



## Tell Gov. Hochul: No Trump Pipelines

*The proposed Williams fracked gas pipelines would jack up utility bills and are super-polluters*

Currently, at Trump's behest, New York Governor Kathy Hochul is [fast-tracking](#) approval of the Williams NESE pipeline. She is also signalling she might approve 2 other massive fracked gas pipeline proposals: Williams' Constitution and [Enbridge's Project Maple expansion of its pipeline network](#). If approved, the multi-billion dollar [Williams NESE project](#) would ram a new gas pipeline from New Jersey to New York City, running past Staten Island to the Rockaways in Queens. We must make her stand up to Trump by rejecting the permits.

Trump claims Hochul has "[caved](#)" to his pressure and he has a deal with her for pipeline approvals. Hochul denies she's made a deal, but the Governor has shortened the permitting process, limited public participation, prevented public hearings and is using gas lobby talking points. New Yorkers only had 45 days and no public hearings in the formal comment process to convince her to deny the permits for this super-polluting rip off scheme, which New York previously rejected in a thorough evaluation process that lasted years.

- **Williams NESE would jack up already-high utility bills** - even National Grid, William's corporate partner on the pipeline, admits the project would [raise utility bills by 3.5%](#). If Hochul approves the proposal, New Yorkers will pay the multi-billion dollar costs of the pipeline. New Yorkers would also cover the company's massive profits on NESE: [about 10% profits](#) for utilities National Grid and Con Ed, plus [guaranteed 14% profits](#) for Williams. Each year, New Yorkers would pay hundreds of millions of dollars more.
- **Williams NESE would be a super-polluter** - the Williams fracked gas pipeline would generate [about 8 million tons](#) of additional climate-heating and asthma-inducing air pollution each year. The pollution would also foul our water, including stirring up toxic waste during the construction process. The project would especially hurt people on the Rockaways, a majority African-American community, where it would terminate.

Just last year, Williams' CEO Alan Armstrong made over \$15 million; National Grid CEO John Pettigrew made \$6 million; ConEd CEO Tim Cawley made over \$16 million. Hochul, for her part, takes enormous campaign donations from and is influenced by super-lobbyists for oil and gas interests. Instead of rolling over for Trump by fast tracking permitting, she should not even entertain overturning the state's previous decision on this project, as well as the other similar projects sure to come next. Yet as Trump and Williams' CEO demanded, she appears to be [rolling out the red carpet](#) they want. We must stop her. Over 13,000 New Yorkers have submitted comments against the proposal and over 500 of us, including Lieutenant Governor Delgado, marched in protest. Email [snandabalan@nycommunities.org](mailto:snandabalan@nycommunities.org) to get involved.

**[Tell Hochul: Stand Up to Trump by Denying Permits for the Williams Pipeline](#)**