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TransGas Denied Rehearing for Proposed Power Plant in Greenpoint *Senator Dilan Announces another Victory for the Neighborhood*

Albany, NY - State Senator Martin Malavé Dilan (D-Brooklyn) is pleased to announce another victory in keeping an environmentally dangerous power plant from being built on the Greenpoint waterfront. TransGas had put forward several proposals for building a power generating facility in a neighborhood only now recovering from more than a century of environmental abuse.

Although the TransGas proposal was rejected by the New York State Department of Public Service earlier this year, TransGas petitioned for a rehearing by the Department's State Board on Electrical Generation Siting and the Environment. The Board originally rejected TransGas's proposal due to multiple problems in the environmental, aesthetic and land use impacts.

In their ruling on the rehearing, "The Siting Board today denied the petition for rehearing since the company simply restated arguments previously rejected as invalid."

"The Siting Board has once again used good judgment in denying this request. The city is moving to transform 28 acres around Bushwick Inlet into a park and recreation area. How can you compare that to an environmentally hazardous Power Plant?" said Senator Dilan. "TransGas never made a good-faith effort to do the right thing by this community."

A copy of today's decision in Case 01-F-1276, when issued, will be available on the New York State Public Service Commission's (www.dps.state.ny.us) Web site by accessing the Commission's File Room section of the homepage.