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Re: Concerns with the CAC's Draft Scoping Plan

Dear CAC,

I'm writing to express my concern about some of the recommendations contained in the CAC's draft Scoping Plan, which essentially proposes to eliminate natural gas as an energy option in our state.

As a former energy industry employee, I believe relying on one energy system for everything is just too risky, mainly as we see an increasing need for energy system reliability, resilience, and quicker recovery from more frequent and significant weather events.

The public projections of costs to consumers being as high as $25 billion in Western New York alone is eye opening and does not account for the non-monetary costs should the power grid be unable to support the demand increase necessary for winter heating and electric vehicles.

Please reconsider the need for natural gas and its reliable delivery system as you determine the future of New York's energy footprint.

Sincerely,
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