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### **Lung Cancer & New York City Kitchens: Why Increased Radon in Natural Gas Could Be a Public Health Disaster**

**A free public forum**

**Tuesday, May 14, 2013  
7:00 – 9:30 pm**

**The Great Hall at the Cooper Union  
7 East 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Manhattan**

**Hosted by the Cooper Union Institute for Sustainable Design**

Radon is an invisible, but dangerous substance that is found in natural gas. It is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. Natural gas used for cooking and heating in our homes and workplaces could become a major public health disaster.

The Bloomberg administration and Con Edison are promoting increased use of natural gas in New York City. The source of this additional gas is a Pennsylvania region that appears to be unusually high in radon. Governor Cuomo is considering fracking for gas in a New York region also high in radioactivity. This poses a risk to City residents and workers in restaurants, gas utilities, and building maintenance.

Join scientists and health professionals to learn more about this threat to the health and safety of City residents and workers and how we can prevent it.

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