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New York's Climate Plan Needs Nuclear Power



WHAT: Press Conference

WHO: **Dr. James E. Hansen**, Columbia University Earth Institute
Keith Schue, Engineer, NY Energy & Climate Advocates
Michael Bradshaw, Business Representative, IBEW Local 97

WHEN: Thursday, April 14, 2022, at 2:30 pm

WHERE: Room 130, Legislative Office Building, Albany, NY

In his 1988 historic testimony before Congress, **James Hansen**, climate scientist and former director of NASA's Goddard Institute, sounded the alarm on global climate change and the need to slash greenhouse gas emissions. Thirty years later, many governments have failed to act, and those which profess to try have fallen short. On April 14, prior to testifying before the New York Climate Action Council, Dr. Hansen and colleagues will address the need for the state to pursue a bold and inclusive climate strategy—one that embraces both renewables and **reliable carbon-free nuclear power**. Speakers will discuss flaws in the council's draft Scoping Plan and how New York needs a course correction to avoid the mistakes made in California and Germany.

The event will highlight the ongoing value of New York's existing nuclear plants and the need to plan for the next generation of reactors to provide ample, reliable energy and help affordably decarbonize other sectors of the economy. The speakers will shed light on the high-quality, family-sustaining jobs built around nuclear plants. These multi-generational jobs and tax revenues enable vibrant, healthy, and prosperous communities.

Said Dr. Hansen, "New York belongs at the forefront of nuclear innovation, not on the sidelines."

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