

NEW YORK STATE SENATOR Michelle Hinchey

Senator Michelle Hinchey Applauds DEC's Decision to Deny Danskammer and Astoria Power Plant Applications

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ALBANY, NY (October 27, 2021) – Today, State Senator Michelle Hinchey (SD-46) issued the following statement after the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) announced that they have denied the Title V air permit applications for the Danskammer Energy Center in the Town of Newburgh and the Astoria Gas Turbine Power in Queens.

"To effectively fight the climate crisis, we need to end the era of dangerous and

unsustainable fossil fuel infrastructure in New York and move toward the clean and renewable energy systems of the future. The DEC's nation-leading decision to deny permits for the Danskammer and Astoria fracked-gas power plants is a long-fought outcome that solidifies New York's commitment to putting the health of our communities and economy first.

"I want to thank the many community organizers, activists, and environmental groups that have led the charge in this fight. I've been proud to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with local residents and leaders in calling for an end to these climate-damaging projects, and I commend Governor Kathy Hochul and DEC Commissioner Basil Seggos for their leadership to bring us closer to meeting the essential goals of the CLCPA."

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