

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

## Iroquois Enhancement by Compression (ExC) Project

### In-Person Public Meetings

May 13, 2024 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at:  
Wingdale Elementary School  
6413 State Route 55  
Wingdale, New York 12594

May 14, 2024 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at:  
E.J. Arthur Elementary School  
51 Third Street  
Athens, New York 12015

### Virtual Public Meeting

May 16, 2024 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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Iroquois Gas Transmission System, LP, has submitted applications to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) for modifications to its Air State Facility permits for its Dover Compressor Station (ID No. 3-1326-00211/00001) and Athens Compressor Station (ID No. 4-1922-00049/00004) related to its proposed Enhancement by Compression Project.

The NYSDEC has determined that the Project may affect the Disadvantaged Communities (“DACs”) located adjacent to and near the Project. A Public Participation Plan has been developed for the Project in accordance with NYSDEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29). The purpose of these meetings is to inform stakeholders within the DACs about the Project and to involve the community during the permit application review process.

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#### **Registration Required for Virtual Meeting**

To Register: email name and address or affiliation to: [amcmullin@burnsmcd.com](mailto:amcmullin@burnsmcd.com)

A confirmation with link and instructions on how to participate will be provided.

### Agenda:

- Project Overview
- Background
- Potential Community Impact
- Proposed Mitigation Measures
- Additional Mitigation and DAC Benefits
- How to Submit Questions/Comments

## **Your Attendance is Important!**

For additional information regarding the Project:

- Contact: Robert Perless, ExC Project Director by phone at (203) 944-7016 or by email at Robert\_perless@iroquois.com
- Visit the Project's document repository at:
  - <https://www.iroquois.com/operations/projects/exc-project/>
- Contact the project liaison to request reasonable accommodation for a disability or interpreter services in a language other than English, so that you can participate in the call and/or to request a translation of any of the event documents into a language other than English.

# **Fact Sheet**

## **Iroquois Enhancement by Compression (ExC) Project**

- Project: Iroquois Enhancement by Compression (ExC) Project
- Applicant: Iroquois Gas Transmission System, LP
- Facility: Dover Compressor Station, 186 Dover Furnace Road, Dover Plains, New York 12522
- Athens Compressor Station, 915 Schoharie Turnpike, Athens, New York 12015
- NYSDEC Application Number: Dover Compressor Station 3-1326-00211/00001; Athens Compressor Station 4-1922-00049/00004

A Public Participation Plan (PPP) has been developed in accordance with NYSDEC Commissioner Policy 29, Environmental Justice and Permitting (CP-29)

### **What is the Proposed Project?**

Iroquois' Enhancement by Compression Project (the "ExC Project" or the "Project") proposes the installation of four new approximately 12,000 horsepower ("hp") turbines with associated cooling, filter separators, and other ancillary facilities at Iroquois' existing compressor stations. The new turbines will be integrated at the existing Athens Compressor Station in the Town of Athens, Greene County, New York, the existing Dover Compressor Station in Town of Dover, Dutchess County, New York, and the existing Brookfield Compressor Station in the Town of Brookfield, Fairfield County, Connecticut. Gas cooling and associated piping will be added to Iroquois' existing Milford Compressor Station in the City of Milford, New Haven County, CT.

To implement the proposed Project, Iroquois has submitted applications to the NYSDEC for modifications to the Air State Facility Permits for Iroquois' Athens Compressor Station located at 915 Schoharie Turnpike, Athens, New York (DEC ID No. 4-1922-00049) and Dover Compressor Station located at 186 Dover Furnace Road, Dover Plains, New York 12522 (DEC ID No. 3-1326-00211).

### **Why does Iroquois need to construct the ExC Project?**

The purpose of the Project is to supply each Con Edison and National Grid with incremental firm natural gas transportation service to serve each of their respective local distribution company service territories. The Project is needed to ensure that Con Edison and National Grid have sufficient pipeline capacity available to meet their customers' demand for natural gas on the coldest winter days.

On March 25, 2022, FERC issued an Order pursuant to Section 7 of the Natural Gas Act finding that "the public convenience and necessity requires approval of the Enhancement by Compression Project." On February 26, 2024, the New York Department of Public Service "determined that the ExC Project is necessary to ensure Con Edison's and National Grid's continued provision of safe, adequate, and reliable gas service to customers in the downstate region."

### **How might the project affect the surrounding community?**

The Federal environmental review performed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") determined that Project emissions would not cause or contribute to an exceedance of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards ("NAAQS"), which are designed to be protective of human health and welfare. FERC also concluded that the Project would result in a net reduction of greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and would not have a disproportionately high and adverse impact on environmental justice communities. Iroquois also commissioned a Human Health Risk Assessment ("HHRA") for the ExC Project. The results of the HHRA indicate that there would be

no significant impact on human health in the Project areas from inhalation of emissions associated with the proposed modifications to the Athens and Dover compressor stations.

During Project construction, Iroquois will implement mitigation measures to reduce traffic impacts to nearby communities such as avoiding peak commute times and periods associated with school traffic, as well as coordinating its construction with local transportation authorities. During construction, Iroquois will also mitigate potential dust by implementing the Project's Dust Control Plan which requires the use of dust suppressants (water), reducing vehicle speeds on unpaved roadways, removing debris from paved roads, and complying with federal, State and local standards. Construction noise will be temporary, and Iroquois has committed to implementing mitigation during operations such that noise levels at both the Dover and Athens Compressor Stations would not exceed day-night noise levels of 55 dBA (A-weighted decibels) at the nearest noise sensitive receptors. Visual impacts will be mitigated since Project facilities will either not be visible or only partially visible from surrounding areas and would be partially obscured by existing compressor station facilities, landform, or surrounding vegetation.

### **How can I participate in the permit review process?**

To ask questions, express concerns, provide input or submit comments, attend the upcoming in-person public meetings scheduled for:

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### **Where can I get more information about the proposed project?**

- Visit the online document repository at: <https://www.iroquois.com/operations/projects/exc-project/> to obtain application materials, relevant documents, and information about the project.
- Contact Robert Perless, ExC Project Director by phone at (203) 944-7016 or by email at [Robert\\_perless@iroquois.com](mailto:Robert_perless@iroquois.com) or in writing at: 1 Corporate Drive, Suite 600, Shelton, CT 06484 for information on the Project, instructions on how to attend the upcoming virtual public meeting, or to find out about the status of the permit application and public comment period.

### **Who is responsible for reviewing the Permit Application?**

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