

STATE OF NEW YORK  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 17-G-0455 - Petition of Reserve Gas Company, Inc. for an Original Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Exercise a Gas Franchise in the Town of Bennington, Wyoming County.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC STATEMENT HEARING  
AND PROCEDURAL CONFERENCE

(Issued September 8, 2017)

The New York State Public Service Commission seeks public comment on a petition filed on July 26, 2017, by Reserve Gas Company, Inc., for authorization to exercise a gas franchise in the Town of Bennington, Wyoming County, New York. On July 12, 2017, the Town of Bennington granted Reserve a non-exclusive franchise to install facilities within the Town for the purpose of providing gas service. Reserve anticipates providing service to two customers within the Town, as a result of the abandonment of pipelines and wells by New York Gas & Oil, Inc., Northern Gas Well Operators, Inc. and First Medina Gas Properties, LLC.

The Petition may be viewed online at DPS's website at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov). From the homepage, click on "Search," and enter the case number (17-G-0455) in the "Search by Case Number" field.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that members of the public may provide comments on the Petition at a public statement hearing to be held as follows:

Date: Wednesday, September 27, 2017

Location: Bennington Town Hall  
905 Old Alleghany Road  
Attica, NY 14011

Times: 1:00pm

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that, immediately following the public statement hearing, a procedural conference will be held to discuss the next steps in this proceeding, including whether there is a need to hold an evidentiary hearing in order to present recommendations for Commission action.

At the public statement hearing, interested members of the public may provide their views personally before an Administrative Law Judge assigned by the Commission to this case. A verbatim transcript of the hearing will be made for inclusion in the record of the proceeding. It is not necessary to make an appointment in advance in order to speak. Persons interested in speaking will be asked to complete a card requesting an opportunity to speak when they arrive at the hearing. Speakers will be called in the order in which the cards are received. Speakers need not provide written copies of their comments. The public statement hearing will be kept open for at least one hour and will continue until everyone wishing to speak has been heard, or other reasonable arrangements have been made to include their comments in the record.

Disabled persons requiring special accommodations should contact the Department of Public Service's Human Resource Management Office at (518) 474-2520 as soon as possible. TDD users may request a sign language interpreter by placing a call through the New York Relay Service at 711 to reach the Department of Public Service's Human Resource Office at the (518) 474-2520 number. Individuals with difficulty understanding or reading English are encouraged to call the Commission at 1-800-342-3377 for free language assistance services regarding this notice.

Other Ways to Comment

Those who cannot attend or prefer not to speak at a public statement hearing may comment through the following methods:

**Commission Website:** Comments may be entered directly at the Commission's website at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov). Search for Case 17-G-0455, which will bring you to the web page for this case. Click on the "Post Comments" button located at the top of the page and enter your comments.

**Email or Mail:** Comments may be sent via e-mail to Hon. Kathleen H. Burgess, Secretary, at [secretary@dps.ny.gov](mailto:secretary@dps.ny.gov), or by mail or delivery to the Secretary at Public Service Commission, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany NY 12223-1350. Comments should refer to "Case 17-G-0455 - Reserve Gas Company."

**Toll-Free Opinion Line:** You may call the Commission's Opinion Line at 1-800-335-2120. This number is set up to take comments about pending cases from in-state callers, 24 hours a day. Press "2" to leave comments, mentioning "Case 17-G-0455, Reserve Gas Company." These comments are not transcribed verbatim, but a summary is provided to the Commission.

**Comments provided through these alternative methods are requested by October 6, 2017.** All written comments will become part of the record and will be reported to the Commission for its consideration.

All submitted comments may be accessed on the Commission's website at [www.dps.ny.gov](http://www.dps.ny.gov). Click "Search" on the home page and then enter "17-G-0455" in the space provided for searching by case number; then view the "Public Comments" tab. Many libraries offer free Internet access.

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KATHLEEN H. BURGESS  
Secretary