



**UNITED ASSOCIATION**  
of Journeymen and Apprentices of the  
Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry  
of the United States and Canada  
**LOCAL UNION No. 13**

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**March 17, 2022.**

**Dear brothers and sisters,**

**Happy St. Patrick's Day!**

**The vote for the raise allocation has been mailed out. Please read the directions carefully on how to vote and the deadline for getting the ballot back to Local 13. Also, please make sure you read the letter from the fund office regarding our health care... Thank you...**

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**Dues/General Election/BM Nominations:**

- I will be retiring June 1, 2022. There will be nominations for Business Manager to finish my term at the March 22<sup>nd</sup> union meeting. If needed the election will be held on May 12<sup>th</sup> and the newly elected BM will be sworn into office at the May 24<sup>th</sup> union meeting.**
- Our Nominations for all officers are just 7 months away. Nominations will be held at our October 25, 2022, union meeting and the election will be held on Thursday December 8, 2022, from 6am – 6pm.**
- Duties of all officers is outlined in our by-laws in the back of the CBA booklets...**
- Please make sure your dues are current so you can vote and or run for office if you so choose...**
- Also, if you are not current on your dues, John Carpenter is unable to update your certifications for the UA.**
- The phones are open from 8am – 4:30 pm. Please be patient if you are trying to call and you cannot get through. If for some reason you do not get someone to pick up, they are most likely on the phone taking care of**

**someone else. Please keep trying and we will get to you... You may also call me or text me on my cell phone @ 585-766-1199, and I will get back to you asap.**

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### **Union Meetings:**

- Our next union meeting is scheduled for March 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 5pm. There will be nominations for Business Manager at the March 22<sup>nd</sup> union meeting.**
  - All are welcome. Zoom link is no longer available...**
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### **Hours worked:**

- Hours worked January 1 – 31, 2021 = 82,824 hrs.**
  - Hours worked January 1 – 31, 2022 = 95,599 hrs.**
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### **Out of work and traveling:**

- We have 36 JM that are willing to go back to work.**
  - We have 21 members traveling**
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### **Rochester Building Trades:**

- In discussion regarding the Lithium Battery plant being built at Eastman Business Park. Doing all we can to make sure this job goes union. The process piping part of the job is being re bid and going out on the Builders Exchange.**
  - Ongoing meetings w/the Construction Rep. from Turner Construction and the Reps from the U of R regarding a possible PLA for the upcoming new construction and renovations at the U of R.**
  - Meeting with Assembly woman Sarah Clark and Jen Lunsford on April 8<sup>th</sup>.**
  - T-Mobile is back on the table, and we are discussing a possible PLA...**
  - Discussed a new project – Children’s detention center being built in Rush. \$24 million. Working o a PLA.**
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**UA meetings/NYS Int. Rep. John Murphy:**

- The NY State Pipe Trades are in the process of interviewing other candidates (Republican and Democrat) for NY State Gov... I will keep all informed on the outcome... The democratic primary is in June.**
  - There will be continued meetings with our stakeholders and legislators to continue our stance against any movement from our politicians that go against our values and that does not create work for the NY State Pipe Trades.**
  - Work outlook throughout NYS looks outstanding...**
  - Unemployment #'s update from all the locals throughout NY and any deaths because of Covid-19.**
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**Politics:**

- Ongoing meetings w/Mayor Evans...**
  - Meeting with Assembly woman Sarah Clark on April 8<sup>th</sup>.**
  - Ongoing discussion regarding Gov. Hochul and her stance against Natural Gas...**
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**Save the dates:**

**Family Picnic at Seabreeze – June 25, 2022. Scholarship awards and active members years of service pin awards.**

**Clambake – September 10, 2022. The clambake will be held at Long Acre Farms in Macedon.**

**Save the date: Retirees - Tuesday July 12, 2022. Tent will be in place outside the union hall, and we will be honoring 2020 – 2022 years of service pin recipients. (Retired members/spouses only.)**

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**Retirees:**

**Save the date: Tuesday July 12, 2022 we will have a tent set up at the Union Hall to honor all retiree 2020-2022 years of service pin recipients.**

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**Please call me if you have any questions and or concerns. Thank you...**

**Fraternaly yours,**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'William Kurtz', written over a yellow highlight.

**William Kurtz**

**Business Manager**

## Bill Kurtz

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**From:** John Murphy <jmurphy@UANET.ORG>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 3, 2022 4:27 PM  
**To:** mapuzzo@ualocal1.org; (POConnor@ualocal1.org); enadeau@ualocal7.org; Bill Kurtz; rdiaz@local21union.com; Sean Redden-BM Local 22; glancette@ualocal81.org; Dan Crocker-BM Local 112; Santino D'Amario; Richard Brooks - Local 200 Fin Sec; plu200dg@gmail.com; Robert Ambrosetti (ra373@aol.com); dmulligan@lu638.com; James Sheeran Jr.-L638 President; Kenneth Lilley; mark oconnor; Marcm@nyspipetrades.org; mikej@lu773.org  
**Cc:** Mike Mulvaney; Alexis Flewelling; Tom Bigley  
**Subject:** Climate Action Council Comment Period - Draft Scoping Plan - ACTION REQUIRED

Brothers,

Please read the information below and forward this critically important commentary submission tool to your officers, members, instructors and families. They need to fill out both links and it takes less than a minute. We need to flood the Climate Action Council and the State Capitol with comments. Push your members to get involved.

In 2019, state lawmakers authorized the Climate Action Council to develop a plan for reaching the state's climate goals. Recently, that plan was published.

Their plans include:

- **Bans on:**
  - **New gas service to existing buildings**
  - **Natural gas use in new buildings**
  - **New natural gas-based appliances (cooking, home heating, water heating, clothes drying)**
  - **Gasoline-fueled car sales**
  - **Diesel-fueled trucks**
  - **Construction of gas-based energy generation plants**
- **Carbon pricing, which would tax businesses based on their emission levels. For more information on carbon pricing, visit our [blog](#).**
- **Emission caps**
- **An Extended Producer Responsibility program, which would force manufacturers to foot the bill for recycling programs**

**Tell Albany: we need energy that is affordable and reliable! The public commentary period is now open.**

The links below were developed with The Business Council of New York State (BCNY) and the Buffalo Niagara Partnership (BNP) to make submitting public comments to the CAC on the Draft Scoping Plan easy.

[https://oneclickpolitics.global.ssl.fastly.net/messages/edit?promo\\_id=15342](https://oneclickpolitics.global.ssl.fastly.net/messages/edit?promo_id=15342) this OneClick campaign is from the perspective of an energy industry worker.

Click the link below to log in and send your message:

<https://www.votervoice.net/THEPARTNERSHIP/Campaigns/91946/Respond>



# Let the CAC Know Natural Gas Can Be An Option While New York Reduces Emissions

Affordability, Reliability and Resiliency must be A PRIORITY

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## Let Natural Gas Be An Option While New York Reduces Emissions

Affordability, Reliability, and Resiliency must be A PRIORITY!

Energy employees have several concerns about the recommendations in the CAC's draft Scoping Plan, which proposes eliminating natural gas as an energy option in New York State.

This costly endeavor is concerning for several reasons, including;

- + The need for massive renewable energy development & power grid expansion
- + Unknown costs to consumers for conversion & expansion to renewable energy
- + Unspecified projections in rising consumer costs from supply & demand issues



Additionally, New York State consultants estimate the cost to consumers resulting from eliminating natural gas could be as high as \$25 billion in Western New York alone. This is just a monetary cost that does not account for the price families would pay if the power grid were unable to support the demand increase necessary for winter heating and electric vehicles.

As an energy industry employee, please consider sharing your concerns with the state's Climate Action Council and your legislator and ask them to reconsider the need for natural gas and its reliable delivery system as they determine the future of New York's energy footprint.

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## MEMBERSHIP

# Take Action

## Tell State Leaders New Yorkers Need Affordable, Reliable Energy

In 2019, state lawmakers authorize the Climate Action Council

### Review Your Message

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- Governor
- State Senator
- State Assemblymember

**+ more**

#### Subject

New Yorkers Need Affordable, Reliable Energy

#### Message Body

I am writing to share my concerns with the Climate Action Council's proposed Scoping

to develop a plan for reaching the state's climate goals. Recently, that plan was published .

We now know how this unelected council plans to change

Plan. As an employer and ratepayer, I understand we must make changes to safeguard our environment. However, as written, the Plan would significantly harm upstate New York.

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