

**Stop The Minisink Compressor Station/
Minisink Residents for Environmental Preservation and Safety**

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New Line-up of Speakers Featured at Rally in Minisink, NY Saturday, Feb.16th

Minisink, New York, Feb.14, 2013 – The rally originally scheduled for Feb.9th has been rescheduled for Saturday, Feb.16th, as winter storm conditions prevented safe travel last weekend. Several notable guests are expected to attend and speak at this Saturday’s event: **Denise Katzman** of Sane Energy Project, **Paul Gallay** of Hudson Riverkeeper, **Greg Lynn** of Peaceweavers, **Angela Monti Fox** of The Mothers Project, **Tanyette Colon** of Mothers United for Sustainable Technologies, well-known activists **Vera Scroggins** and **Dr. Larysa Dyrszka**, **Jon Bowermaster**, director of “Dear Governor Cuomo,” and prominent 9-11 First Responder advocate, **John Feal**.

The community of Minisink is battling the construction of NiSource/Millennium Pipeline’s 12,260 horsepower natural gas compressor station in the middle of their residentially and agriculturally zoned town. The case is highly unusual in that residents of Minisink came up with an alternative plan, siting compression at an industrial site already owned by Millennium; this proposal received a rare 3-2 split vote by commissioners at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Construction of the project is nonetheless rapidly underway, and the community has petitioned the U.S. Court of Appeals for a stay of construction, pending a full hearing of their case currently before the court. The case challenges approval of the project by FERC- a process that claimed 18 months and yielded controversial results. Minisink residents are demanding their right to due process.

The rally will begin at 12:30 p.m., and will be held directly across from the construction site at 107 Jacobs Road in Westtown, New York, a hamlet of the town of Minisink.

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