Power utilities should be provided a progressive tax break by NY State for providing incentives to their customers to NOT use energy/electricity, so that conservation could become second nature to New Yorkers. Currently all of NY city is lit at night when noone is in the offices: TVs remain on when noone is watching. Folks don't use energy conserving power strips which could carry a rebate for NYS consumers, etc. With regard to the impending gas drilling in NY state, this industry should be required to adhere to the same regualtions as a local laundomat's mandates, etc. in terms of DEC regs regarding effluents and subsequent water quality locally. If NY state has massive toxicity in water tables/aquifers, it will have nothing to sell and no industry taxes to reap. And the cost of heavy machinery on roads and super-fund cleanup costs will dwarf any tax profits made for NY state in the short run. Thank you for the opportunity to comment. I hope these general ideas will have some merit to those reading/listening and making decisions for the health and future of our residents. Sincerely, Ilse Funk 238 Mill Rd Cherry Valley, NY 13320