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Media Advisory: Wednesday, March 10, 6:00PM
100+ community members expected to speak at first public hearing against fracked gas expansion in Greenpoint

What: Public Hearing before the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) on National Grid’s application to add two new liquefied fracked gas (LNG) vaporizers at its Greenpoint storage depot.

When: Wednesday, March 10 at 6pm

Where: To join online go to www.webex.com and click “Join a meeting.”
      Event Number: 129 837 7803
      Password: March11-1PM

Who: Concerned community members and North Brooklyn elected officials

Why: Corporate utility National Grid has applied for an air permit from the DEC to add two new LNG vaporizers to its Greenpoint storage facility on Newtown Creek. The vaporizers would allow National Grid to pump out more fracked gas from the facility, through the connected and widely opposed North Brooklyn Pipeline.

So many community members have signed up to speak out against the controversial project that the DEC announced additional hearings on March 11th at 1pm and 5pm and March 18 at 5pm.

Community members say National Grid has done no outreach to them about the expansion in their neighborhood, which has suffered from decades of industrial pollution. Public hearings are being held because thousands of public comments have already been submitted against the project.

Comments filed by community advocates said the DEC has conducted a segmented review of the project and must also consider the pipeline and proposals to truck in fracked gas to the facility. Comments have also called for a more thorough environmental review considering the long polluted history of the site and its vulnerability to climate change.

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