



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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Calling for a State Energy Plan based on Renewable Sources

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On February 20, I submitted testimony to the New York State Energy Planning Board regarding its 2014 Draft New York State Energy Plan. I thanked Board members for adhering to the state's commitment to reduce greenhouse gases by 80% by the year 2050, but asked them to reconsider their heavy reliance on natural gas as a means to displace coal, oil and nuclear power. While I heartily support a reduction in the use of these dirty and dangerous energy sources, I believe that they should be replaced by renewable sources rather than natural gas extracted through the dangerous process of hydrofracking. Please see my testimony below.