

TOWN OF LONG LAKE



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National Grid
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To Whom it May Concern:

The Town Supervisor has been in discussion with representatives of the National Grid regarding Project CAMP following the public information session in Raquette Lake on May 23rd. National Grid has invited a letter concerning the Project from the Town. Town Board Members are elected to represent the will of the constituents of the Town of Long Lake, which includes both the Hamlet of Raquette Lake and the Hamlet of Long Lake.

It is crystal clear to us that the people we represent do not want a battery energy storage system, as currently planned, anywhere in our Town. The concerns expressed by our community cover every aspect of life that makes the Adirondack Park, the Town of Long Lake, and the Hamlets of Raquette Lake and Long Lake so special. Our observation is that if this project goes forward as planned, it has far too high of a potential to cause long-lasting scars in the character and overall community well-being going forward. With all of this taken together, it is the conclusion of each Town Board member individually that this has become a community health and safety issue that we must avert.

We below signed Town Board members therefore request that National Grid and REV Renewables cease further work to place a battery energy storage system within the Town of Long Lake, and especially within the heart of the pristine Hamlet of Raquette Lake.

We appreciate National Grid's efforts to address the reliability issues with the electricity supply in Raquette Lake. With more community input from the very beginning, we would welcome a discussion with National Grid concerning other solutions in better suited locations. Raquette Lakers and Long Lakers have made it clear to us that this solution is not wanted here. While this solution may be the answer for areas outside of the Adirondack Park, our residents understand that we have been and must continue to stand against the seemingly abstruse developmental trends of the rest of the world in order to conserve this natural treasure.

Sincerely,

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RE: [EXTERNAL] Fwd:

2 messages

Fox, Richard <Richard.Fox@nationalgrid.com>
To: Town Supervisor <supervisor@mylonglake.com>

Fri, Jun 16 at 8:01 AM

Good morning Clay in response to your letter sent via e-mail on 06/13/23 we offer the following statement:

National Grid appreciates the collaborative partnership it has developed with our customers in Raquette Lake. The company respects the town of Long Lake's concerns regarding the proposed Central Adirondack Microgrid Project in Raquette Lake. We are committed to delivering reliable energy to each of our 1.7 million electric customers in upstate New York, and we will continue to work with local residents and community leaders to explore opportunities that enhance service and reliability for our customers along Route 28 in an affordable way.

Regards

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