API NY: NEW YORKERS ARE HURTING FROM CUOMO’S EXTREME POLICIES

ALBANY, N.Y., August 14, 2018 – API New York released the following statement after Competitive Power Ventures filed suit against the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation challenging the agency’s actions last week which denied the renewal of the air quality permit needed for the operation of the company’s natural gas power plant in Wawayanda, New York.

“Only in Gov. Cuomo’s New York would a state-of-the-art project that will reduce emissions, keep energy affordable, and deliver reliable electricity to New York consumers face countless, arbitrary delays,” said API New York Executive Director Karen Moreau. “The Competitive Power Ventures natural gas plant is critical to ensuring that schools, businesses, hospitals and homes have access to affordable, reliable electricity especially during extreme weather conditions like the polar vortex that we all experienced this past winter.

“Gov. Cuomo’s actions to arbitrarily block this project is just the latest in his attacks on every New Yorker who would stand to benefit from increased supplies of clean natural gas to the region. Further these attacks disproportionately hurt low-income and elderly residents who rely upon affordable electricity to heat, cool, and power their homes. Right now, Gov. Cuomo has a choice. He can stand up for New York’s most vulnerable and allow them to have access to affordable electricity or he can continue to pursue extreme policies designed to curry favor with activists.”

API New York is a division of API, which represents all segments of America’s oil and natural gas industry. Its more than 600 members produce, process, and distribute most of the nation’s energy. The industry supports 10.3 million U.S. jobs and is backed by a growing grassroots movement of more than 47 million Americans.

###
New Yorkers are hurting from Cuomo’s extreme policies