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Comment: I am writing to oppose the Safe Harbor liquefied natural gas island proposal put forward by the Atlantic Sea Island Group. This project would tear up over 100 acres of the ocean floor, most likely displacing tons of trash and toxic waste that had been dumped over the years before it was outlawed. It would house incredibly flammable and explosive liquefied natural gas out in the middle of an ocean that sometimes sees fifty-foot waves. I don't even want to think about what might happen during a hurricane. As a consequence, its construction is opposed by the Long Beach City Council, Rockaways legislators, and local residents. The potential for harm is incalculable. It wouldn't bring jobs to the area. It wouldn't help New York State find clean, alternative energy. When gas is liquefied and then turned back into gas, the pollution is much more significant than burning oil, losing all the advantages we usually associate with natural gas as a heating fuel. In short, this is a project dreamed up by lobbyists and backed by big money. It has no redeeming value for our communities. Please reject it in your 2009 NYS Energy Plan.