



PROPOSED GAS PIPELINE BAD NEWS FOR SPRINGFIELD

**Eversource plans a new, high pressure
gas pipeline from Longmeadow into
downtown Springfield**

WE MUST STOP IT! HERE'S WHY

WHO NEEDS IT? AND WHO WILL PAY THE PRICE?

- Eversource admits *we don't need more gas* in Springfield. This expansion project is a back-up pipe to provide "redundancy". Yet it's 4x bigger and higher pressure than existing pipes—and very costly. Why???
- *Eversource makes more money when they build new pipes*, and by law can pass the cost on to ratepayers. The huge \$40 million price tag will raise bills for us, the customers, at a time when gas prices are already rising!

ENVIRONMENTAL & HEALTH DANGERS GROW

- Gas pipelines leak pollutants into our air that harm lungs & worsen asthma.
- In Springfield, *we know* gas pipelines can explode. The 2012 downtown explosion injured 25 people, destroyed a daycare center, and caused the evacuation of 30,000 people.
- Another leaking pipe in the ground means more methane and carbon dioxide into the atmosphere, making the climate crisis worse.
- ***So don't build new pipelines that aren't needed.***

*****We don't need the gas, so we don't need the costly expansion pipeline and its risks. We must transition off gas for heating and cooking to green energy to decrease health impacts and follow MA's new climate law.*****

Study up and make up your own mind at: stopthetoxicpipeline.org

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