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Subject: Cricket Valley energy

Dear Sir: LET US NOT HAVE ANOTHER FIASCO like Iroquois pumping station, adjacent to my property on Dover Furnace Rd. First I was never notified according to regulations, second there were never any baseline studies done as to air and water quality in the surrounding areas, third there are no provisions or funds to test the environment in the adjacent areas. The only pollution that is monitored is the stack itself. Who cares about this, it is lethal at the point of exit of the stack and is suppose to dissipate according to a computer model. Guess what, it does not dissipate according to your models. I was forced to move several times on my own property because of fumes and lost tenants and income because of the same. My wife had lung cancer and a number of other people developed cancer in the vicinity of this plant. Yes, 30 tons of carcinogenic material spews from this stack year and the new plant proposes 300 tons per year. All agencies REFUSED to monitor the surrounding air quality and water. Again, who cares about the stack of the new plant at the point of discharge. I care about the dissipation of this toxic discharge in the surrounding areas. What goes up must come down. I request baseline studies of pre-existing air and water quality; I request monitoring devices be placed not only on my property but on other areas around the Town.

I want to know how what is going on up there is effecting what goes on down here. Where is this 300 tons of toxic particulate material going to settle? What thermal effect will the BTU output have on adjacent properties. I believe these are very reasonable requests and would safeguard the surrounding area against pollution. In addition, what safeguards are there in place if the levels of pollution in the surrounding areas become unacceptable? Does the plant shut down or do we suffer and get sick? Unfortunately, I think I know the answer to this question. I have experienced the lack of enforcement concerning the DEC in the past. I complained of raw sewerage being discharged into Mill Creek from High Meadows. They had a SPEDPS permit. Nothing was ever done or even investigated. It would have been quite simple to pull floating sewerage from the stream next to my house. Very cost effective approach to monitoring, I would think. In addition I requested that the air quality be monitored when there were air inversions and the fumes were unbearable from Iroquois pipeline. Again no response, no assistance. I have to wonder why? Of course if there were no documentation of ground level pollution it was not a problem. It only becomes a problem when pollution is empirically identified. No identification and documentation, no problem, really quite logical. I respectfully request that this pattern does not continue and that the safeguards that I outlined be put into effect.

Sincerely;

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