that offshore wind projects will NOT impact climate change. These projects are extraordinarily expensive, existing only through taxpayer and ratepayer subsidies, and come at an enormous cost to our environment. Offshore wind turbines threaten marine ecosystems, devastate seafood as a food source, and put fishermen’s livelihoods at risk. Your promotion of these destructive projects reveals a willingness to sacrifice both economic stability and environmental integrity for political posturing.

The hypocrisy in this matter is deeply troubling; support for substantial taxpayer-funded subsidies for the Buffalo Bills’ new stadium. Not only did this deal benefit your husband William Hochul’s former employer, Delaware North, but it also blatantly defies the climate policies you champion. The stadium deal allows vendors to use natural gas—an energy source you are effectively banning for everyday New Yorkers. Such preferential treatment reveals a pattern of double standards, where political allies and corporate interests benefit while ordinary citizens shoulder the burden.

Meanwhile, following President Biden’s mandates for widespread electrification without addressing the practical implications for energy costs, grid reliability, or alternative solutions for disadvantaged communities. New York’s ambitious goals, while noble in theory, are being implemented with little regard for their disproportionate economic impact on working families or the feasibility of the infrastructure required.

If the goal is equity and sustainability, there should be focus on the financial and logistical burden of these changes onto those least able to bear it? The middle class and small businesses are not pawns for political experiments or ambitious soundbites. They deserve pragmatic, balanced policies that protect their livelihoods while moving toward a sustainable future.

Please prioritize thoughtful leadership, not performative climate gestures that enrich the few while impoverishing the many. I urge you to reconsider your energy policies, halt offshore wind projects and other unreliable renewable energy such as solar and battery stations. Adopt a balanced approach that supports environmental goals without sacrificing the economic stability of New York’s residents and industries.

Respectfully,

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**First Name:** Jess

**Last Name:** Mullen

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**First Name:** King,

**Last Name:** Thomas

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Sent: Tuesday, December 10, 2024 2:54 PM
To: Michel-Norman, Aisha ; King, Thomas ; Imohiosen, Charles; Spear, Christine
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]Rise Light & Power, LLC Comments on NYPA Strategic Plan

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From: NYPARenewablesConferral >
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Hi Carley,

Who should I contact when we get emails like this? Charles? Yves?

Please advise.

Thanks,

Aisha

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Sent: Monday, December 9, 2024 8:40 PM
To: NYPARenewablesConferral
Cc: Jim.Dandrea
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Best,

Devlyn Tedesco

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Sincerely,

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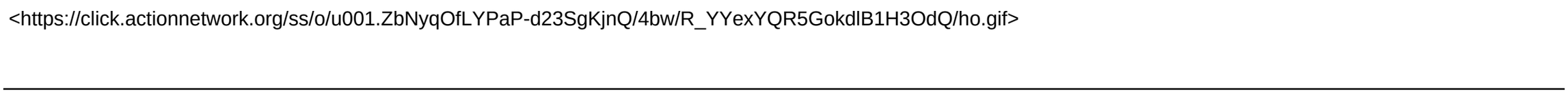
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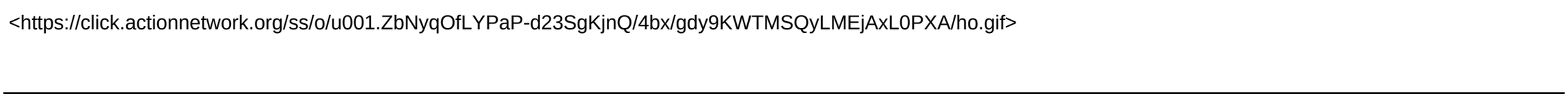
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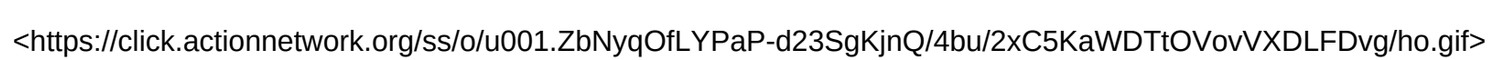
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**First Name:** Hélène

**Last Name:** Filion Onserud

**Comments:** NYPA CEO Justin Driscoll,

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**First Name:** Ken

**Last Name:** Schles

**Comments:** NYPA CEO Justin Driscoll,

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**Comments:** For your action.

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Aisha

From: Joseph Canovas <>
Sent: Monday, December 9, 2024 2:47 PM
To: Driscoll, Justin
Cc: NYPARenewablesConferral ; Michael Cinquanti
Subject: [EXTERNAL]NYPA Renewables Draft Strategic Plan Joint Comment

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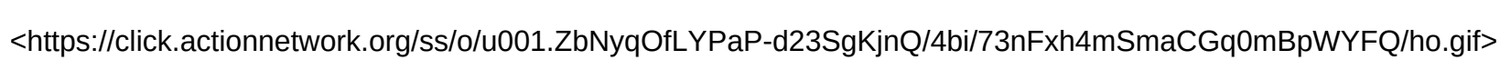
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**Comments:** NYPA Renewables Strategic Plan Developers ,

I write today regarding the draft Renewables Strategic Plan released by the New York Power Authority earlier this fall.

I am urging NYPA to be much bolder and more visionary with it's plan, and to better center equity and environmental justice.

The current plan falls short by
- Only proposing to develop 3.5 GW in renewable energy projects, far short of what's needed and called for by organized labor, frontline and fenceline communities, and NYS residents at large
- Not incorporating feedback from organized labor organizations through the conferral process, and not including any Thermal Energy Networks in WNY. TENs offer immense opportunity for transitioning pipefitter and other unionized natural gas sector jobs with little need for additional training
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- Not considering the Authority’s economic development operations, which currently provide massive energy discounts to multinational corporations like Citibank, Amazon, and Lockheed Martin.
- Not targeting vacant or underutilized industrial brownfields that currently plague environmental justice communities in WNY, and greatly undershooting in goals to utilize vacant public land and public institution campuses. Less than 6% of the proposed capacity is to be sited on public land or institutions, such as vacant or underinvested publicly-owned buildings and land, especially in developed urban areas. Many projects appear to be sited on "greenfield" properties, which have strong public opposition.

Additionally, there is far too little information included in the draft report for the public to engage with an informed lens. For example, the map of proposed projects in the PDF released is low resolution without scaling, and there is no list of specific locations where projects are proposed. In a similar vein, the public engagement process is woefully insufficient - the only public hearings in NYISO Zone A are being held at the NYPA Vista Center in Lewiston, a two-hour ride by public transit from the City of Buffalo, the second largest city in New York State by population.

Western New York, despite the irresponsible marketing narrative about being a "climate haven", is already suffering from the impacts of climate change. The 2022 Christmas Blizzard caused at least 50 deaths, primarily due to widespread power outages and a lack of resiliency and redundancy in the grid. The first tornado ever recorded within the City of Buffalo hit in summer 2024 as part of a record tornado outbreak for WNY and Upstate. The wildfire smoke in summer 2023 made for extremely dangerous outdoor conditions, and related heat waves strained the energy grid, causing brownouts in some areas.

These impacts are not being felt equally - marginalized Frontline communities are feeling the impacts first and worst. Many of these communities are also Fenceline communities which have for decades borne the health and economic costs of environmental injustice from industries adjacent to their homes. We must center equity and develop a plan that will begin to undo the past and current harms these communities are facing.

With that framing in mind, I write today to ask NYPA to strengthen it's draft renewable energy plan by taking the following steps -
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That’s 25,000 green union jobs and the end of "peaker" plants polluting our neighborhoods. The AFL-CIO and Building Trades Council, who together represent 2.5 million workers in New York State, call for a buildout of 15 GW by 2030. IBEW, which represents workers directly impacted by our energy transition, calls for a large-scale buildout to guarantee job stability in the future for its members.

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Working with area unions to build at least one large scale TEN in NYISO Zone A will significantly alleviate concerns of potential job losses in the natural gas sector and reduce public opposition to transitions to renewable energy.

- Prioritize utilizing vacant industrial brownfield properties in project siting.
These sites are located in Environmental Justice communities which are suffering from disinvestment and the health impacts from unremediated contamination. These sites are also usually designed for industrial uses, and usually still have industrial-scale grid connection infrastructure still in place.
Use of greenfield properties, like farmland, meadows, and clear-cut forested areas not only undermine collective goals for carbon emission reduction, but also generates strong public opposition. Use of industrial brownfields will instead build public support for energy transition.
Also of note, at present, the private sector is using these sites to develop high energy demand uses with dubious public benefit, like data centers used for cryptocurrency mining, sometimes even by purchasing private sector peaker plants to use primarily to power computer farms. The current site developer for the former Tonawanda Coke brownfield parcel, for example, is pursuing data center development, which would underutilize the potential for the site, especially given the close proximity to grid connection infrastructure near the shuttered Huntley facility, and the sale of the Fortistar plant to Digihost Technologies is a disturbing development.
An aggressive plan to develop renewable energy projects would make WNY a center for job creation and economic growth rather than an energy consumer and economically stagnant, while putting us on the path to undo the harms to environmental justice communities which have borne and unfair and inequitable health cost burden.

- Prioritize reducing residential energy costs.
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**First Name:** Media

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**First Name:** Elena

**Last Name:** Ruyter

**Comments:** Hi Governor,

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**First Name:** Scherer,

**Last Name:** Anna

**Comments:**

From: Neville, VictoriaSent: Wednesday, December 11, 2024 11:20 AM
To: Scherer, Anna
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]Build Public Renewables

Not sure who should get this but it came to the wrong mailbox.

From: Sabin, Lloyd
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 2:19 PM
To: Neville, Victoria
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]Build Public Renewables

This just came in through the info box. Looks like nothing, but you never know.

From: Janet Koenig >
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2024 2:15 PM
To: Info Subject: [EXTERNAL]Build Public Renewables

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Please support the Build Public Renewables Act.

Thank you.

Janet Koenig

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**First Name:** Michael

**Last Name:** Kukla

**Comments:**

Dear Governer Hochul,
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Those leaders only are admired who do the right thing , which in this case can only to be set and pursue a renewable future.

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**First Name:** Rona

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**Comments:** NYPA CEO Justin Driscoll,

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**First Name:** Mary

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I am very concerned that we are not doing more to advance renewables in New York.

As a consumer, my energy costs are higher than ever, while I have cut back on energy use as much as I can.

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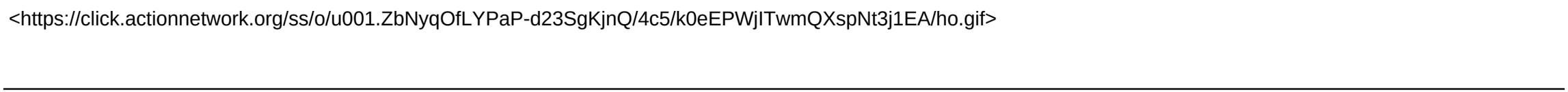
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**First Name:** Michael

**Last Name:** Salgarolo

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**Comments:** NYPA Renewables Strategic Plan Developers ,

I write today regarding the draft Renewables Strategic Plan released by the New York Power Authority earlier this fall.

I am urging NYPA to be much bolder and more visionary with it's plan, and to better center equity and environmental justice.

The current plan falls short by
- Only proposing to develop 3.5 GW in renewable energy projects, far short of what's needed and called for by organized labor, frontline and fenceline communities, and NYS residents at large
- Not incorporating feedback from organized labor organizations through the conferral process, and not including any Thermal Energy Networks in WNY. TENs offer immense opportunity for transitioning pipefitter and other unionized natural gas sector jobs with little need for additional training
- Not including a detailed plan for shutting down NYPA's peaker plants by 2030 as required by law
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- Not targeting vacant or underutilized industrial brownfields that currently plague environmental justice communities in WNY, and greatly undershooting in goals to utilize vacant public land and public institution campuses. Less than 6% of the proposed capacity is to be sited on public land or institutions, such as vacant or underinvested publicly-owned buildings and land, especially in developed urban areas. Many projects appear to be sited on "greenfield" properties, which have strong public opposition.

Additionally, there is far too little information included in the draft report for the public to engage with an informed lens. For example, the map of proposed projects in the PDF released is low resolution without scaling, and there is no list of specific locations where projects are proposed. In a similar vein, the public engagement process is woefully insufficient - the only public hearings in NYISO Zone A are being held at the NYPA Vista Center in Lewiston, a two-hour ride by public transit from the City of Buffalo, the second largest city in New York State by population.

Western New York, despite the irresponsible marketing narrative about being a "climate haven", is already suffering from the impacts of climate change. The 2022 Christmas Blizzard caused at least 50 deaths, primarily due to widespread power outages and a lack of resiliency and redundancy in the grid. The first tornado ever recorded within the City of Buffalo hit in summer 2024 as part of a record tornado outbreak for WNY and Upstate. The wildfire smoke in summer 2023 made for extremely dangerous outdoor conditions, and related heat waves strained the energy grid, causing brownouts in some areas.

These impacts are not being felt equally - marginalized Frontline communities are feeling the impacts first and worst. Many of these communities are also Fenceline communities which have for decades borne the health and economic costs of environmental injustice from industries adjacent to their homes. We must center equity and develop a plan that will begin to undo the past and current harms these communities are facing.

With that framing in mind, I write today to ask NYPA to strengthen it's draft renewable energy plan by taking the following steps -
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That's 25,000 green union jobs and the end of "peaker" plants polluting our neighborhoods. The AFL-CIO and Building Trades Council, who together represent 2.5 million workers in New York State, call for a buildout of 15 GW by 2030. IBEW, which represents workers directly impacted by our energy transition, calls for a large-scale buildout to guarantee job stability in the future for its members.

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Working with area unions to build at least one large scale TEN in NYISO Zone A will significantly alleviate concerns of potential job losses in the natural gas sector and reduce public opposition to transitions to renewable energy.

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These sites are located in Environmental Justice communities which are suffering from disinvestment and the health impacts from unremediated contamination. These sites are also usually designed for industrial uses, and usually still have industrial-scale grid connection infrastructure still in place.
Use of greenfield properties, like farmland, meadows, and clear-cut forested areas not only undermine collective goals for carbon emission reduction, but also generates strong public opposition. Use of industrial brownfields will instead build public support for energy transition.
Also of note, at present, the private sector is using these sites to develop high energy demand uses with dubious public benefit, like data centers used for cryptocurrency mining, sometimes even by purchasing private sector peaker plants to use primarily to power computer farms. The current site developer for the former Tonawanda Coke brownfield parcel, for example, is pursuing data center development, which would underutilize the potential for the site, especially given the close proximity to grid connection infrastructure near the shuttered Huntley facility, and the sale of the Fortistar plant to Digihost Technologies is a disturbing development.
An aggressive plan to develop renewable energy projects would make WNY a center for job creation and economic growth rather than an energy consumer and economically stagnant, while putting us on the path to undo the harms to environmental justice communities which have borne and unfair and inequitable health cost burden.

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NYPA has an opportunity to take historic action and become the kind of leader that will carry this whole country's climate forward in an equitable manner.

Be bold and be visionary - build 15 GW of public renewable energy projects!

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**Last Name:** Glocker

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December 12, 2024

Re: Comments on the NYPA draft Strategic Plan

Dear Governor Hochul and NYPA Board Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to add my thoughts to the discussion of NYS's electrical power plans. I am not a technical person but I know that since the Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act plus all the regulatory enhancements to consolidate power in the hands of a few and from the hands of citizens like me, we have had neither effective leadership nor protection from globally based companies destroying our lands, coastal and lake waters. I oppose the NYPA Draft Strategic Plan. More of the same does not effectively or efficiently combat climate change; even if it did, NYS's contribution to climate degradation is so small stacked against a global problem.

New York: The Land of Renewable Energy Subsidies was authored by Shelby Veazey in October 2017. How prescient! In my opinion, not much progress has been made.

My home's electricity comes from Nationalgrid which occasionally provides information on the fuels it uses to produce that power. I will list the fuel components from the years of 2017 and 2021 respectively: Coal (3%, 2%); Hydroelectric (19%, 14%); Natural Gas (37%; 50%); Nuclear (35%, 27%); Oil (<1%, <1%); Solar (<1%, 2%), Wind (3%, 2%) and assorted other fuels like biomass, solid waste, etc.

Of these listed fuels, it's clear that I depend on hydro, natural gas and nuclear for reliable, consistent energy. In western NY, we are blessed to generate 80-90% of our power with carbon-free energy (hydro and nuclear) sources. Richard Dewey, President of NYISO said in an April, 2023 interview published in the Rochester Democrat & Chronicle that "We're probably curtailing right now." If we are curtailing nuclear and hydro to add the paltry solar/wind/biomass/solid waste and then backing up the intermittency with natural gas, that is just wrong! It is scientifically, socially and transparently irresponsible. Scientifically because natural gas is a polluter; socially because the CLCPA promised

relief for DACs, utility ratepayers are bearing the costs of the CLCPA and valuable acreage and home rule are lost; and transparently because all the press releases coming out of Albany with the exception of those from Comptroller DiNapoli and NYISO fulsomely laud the state's progress towards achieving its renewable goals in the face of warnings from NYISO, FERC and NERC.

I was encouraged to see Gov. Hochul's Climate Summit's emphasis on nuclear power. The USDOE has identified seven sites in NYS where the existing infrastructure could support either a large nuclear buildout or the more modest smaller modular nukes. Next door to me, the Wayne County Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, is seeking expansion. On July 16, 2024, in advance of the Summit, the Wayne County Board of Supervisors unanimously

* RESOLVED that the board expresses its support for the continued operation of the Robert E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant; and be it further

* RESOLVED, that this body again urges full consideration of Wayne County as a site for any new nuclear facilities that may be developed to assist in meeting NEW York State's goals for reduction in carbon emissions.

I am particularly distressed that the CLCPA is so deficient in protecting disadvantaged communities (DACs). New York Lawyers in the Public Interest explicitly called out four NYS agencies (NYSDOT, ESD, NYSSED, and NYSDOH) in its aptly named report: Flouting the Law. The report carefully examined multiple decisions that flouted the regulations of the CLCPA by these agencies before mistakenly arguing that the state should double down on renewable energy- do more of the same, just do it faster.

Doubling down on the CLCPA is not an option if one reads Comptroller DiNapoli's various reports. Our elected, not appointed, Comptroller continues to point out that the current renewable energy efforts are fundamentally flawed. Politicians can make plans and wish for faster renewable energy options but physics, engineering and economics will always determine the costs and distributed resultant burdens of those plans and wishes.

* The Comptroller's August 2023 report on renewable energy warned that NY's energy goals for 2030 are only within reach IF there is a 200% increase in gigawatt hours above the 2022 production levels. Is this likely? Additionally, he expresses concern that ratepayers have shouldered the $6.7 billion spent between fiscal years 2008/9 and 2020/1 with another $26.5 billion planned for transmission funding.

* The Comptroller's mid-July 2024 audit of NYSERDA and the PSC is also damning: use of outdated data, incorrect calculations, no forward planning, aggregated actual costs are unknown and no estimated ones available and no other sources other than ratepayers identified.

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* The Comptroller's report on NYS Agriculture in mid-August, 2024 mentions the challenge to agriculture, a $2.7 billion contribution to the state's GDP and an economic

engine to rural communities, of increasing acreage of prime soils lost to solar installations.

The CLCPA contains more expensive and poorly thought out regulations soon to take effect. I live in a consolidated school district which must have an all-electric bus fleet by 2035. My district now has 130 buses, none of them electric. Between now and 2035, the district will have to spend between $19.9 and $26 million dollars in addition to the typical cost of a bus to purchase electric ones to comply with the CLCPA regulation. This expenditure (in 2021 dollars) does not include the costs of installing charging apparatus at the bus garage or training dollars for drivers and mechanics. To make matters worse, one of the towns in this consolidated district has insufficient electricity now to support developments already approved to provide additional housing. The electric bus challenge starts in 2027- all buses purchased after 2027 must be electric.

Current conventional wisdom outside of Albany politicians suggests that EV buses will present challenges to school districts.

* Higher upfront bus costs for the transportation budget since EV buses cost more than clean-diesel buses. Multiple sources note that estimates range from $150-200,000 more per bus added to the basic cost of the bus.

* The infrastructure to charge the new vehicles will add to the transportation operations budget. Charging must take into effect the distance of the bus routes; the longer the route, the more battery is required. The topology of the route; the more hills to climb, the more battery is required.

* Driver and maintenance tech training will need to be revamped. Drivers will need to know how to prepare their buses; techs will need advanced electrical troubleshooting training.

* Battery range and weight are important if we want students to arrive at school safely, warm and on time. Current battery range is about 100 miles depending on air temps (really cold weather depletes batteries as travel and internal heating draw more energy). Hills can become a factor on longer routes on cold mornings and evenings as was learned from stranded Wisconsin students riding in EV buses in the last year or two. If a rural route crosses a small bridge, can the bridge support the very heavy EV bus because of battery weight?

I personally chafe at the removal of Home Rule by ORES as I chose to live in an agricultural community on land that was purchased from one of my town's early families. The soil in my town is 75% prime soil, the type of challenging loss referenced by Comptroller DiNapoli. My home is eligible for placement on the historic properties register according to the State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO). The large planned solar installation for my town will be built on Seneca sacred burial land, acknowledged by SHPO but with various mitigations completely unacceptable to many residents and the Seneca Tribal Historical Preservations Officer. This is cultural genocide. The installer and NYSERDA trumpet the statement that the installation will generate 180MW. But given the incidence of the sun's rays at this latitude and the cloudy skies from proximity to Lake Ontario, the real output will be closer to 36MW. I routinely discard prospectuses from land agents and solar companies who want to lease my land; last year I confronted an individual actually trespassing on my property with surveying devices.

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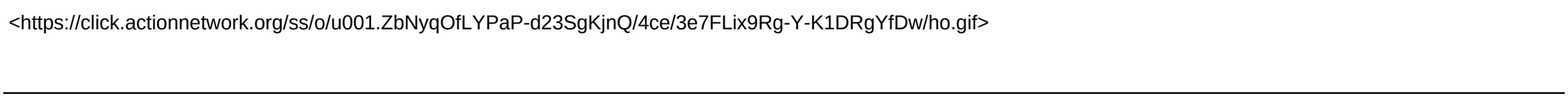
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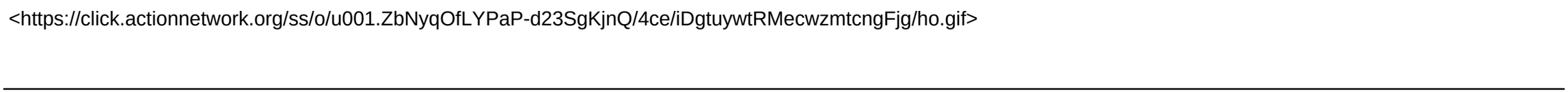
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**Last Name:** Murray

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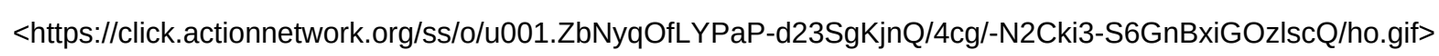
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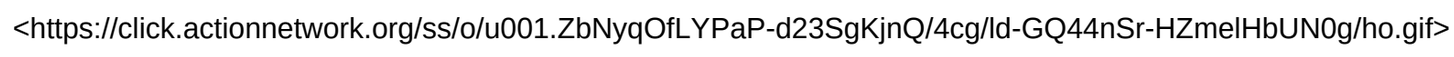
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Marya Friedman



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**First Name:** Anna

**Last Name:** Victoria

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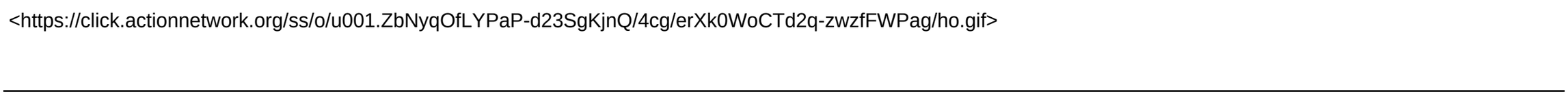
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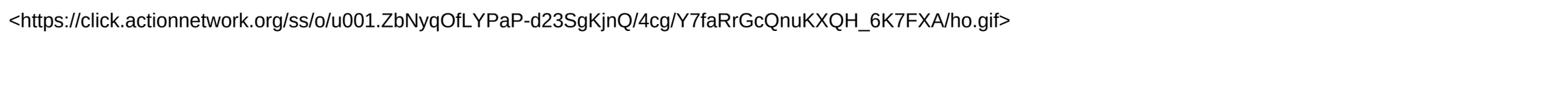
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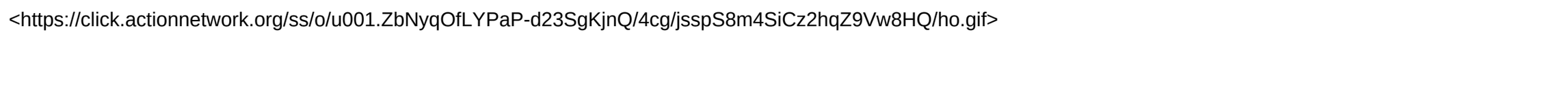
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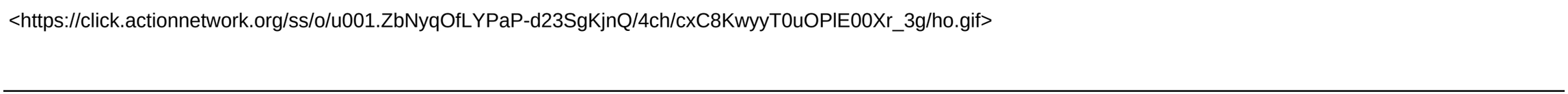
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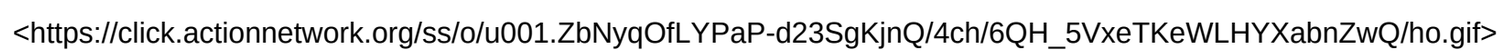
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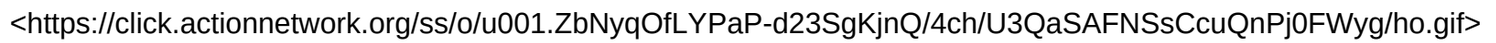
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**Comments:** NYPA CEO Justin Driscoll,

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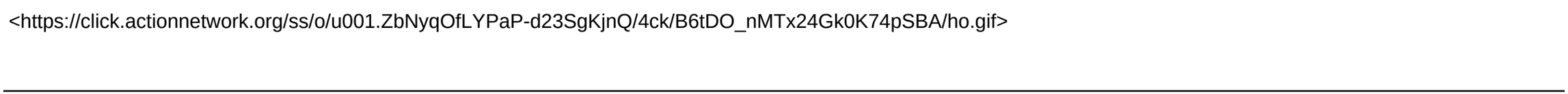
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**First Name:** Lisa

**Last Name:** Spencer

**Comments:** NYPA CEO Justin Driscoll,

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I am also a truly concerned NYC citizen, who desires a better future and clean air for my daughter (my child grew up as an asthma sufferer in Brooklyn, NY).
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**First Name:** Constance

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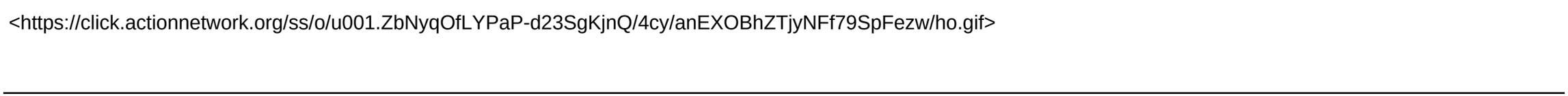
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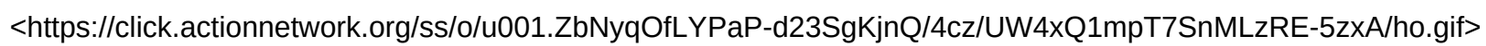
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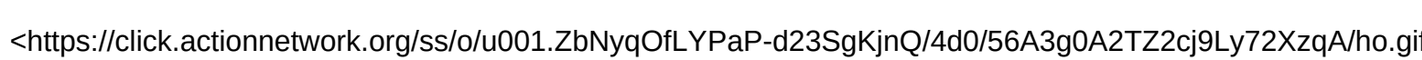
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Thank you,
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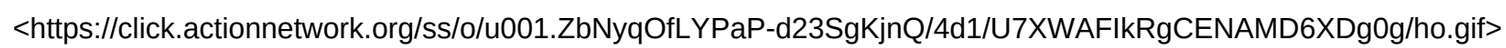
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