

Washington, DC -- In response to New York Regional Interconnection's (NYRI) supplemental filing with the Public Service Commission (PSC) today, U.S. Rep. Michael A. Arcuri (D-Utica) released the following statement:

“Once again NYRI has failed to address the deep-seated concerns of local families and businesses. No matter how many times NYRI attempts to distort its proposal, the community remains united in opposition. The facts are clear – NYRI’s proposal is bad for local economic development, bad for local businesses and bad for local property owners.

“In its report, NYRI attempts to cut off opposition with false tokens of change. By proposing to bury various sections and throwing out multiple mini-alternatives, NYRI achieves nothing more than a failed attempt at divide and conquer. NYRI’s public relations strategy runs parallel to its proposal – both are ill-conceived and poorly planned.

“I will continue to work aggressively with officials at the federal, state and local levels, community groups, environmental organizations and local citizens to prevent NYRI from running roughshod over our region.”

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