

## Petition to Stop the Algonquin Pipeline Expansion

### Mansfield Town Council:

- Whereas global warming is damaging the health and well-being of people throughout the world and will do much more damage in the future if the burning of fossil fuels is not stopped,
- Whereas natural gas is a greenhouse gas that contributes to global warming and traps 34 times more heat than carbon dioxide,
- Whereas natural gas leakage from natural gas production and transmission are 25% to 33% of all emissions of natural gas into the air which is equivalent to releasing 50 million tons of carbon dioxide into the air every year,
- Whereas the burning of natural gas produces carbon dioxide that remains for 300 to 1000 years in the air,
- Whereas the AIM and Access Northeast expansions of the Algonquin Pipeline will increase the amount of natural gas transmitted through Connecticut,
- Whereas the expansion of the Pipeline will increase the production of natural gas from hydraulic fracking in Pennsylvania,
- Whereas a recent scientific study shows that expanding natural gas production could increase carbon dioxide emissions by 11% by 2050,
- Whereas climate scientists are in agreement that the temperature increase since the year 2000 cannot exceed two degrees Fahrenheit without catastrophic damage to our planet,
- Whereas a scientific study shows that 50% of all natural gas reserves need to be unused from 2010 to 20250 to avoid exceeding two degrees Fahrenheit,

We the undersigned ask the Town of Mansfield to pass a resolution calling upon our state legislators to oppose the expansion of the Algonquin Pipeline through Mansfield including increasing the capacity of the Chaplin Compressor Station at 530 Tower Hill Road.

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