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**\*\*\*PRESS ADVISORY\*\*\***

**The Independent Oil and Gas Association of New York  
to Host Public Information Forum**

*Meeting will provide facts on all facets of natural gas exploration*

Lakeview, NY – The Independent Oil and Gas Association of New York (IOGA-NY) will host a public information forum to provide facts about natural gas exploration in New York State.

**6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, April 30**

**Broome County Community College**

**West Gym**

**Upper Front Street (NY Route 11)**

**Binghamton, NY**

Industry professionals will provide details on the history of natural gas production in New York State, land leasing, the drilling process, and then participate in a question-and-answer session.

“The responsible men and women who work in New York’s oil and gas industry fully understand residents’ concerns regarding a possible new wave of natural gas exploration in the Marcellus Shale,” said Brad Gill, Executive Director of IOGA-NY. “While natural gas exploration has been conducted safely in New York for decades, the public has been exposed to misinformation. We hope through a series of forums we can provide some clarity in that regard.”

“Today, with advances in technology, it is possible to maintain our quality of life by producing clean-burning natural gas – without compromising our natural resources,” said Gill. “At a time of financial hardship, we have the chance to provide an energy resource not only for our state, but nationwide – this is something New York should not miss out on.”

For additional information on natural gas exploration, as well as an up-to-date listing of the association's public meeting schedule, please visit IOGA-NY’s informational web blog: [www.marcellusfacts.com](http://www.marcellusfacts.com).

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*IOGA-NY is a trade association founded in 1980 to protect, foster and advance the common interests of oil and gas producers, professionals and related industries in the State of New York. IOGA-NY takes great pride in its commitment to members and their local communities.*