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## NGSA Statement on New York Denial of Permit to Constitution Pipeline

(Washington, D.C.) – Following the announcement that the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) denied permitting to the Constitution Pipeline despite the certificate granted to the pipeline by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Dena E. Wiggins, president and CEO of the Natural Gas Supply Association, made the following statement:

"We are very disappointed by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's decision to deny a '401' permit to the Constitution Pipeline. This short-sighted action limits the economic growth potential of New York's businesses and citizens and deprives other states reliable access to natural gas supplies that are needed for clean electricity, winter heating and industrial manufacturing.

As New York's government officials and state agencies surely realize, natural gas is an essential part of meeting the state and region's ambitious clean energy objectives and pipelines are essential to delivering that gas."

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