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The Honorable Kathy Hochul
Governor of New York State
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RE: Comments on Part 252 Reporting Rule

The New York Geothermal Energy Organization (NY-GEO) is very encouraged that the Hochul Administration has released the greenhouse gas reporting rule, as promised in the State of the State. This action is especially important at a time when pollution reporting and transparency are being dismantled in Washington.

Currently, toxic pollution is being released into our air without sufficient accountability. This regulation is crucial for holding polluters responsible and implementing solutions that will improve the health and well-being of all New Yorkers.

To truly hold polluters accountable, create jobs, clean our air, and deliver investments in transportation and other vital infrastructure, such as fossil-free geothermal for heating and cooling buildings in New York State, we urge the Administration to advance the next two rules required for implementing New York's cap-and-invest program.

Cap and Invest is essential to set a limit on fossil fuel use in New York, a limit that will progressively decrease until we achieve our climate goals and contribute to climate stabilization. The funds generated by cap and invest are also essential to help reduce New Yorkers' energy bills and transition away from fossil fuels.

NY-GEO believes that the current moment offers a significant opportunity to improve the quality of life for all New Yorkers while positively shaping our climate future. We urge Governor Hochul to release all three sets of cap-and-invest regulations immediately and no longer delay the cap-and-invest process. There is still critical work ahead, and we need to advance a clean air program that provides meaningful benefits for all New Yorkers.

Respectfully,
Christine Hoffer
Executive Director
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About NY-GEO:

New York Geothermal Energy Organization (NY-GEO), a non-profit trade association represents the geothermal heat pump (GHP) industry in New York State. Our members include GHP system designers, installers, drillers, general contractors, engineers, manufacturers, distributors, utilities, state agencies, consultants, and industry stakeholders who install and advocate for the use of ground-source heat pumps to heat and cool buildings throughout New York State.