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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **NEW QUEENS CLEAN AIR PROJECT WILL AWARD \$2 MILLION TO COMMUNITY GROUPS FOR LOCAL CLEAN AIR & ENERGY INITIATIVES**

#### **WHAT:**

Clean Air Communities announces a new partnership that will provide \$2 million in direct funding to implement clean air and energy efficiency projects in Northwest Queens neighborhoods. Funded by the New York Power Authority (NYPA), this innovative project will sponsor community-based emissions reductions and renewable and alternative energy projects to deliver air quality, public health, and other community benefits in Queens.

#### **WHO:**

- The Honorable Helen Marshall, President, Borough of Queens
- The Honorable George Onorato, Senator, New York State Senate
- The Honorable Peter Vallone, Jr., Council Member, New York City Council
- The Honorable Michael Gianaris, Assembly Member, New York State Assembly (Invited)
- Eugene Zeltmann, President and Chief Executive Officer, New York Power Authority
- Ken Colburn, Executive Director, Northeast States Clean Air Foundation and Clean Air Communities
- Ashok Gupta, Director – Air and Energy Programs, Natural Resources Defense Council
- Lisa Garcia, Lead Attorney, New York Public Interest Research Group

#### **WHEN:**

**TUESDAY, JULY 15th**

12:00 – 1:00 Press event, including formal remarks and Q & A.

1:00 – 2:00 Luncheon. Tour of NYPA's new state-of-the-art generating facility available.

#### **WHERE:**

NYPA – Charles Poletti Power Project

31-01 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue

Astoria, New York

*Directions are listed below and are also available at: [www.cleanaircommunities.org](http://www.cleanaircommunities.org)*

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## **Directions to QCAP Launch Event**

**July 15, 2003  
12:00 – 2:00 PM**

**New York Power Authority  
Charles Poletti Power Project  
31-01 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Astoria, New York 11105  
718-626-8250**

### From Manhattan

Take the FDR Drive North to the Triboro Bridge into Queens. Stay in the right lane and get off at the first exit in Queens. Go to the second traffic light and make a left turn, make another left turn at the next traffic light. Proceed to 31<sup>st</sup> street (under el) and make a right turn. Continue on 31<sup>st</sup> Street until the end, where you will find the entrance to the facility. Alternatively, take the Queensboro Bridge lower level, stay to the left, and take 31<sup>st</sup> Street to the end.

### From Staten Island or Brooklyn

Take the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway towards the Triboro Bridge. Get off at Hoyt Avenue, the last exit before the bridge. Stay to the right of the ramp and make a right turn under the el onto 31<sup>st</sup> Street. Continue on 31<sup>st</sup> Street to the end.

### From the Bronx and Westchester

Take the Triboro Bridge and follow the above directions from Manhattan, or take the Whitestone Bridge to the Grand Central Parkway West to Hoyt Avenue and follow the above directions.

### From Long Island

Take the Northern State Parkway into the Grand Central Parkway West to Hoyt Avenue (last exit before Triboro Bridge). Make a right turn under the el onto 31<sup>st</sup> Street. Continue to end (20<sup>th</sup> Avenue).

### By Subway

Take the W train into Queens to Astoria-Ditmars Boulevard / 31<sup>st</sup> Street (last stop). Follow 31<sup>st</sup> Street North to the facility entrance at 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Yahoo Maps: <http://tinyurl.com/fy44>