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NYPIRG STATEMENT ON GOVERNOR HOCHUL SIGNING BILL TO END THE “100-FOOT RULE”

“Victory! Governor Hochul Signs Legislation to End the ‘100-foot’ Rule”

(New York) Today, Governor Hochul signed a bill to repeal the 100-foot rule, saving gas customers up to \$600 million each year. This bill eliminates the current ratepayer-funded subsidies to gas companies for the connection of new gas customers whose buildings are located within 100 feet of the gas distribution line (the “100-Foot Rule”).

The following statement is attributable to Eric Wood, Senior Environmental Program Coordinator for NYPIRG:

"Signing the bill to end the 100-foot rule is an important step to address the dual crises of energy affordability and climate devastation that New Yorkers continue to be burdened with. We applaud the Governor's decision and hope this is a sign that the state's top leadership recognizes that ending reliance on fossil fuels is the answer to the energy affordability crisis."