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GOVERNOR APPROVES THREE STEPS TOWARD MEETING GOALS OF CLIMATE LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY PROTECTION ACT (CLCPA)

NYPIRG Applauds Move and Urges Governor to Sign Cryptocurrency Moratorium Act, and Include All-Electric Building Act and EV Car Charging Station Expansion Bill in 2023 Executive Budget

Lack of Action Jeopardizes State's Ability to Meet CLCPA's 2030 Target

(Albany) The Governor signed into law three significant climate bills today that help place New York in the national forefront on energy efficient standards, expansion of geothermal renewable energy, and a just transition for geothermal and solar union jobs. NYPIRG commends Governor Kathy Hochul for signing into law the *Advanced Appliance & Buildings Standards Act* and the *Utility Thermal Energy Network & Jobs Act*. The Governor also signed a bill to require prevailing wages for solar panel renewable energy jobs. NYPIRG urges the Governor to take three more timely steps to address the climate crisis.”

“We applaud Governor Hochul for signing into law three landmark bills, providing a national model on how to effectively address three key components of the nation’s climate crisis,” said Anne Rabe, Environmental Policy Director of NYPIRG. “The UN says it is now or never and we must take action to address the climate crisis. We must halve our carbon emissions in the next eight years or we will not have a livable planet. Therefore, we urge the Governor to quickly commit to three more urgent steps to address the climate crisis.”

“Sign the bill that hits the appropriate pause button on *proof-of-work cryptocurrency mining*, in light of the Department of Environmental Conservation’s recent denial of the permit renewal for the Greenidge facility, S.6486-D/A.7389-C. Address the state’s biggest greenhouse gas (GHG) emitters—the building and transportation sectors—and the lack of action by the Legislature by committing to include in your 2023-24 Executive Budget the *All-Electric Building Act* (AEBA), S.6843-C/A.8341-B, and the *Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station Expansion Act*, S.7406C/A.3179D.”

The All-Electric Building Act, S.6843-C/A.8341-B, embodies the Climate Action Council’s recommendation to pass legislation in 2022 to require new buildings to be all electric, starting with smaller buildings in 2024 and larger buildings in 2027 – and tracks New York City’s law.

The Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station Expansion Act, S.7406C/A.3179D, requires the installation of EV car charging stations when building new residential and commercial buildings with off-street parking or parking lots.

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