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Port Ambrose Comment Period Open

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In 2013, Liberty Natural Gas LLC issued a proposal to build a liquefied natural gas (LNG) deepwater port facility called Port Ambrose, located roughly 19 miles south of New York's shore. After some delay, a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) has been issued and a public comment period is now open. This major proposal is unnecessary and environmentally irresponsible, and the public comment period has been rushed and is inaccessible. I, along with Assembly Member Linda Rosenthal, wrote a letter to the Maritime Administration and U.S. Coast Guard requesting they extend the public comment period from 60 to 90 days and add another public hearing in Manhattan. Yesterday, we learned that in response to our request, the comment period will be extended to 90 days, until March 16, 2015, and another hearing will soon be scheduled at a date and location to be determined. Earlier this month, we submitted joint testimony opposing the project. For more information or to submit comments, visit 1.usa.gov/1zPc31V. Please see our testimony attached.