



NY GEO SUPPORTS the NY HEAT Act and the Geothermal Tax Credit Expansion Act

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Dear Governor Hochul,

As a stakeholder in the geothermal heating and cooling industry, NY-GEO, along with 130 attendees of our NY-GEO 2025 Conference in Saratoga Springs, is writing to express our strong support for the inclusion of the NY HEAT Act S.4158/A.4870A and the Geothermal Tax Credit Expansion Act A.1591/S.4882 in this year's budget, as key components of NY's Clean Energy Transition.

It is a matter of fairness!

NY HEAT: NY's laws are currently stacked in favor of gas heating, forcing ratepayers to pay for free gas pipes for those within 100 feet of a gas main and forcing utilities to provide gas as opposed superior, climate-positive heating services like geothermal that can cut heating bills and lower costs to ratepayers. With all NY HEAT does to protect families, create jobs, increase equity, and make it possible to meet the requirements of New York's Climate Law (CLCPA), NY HEAT deserves a place in the State Budget.

GEOTHERMAL TAX CREDIT: Geothermal tax credits deserve parity with solar tax credits. Both the Assembly and Senate have included the solar tax credit bill in their proposed budgets, but only the Senate included the geothermal tax credit. The expanded geothermal tax credit would raise the cap on the tax credit in light of inflation while making the credit refundable, expanding access to this cost-saving technology to many households for whom geothermal is currently out of reach. Note that as compared to the solar tax credit, the geothermal tax credit will be less expensive for the state as there are fewer geothermal installations than solar. New Yorkers need and deserve both.

We are watching for New York to lead the way. Please don't let us down!

Signed by over 130 NY-GEO 2025 Conference Attendees:

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who install and advocate for the use of ground-source heat pumps to heat and cool buildings throughout New York State.