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Your energy plan is deficient in a number of ways including in its characterization of 'natural gas'. 'Natural' gas is not, as you claim, a renewable energy source. Nor will it help us reach our goal to reduce CO2 emissions by a minimum of 80% by 2050. Current water treatment facilities are inadequate to handle waste-water from shale gas drilling operations so, barring a State mandate (that does not exist at the moment) to create suitable treatment facilities to handle an unprecedented amount of this waste-water, such operations would irreversibly RUIN New York State's water supplies. You do not address the serious energy-intensive mitigation methods which would be required to replace contaminated water sources with new sources and so your energy plan does not reflect the true energy-impacts of the energy mix you propose. Finally your Department of Environmental Conservation provided false testimony about the energy- and water-intensive nature of proposed shale gas drilling (Herkimer, Utica, and Marcellus formations) and therefore did not reveal to legislators for their consideration the true impacts on New York State's economy, environment, and public health.