Resolution #104

Introduced by Legislator: Sam Oliverio, Jr. on behalf of the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee at a Regular Meeting held on May 6, 2014.

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RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ALGONQUIN INCREMENTAL MARKET (AIM) PROJECT

WHEREAS, Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Spectra Energy Partners, submitted Resource Report #9 in Docket # CP14-96-000, which does not reflect aggregate (existing and proposed) and cumulative emissions from compressor stations, metering stations, and pipelines in the entire Algonquin Incremental Market project; and

WHEREAS, impacts from the current AIM project infrastructure have not been fully evaluated to establish a baseline for air quality; and

WHEREAS, peer-reviewed scientific studies indicate that emissions from compressor stations and other shale gas infrastructure are associated with negative health impacts; and

WHEREAS, peer-reviewed scientific studies and the World Health Organization link exposure between air pollution and neurological, cardiovascular, respiratory and other health impacts; and

WHEREAS, the current emissions will be significantly increased by the expansion of the Southeast and Stony Point compressor stations, and the region including Putnam, Rockland and Westchester counties is already considered a non-attainment zone for air quality standards according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and exceeds the limits for air pollutants such as ground level ozone; and

WHEREAS, the location of the AIM pipeline within close proximity to the Indian Point Nuclear Facility and 40 years of spent fuel rods, and in close proximity to a significant seismic zone, poses a risk of catastrophic damage with profound long-term impacts on the region; and

WHEREAS, municipalities may bear costs involved with emergency training, equipment including up-to-date foam to extinguish fires, and first response to a pipeline, compressor or metering station event; and

WHEREAS, Algonquin Gas Transmission LLC and Spectra Energy Partners may not have adequate resources or insurance coverage to reimburse municipalities for costs borne by the municipality should an event occur that requires emergency response by first responders; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that an independent air emissions baseline assessment be conducted in the areas directly impacted by the compressor and pretering stations

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modifications, by an independent expert acceptable to industry, local government officials, advocates and the public, funded by industry, and that continuous emissions monitoring be conducted with transparent record keeping as stringent as possible; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the best mitigation technology available be required to be installed on every possible component of AIM's compressor and metering stations including selective catalytic reduction, zero emission dehydrators, blow down prevention, vapor recovery units, and methane capturing equipment outlined by the U.S. EPA, and that there be a public hearing for the permits for each compressor station; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a comprehensive and transparent Health Impact Assessment (HIA), as outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and the National Academy of Sciences, be conducted by an independent entity acceptable to industry, local government officials, advocates and the public, and funded by industry; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this comprehensive and transparent Health Impact Assessment (HIA) cover cumulative short-term and long-term, as well as direct and indirect impacts of all infrastructure components of the AIM project, including compressor stations emissions and blow downs, metering and regulating stations emissions, and pipeline leakage prior to construction, during construction, during normal operations and during blow downs and accidental release events, with a thorough analysis of all materials and contaminants in the pipeline, including radium precipitate, radon and its decay products, lead and polonium; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a comprehensive, independent risk assessment of the potential catastrophic explosion of a 42" diameter high pressure pipeline in close proximity to Indian Point Nuclear Facility be conducted, and that the assessment should be funded by industry; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC and Spectra Energy Partners provide a full cost analysis and procurement of emergency supplies, equipment and training for local first response teams to respond to events related to the Algonquin Pipeline Expansion (AIM) project, including fires, explosions, leaks, spills, problems and evacuations due to blow down releases and other incidents; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Algonquin Transmission, LLC and Spectra Energy Partners provide proof of insurance or self-insurance represented by segregated cash

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reserves for all potential costs and expenses involved with maintenance and responding to emergencies and mitigating damages as a result of any incident relating to or resulting from the Algonquin Pipeline Expansion (AIM) Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a Moratorium be enacted on this project, until such air emissions baseline assessment, Health Impact Assessment (HIA), and risk assessment are completed and reviewed by industry, local government officials and advocates and the public, health impacts are fully addressed and mitigated that fully protect and preserve the health and safety of residents and evidence of acceptable levels insurance and self-insurance represented by segregated cash reserves, as aforesaid, are presented and approved by all interested parties; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

BY ROLL CALL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY - LEGISLATOR WRIGHT. MOTION CARRIES.



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Dated:

May 9, 2014

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Diane Schonfeld
Clerk Of The Legislature Of Putnam County

Resolution #163

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APPROVAL/FORWARD RESOLUTION #104 OF 2014 /ALGONQUIN GAS TRANSMISSION, LLC PROJECT

WHEREAS, by Resolution #104 of 2014 the Putnam County Legislature adopted a resolution requesting a moratorium be enacted on the Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC request for a pipeline expansion project with its compressor station that impacts the pipeline that runs through the Town of Southeast in the County of Putnam; and

WHEREAS, various different agencies are involved in granting the required approval for this project; and

WHEREAS, Putnam County has been requested to forward to each agency a copy of the moratorium resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Health, Social, Educational & Environmental Committee has considered and approved of this request; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Putnam County Legislature send a copy of Resolution #104 of 2014 to each of the agencies contained in the attached list marked Exhibit "A" and request that no permit be issued until the measures called for in the resolution are fully executed.

BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. ONE NAY – LEGISLATOR WRIGHT. MOTION CARRIES.

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I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution passed by the Putnam County Legislature while in session on July 1, 2014.

Dated: _

July 3, 2014

Signed:

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk Of The Legislature Of Putnam County

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Required permit: Coastal Zone Consistency Review

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Required permits: SPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit

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Resolution #182

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APPROVAL/ALGONQUIN INCREMENTAL MARKET (AIM) PROJECT/ NOTIFICATION OF BLOWDOWNS

WHEREAS, by Resolution #104 of 2014 and Resolution #163 of 2014 the Putnam County Legislature requested that a moratorium be enacted along with other requirements on the application of Algonquin Gas Transmission, LLC. and Spectra Energy Partners for an upgrade and expansion of an existing gas transmission line; and

WHEREAS, there is presently no advance notification requirements for planned compressor stations and other gas pipeline infrastructure and operation blowdowns; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that advanced notification of all planned blowdowns and notification within 30 minutes following unplanned blowdowns, including partial or full blowdowns, be provided to all residents, police and fire departments, municipal officials, including local, state and federal officials of all communities in proximity to compressor stations and to the County of Putnam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to each of the agencies contained in Resolution #163 of 2014.

BY POLL VOTE: ALL AYES. LEGISLATOR SCUCCIMARRA WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIES.

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I hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution passed by the Putnam County Legislature while in session on August 5, 2014.

Dated:

August 7, 2014

Signed:

Diane Schonfeld
Clerk Of The Legislature Of Putnam County