From: Ontario Clean Air Alliance <civicinput@newmode.org>

Sent: Tuesday, September 12, 2023 9:10 AM **To:** Terry Ugulini <Terry.Ugulini@thorold.ca> **Subject:** Say no to more gas pollution in Thorold

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing to urge you to firmly say "no" to Northland Power's proposal to expand its gas-fired generating station in Thorold.

The middle of a growing and urgent climate crisis is not the time to be burning more fossil fuels. Furthermore, there is significant evidence, including a Royal Bank of Canada report, that shows that Ontario has many better, lower cost and less polluting options than expanding the use of polluting gas power.

The Niagara Region's economic future lies in being a green energy leader, not in adding more polluting fossil fuel infrastructure. Good jobs and new economic opportunities are going to come from investing in renewable energy and efficiency, not by expanding the size of a gas plant. Businesses looking for green energy are not going to locate in the Niagara region if it offers dirty power.

Fortunately, Energy Minister Todd Smith has stated that municipalities must approve the construction of new or expanded gas-fired power generating plants in their jurisdiction.

I hope City Council will do the right thing and turn down this ill-advised proposal to increase pollution and climate damaging emissions in our community.

Sincerely, Melissa Daniels

.14 - Personal Information

From: Lana Goldberg < lgoldberg@environmentaldefence.ca>

Sent: July 17, 2023 3:07 PM

To: Terry Ugulini < Terry. Ugulini@thorold.ca >; Henry D'Angela < Henry. D'Angela@thorold.ca >; Mike De Divitiis

<<u>Mike.DeDivitiis@thorold.ca</u>>; Nella Dekker <<u>Nella.Dekker@thorold.ca</u>>; Carmen DeRose <<u>Carmen.DeRose@thorold.ca</u>>; Jim Handley <<u>Jim.Handley@thorold.ca</u>>; Anthony Longo

Anthony.Longo@thorold.ca; Tim O'Hare < Tim.O'Hare@thorold.ca; Ken Sentance

< Ken. Sentance@thorold.ca >; City Clerk < clerk@thorold.ca >

Cc: Keith Brooks < kbrooks@environmentaldefence.ca >

Subject: Please say "no" to a new gas plant (Aug 1st agenda item)

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear Mayor Ugulini and Honourable Council Members of Thorold,

I am writing to ask you to vote against a new gas plant in Thorold.

I understand the council will be considering a motion on August 1st to support a new gas plant.

Gas plants are often the largest greenhouse gas emitters in municipalities and emit nitrogen oxides which are harmful to human health and contribute to smog.

Ontario does not need new gas plants. Numerous studies show we can meet growing electricity demand with clean sources like wind and solar, paired with existing storage technologies that allow the energy to be used when needed.

Please see the briefing note attached for more information on the choice between polluting fossil gas and the clean alternatives. I would be happy to arrange a meeting if you have any questions about the backgrounder or our position on the matter.

I hope you will make the right decision for the health of your residents and for a livable future.

Sincerely,
Lana Goldberg
Ontario Climate Program M

Ontario Climate Program Manager

Pronouns: she/her



Tel: 416.323.9521 x290 | environmentaldefence.ca

TW: <u>@envirodefence</u> | FB: <u>EnvironmentalDefenceCanada</u> | IG: <u>@envirodefence</u>

33 Cecil Street, 1st Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M5T 1N1

Traditional territories of the Mississaugas of the Credit, the Anishinaabeg, the Haudenosaunee, and the Huron-Wendat. Please see full acknowledgement <u>here</u>.

Defending clean water, a safe climate, and healthy communities. Our work would not be possible without you. Please <u>donate</u> today.