

These are the elected officials that should be contacted by all landowners and all those interested in seeing Marcellus Drilling move forward without any unnecessary delay. A suggested list of topics that one should utilize when contacted these individuals is listed below. Please do what you can, immediately. Any delay in contacting these individuals will be devastating!!!

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The real effect of what any moratorium on Marcellus Gas Drilling will cause-

- Politicians will be held accountable-

Upstate voters are attributing the delay in drilling to actions that are being initiated by downstate politicians.

- The environment will be less protected-

Landowner coalitions will fragment and the strong lease documents that they are insisting be signed will be replaced by generic gas company leases

- Farm land and family farms will be lost-

Farmers are suffering a terrible economic crisis. They will be going out of business and selling their family farms to the highest bidder, likely out of state land speculators

- The upstate NY economy (region) will continue to suffer-

The natural gas industry is ready to inject a much-needed stimulus into the region. This will account for a huge economic boost to the area

- Upstate communities will continue becoming ghost towns-

Retail establishments will accelerate the trend to closing their doors and there is nothing on the horizon to indicate that there might be any new investment coming

- Loss of jobs and loss of population-

There are no opportunities for jobs in upstate. Our populace is leaving the area in search of some security and our young citizens see no future in remaining upstate

- Loss of tax revenue-

With the continued stagnation of the upstate economy, the burden of paying for services fall on fewer entities, causing hikes in property tax & loss of sales tax revenue. Municipalities and school districts are

reducing programs, services, and employment due to reduced revenue

- **Speculators will purchase distressed property**

Landowners who cannot continue their livelihood will sell their farmland to the highest bidder-likely an out of state speculator who cares nothing except how to maximize their investment

- **Our security will continue to be at risk-**

Producing domestic natural gas will minimize our dependency on foreign energy. Countries who are now getting NYS energy money threaten our, and our allies security

There simply is no rational reason to continue to delay natural gas production in New York State. Our own DEC has developed the nation's most stringent set of environmental guidelines, and together with incredibly strong landowner leases, the environment will be protected and our state will prosper with this opportunity.