

**Town of Canton**  
**Local Law No. \_\_ of the year 2022**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board of the Town of Canton (the “Town”) desires to enact a Moratorium on all Anaerobic Digester (as defined herein) development within the Town;

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board intends to enact comprehensive regulations regarding Anaerobic Digesters in the Town;

**WHEREAS**, the Town Board believes that such a moratorium will protect the public interest and welfare of the residents of the Town until such comprehensive regulations are adopted; and

**WHEREAS**, there are currently no regulations relating to Anaerobic Digesters within the Town, but the Town Board believes that such regulations can be duly considered and adopted by the date set forth herein;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. There is hereby placed a moratorium on all Anaerobic Digester development in the Town of Canton, County of St. Lawrence, and State of New York. Current, grandfathered operations are excepted from the moratorium herein.
2. An Anaerobic Digesters shall mean a facility the main purpose of which is to use anaerobic digestion to convert livestock and poultry manure (primary catalyst) and feedstock into biogas, which is burned off site to produce electricity, heat and water as well as to manage livestock and poultry manure. Anaerobic digesters may include co-digestion in which the livestock and poultry manure may be mixed with other organic materials (secondary catalysts). Nothing herein shall prohibit a licensed load serving entity from conducting its regular and usual business of providing electrical distribution within its service territory as defined by its tariff with the New York State Department of Public Service.

3. This moratorium shall expire on the 28th day of February, 2023.
4. This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Town Clerk of the Town, and upon filing the same with the Secretary of State of the State of New York.
5. The above local law was enacted by the Town Board of the Town on the \_\_\_\_ day of August, 2022.

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Town Clerk  
Town of Canton