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**Your Comment**

To the LIPA Board of Trustees & LIPA Staff,

Please find attached below the Long Island Progressive Coalition's public comment for the Long Island Power Authority Phase II Options Analysis: Moving Forward After Tropical Storm Isaias.

Our comments communicate that the LIPA Board must terminate its contract with PSEG-LI, not solicit inquiry from other private providers, and instead commit to a new paradigm of energy management on Long Island through municipalization with the support of relevant decision-makers across New York State. The comments include:

- 1) Background on the organizing history around this issue.
- 2) A copy of the Reimagine LIPA statement which consists of 35 signatories from environmental organizations, grassroots community groups, civil rights organizations, reproductive healthcare providers, statewide climate justice coalitions, business associations, women's groups, Indigenous groups, and faith organizations in support of LIPA moving away from the failed public-private partnership model.
- 3) A copy of the letter sent by 15 State lawmakers from Long Island and Rockaway to Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo calling for LIPA to terminate its contract with PSEG-LI and to instead transition LIPA to a fully public power authority.
- 4) A project proposal for formalizing a relationship with a university-based Long Island Energy Observatory, an independent non-governmental organization whose mission is to convene stakeholders, conduct research, and promote sustained, inclusive public engagement in the pursuit of an innovative, affordable, and reliable power system.

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