

Invitation to Local Officials

You are invited to a meeting at which the results of DCS’ baseline ambient methane testing study for the Town of Delaware, NY will be unveiled, on Sunday, August 24 from 12 noon until 2 p.m. at the Delaware Youth Center on Creamery Road in Callicoon, NY.

The study was performed by [Gas Safety, Inc.](#), an industry leader in methane and gas leak detection; and Bryce R. Payne Jr., PhD, a researcher at Wilkes University.

The study is the first ever methane baseline test of any New York State municipality. The technique is easily transferable to any location and is of particular interest to municipal officials in our area because such a report can enhance landowner and community safety. Such a baseline provides a sound basis for determining when and if increases in methane levels occur related to natural gas drilling or the construction and operation of gas-related infrastructure such as pipelines, as well as providing the basis for property owners to protect themselves, via data admissible in court, against any adverse impacts from the effects of natural gas development and extraction.

I hope you will join [Robert Ackley, president of Gas Safety, Inc.](#) and me to learn more about the measurement technique and the actual results for the Town of Delaware, and to see a comparison with places in which drilling has already taken place. Ackley will present and explain the results, which have been translated into an easy-to-read map and graph format. Printed copies of the map and report will be available for those interested.

For more information visit DCS’ [Town of Delaware Baseline Methane Report page](#) or call 845/252-6677.

I look forward to seeing you there.

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