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County Executive Jen Metzger Seeks Revisions to Fortis-Central Hudson's Climate Change Resilience Plan

KINGSTON, NY - Ulster County Executive Jen Metzger has released her letter to the Chair of the New York State Public Service Commission calling for revisions to Fortis-Central Hudson's Climate Change Resilience Plan.

“We applaud the requirement that New York’s utilities develop climate resilience plans but are concerned that Fortis-Central Hudson’s plan falls short in important respects. We urge the Commission not to accept this plan in its current form. The plan should be revised to include more robust and effective solutions to bolstering community resilience, such as residential storage programs and more robust protection from flooding, based on appropriate design standards. The plan must also be more transparent with regard to the extent and location of projects to underground lines. Finally, and importantly, the plan must include a section on emergency management coordination, protection of critical emergency infrastructure, and specifics about how the plan will bolster the resilience of our most vulnerable residents,”
writes County Executive Metzger.

The five-page letter details a series of revisions and improvements for Fortis-Central Hudson's Climate Resiliency Plan, and is attached, in full, to this release.

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