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Long Island needs a publicly-owned, controlled, and managed power system – and the transition to such a system should begin now.

It's time to establish new standards for accountability, equity, resilience, and democracy in our energy systems – and to create an institution that's equipped to meet these standards, as well as prevent climate change by moving off fossil fuels.

PSEG can't fix the problem because they are the problem: The evidence is clear this New Jersey-based company is incapable of providing the service Long Island needs. PSEG has shown it cannot be trusted: It lied about its preparedness for the storm, its immediate response to the storm, and the number of upgrades it made afterwards. Public power works. Across the country and on Long Island, publicly owned utilities have proven to be more affordable and reliable for residential customers. They are more responsive to customer needs with shorter outage times.

LIPA has estimated that it can save nearly \$1 billion over the next decade by opting for municipalization. To help prevent climate catastrophe, these savings can be invested in providing 100% clean, renewable energy.