

**DRAFT Resolution Opposing the Use of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) or
Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) in Response to New York State Electric
and Gas's Non-pipe Alternative Request for Proposal**

WHEREAS, The Town of Dryden appreciates that NYSEG has asked for the community's views on whether NYSEG's injecting natural gas into the local system using trucks to transport Compressed Natural Gas or Liquefied Natural Gas is a suitable alternative under the NYSEG RFP. and

WHEREAS, The Town of Dryden is one of the communities where Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) or Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) would be loaded under a proposal in response to the request for proposals, and

WHEREAS Tompkins County has made a commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHG) at least 80% by 2050 and the 2016 Tompkins County Energy Roadmap concludes that the community must reduce the use of natural gas by at least 50% to achieve that goal, and

WHEREAS Town of Dryden officials have and continue to work diligently to further sustainable, energy efficient development in Dryden as a complement to our County's sustainability and emission-reduction goals, and the trucking of CNG and LNG to increase the use of natural gas/methane would directly contradict our Town officials' work. and

WHEREAS, New York State Electric and Gas's (NYSEG) proposed Freeville - Lansing pipeline generated strong community opposition, and the County's 2016 Energy and Economic Development Task Force's top recommendation was to seek a solution that would meet the community's energy needs without increasing reliance on natural gas, and

WHEREAS, considering these community goals, on November 16,2017, the New York State (NYS) Public Service Commission (PSC) issued an order authorizing NYSEG to implement a compressor solution to meet reliability needs for existing customers, and to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for non-pipe alternatives to meet future demand, in lieu of the previously proposed pipeline, and

WHEREAS, on December 18,2017, NYSEG issued the RFP seeking non-pipe alternatives and clarified in their February 9, 2018, "Questions and Answers and RFP Clarification" document that they were seeking responses that would "introduce additional gas supply (or reduce current gas demand) into/on the System", and

WHEREAS, one method of adding gas to a system is to transport compressed natural gas (CNG) or Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) by truck and inject it into the system, and

WHEREAS, NYSEG's RFP states (Section II, C. Eligible Resources): "Resources may be in the form of any or all of the following resource types... Introduction of CNG, LNG to the extent allowed and supported by the community....", and

WHEREAS, injection of CNG or LNG would result in expanded use of natural gas which is counter to Tompkins County's goal to decrease use of natural gas to achieve GHG emissions reduction, and

WHEREAS, transportation of CNG or LNG on local roads introduces significant safety risks and adds wear and tear to our roads, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town of Dryden opposes the injection of CNG or LNG as a non-pipe alternative solution in response to NYSEG's non-pipe alternatives RFP,

RESOLVED, further, That the Clerk send a certified copy of this resolution to Joseph Syta, Vice President-Controller and Treasurer at NYSEG and to Hon. Kathleen Burgess Secretary, New York State Public Service Commission (docket number 17-G-0432).

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