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## Heating Oil Companies Deliver Critical Energy and Electricity Services During the Deep Freeze

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January 5, 2018 (New York, NY) In the wake of severe winter weather and historically low temperatures in the New York Metropolitan region, New Yorkers can be confident that there is a sufficient and stable supply of heating oil. The industry has been working tirelessly to ensure that oil-heated homes and businesses are heated as winter sets in. We would like to assure our heating oil customers that their providers are working hard to ensure deliveries, and they are ready, able and available to repair or replace their customers' oil heat equipment.

The New York Oil Heating Association (NYOHA) continues to work closely with City and State agencies and local utilities to ensure that energy and electricity supplies will not be interrupted in the arctic freeze. Many utilities have turned to oil to generate electricity. The frigid weather has escalated demand for gas to heat homes and businesses and as such, utilities have triggered their interruptible contracts – meaning that they switch from natural gas to heating oil when natural gas supply gets low. This switching adds approximately an additional 1.0 million heating oil gallons per day above normal demand. The heating oil industry has stepped up to meet that demand keeping the power on in addition to keeping homes warm.

"Local heating oil providers have decades of experience serving communities across New York during times of peak demand and severe weather. Customers can be assured that high-quality fuel delivery and prompt, reliable service continues through this deep freeze, and that heating oil companies are on the ready to support electric utilities," said Rocco J. Lacertosa, CEO, NYOHA.

In critical weather situations, we are especially reminded that clean, renewable heating oil is a vital part of the diverse energy portfolio that keeps New York running.

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## About NYOHA

NYOHA, founded in 1939, is one of the country's largest heating oil trade associations representing 150 members, including terminals, retailers and associated businesses operating in the five boroughs of New York City. NYOHA advocates on behalf of New York City's heating oil industry on the federal, state and city levels and has been a national leader in adopting sensible energy policy that has resulted in the promotion of renewable energy as well as cleaner burning fuels and equipment. The Association and its members have enthusiastically supported a variety of City and State measures that have made New York City the cleanest heating oil market in the country improving air quality for New Yorkers and displacing 80 millions gallons of petroleum through the blending of renewable biodiesel over the last four years. NYOHA remains committed to public health and fighting global warming. For more information, please visit [www.nyoha.org](http://www.nyoha.org).