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Our state's energy plan should be to increase energy efficiency through conservation. We should not allow the production of gas from the Marcellus and Utica Shales and other unconventional gas formations. The environmental and economic costs of allowing these types of production would be very damaging to long term ability of our state to provide healthy homes and jobs to people living here. Please study the experiences of the states that have allowed horizontal drilling and hydrofracking. We must not make the mistakes these state have made. Please permit the children of New York to have a healthy future. Permit a healthy future, not more gas drilling!