

# *Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce*

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## **Resolution in Support of Sate Legislation Creating a Public Power Authority**

**Whereas, New York State residents, on average, pay among the highest utility rates in the Continental United States, and**

**Whereas, National Grid is a foreign owned investment utility providing electrical power to the service area of the Alliance for Municipal Power (AMP), and**

**Whereas, the member municipalities of AMP, in St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties, have resolved to develop a plan for public power to serve their communities, and**

**Whereas, Public Authorities may only be created by the State of New York, and**

**Whereas, AMP and the municipalities have collectively determined that the only entity which will allow them to accomplish their public power goals requires the creation of a Public Power Authority, and**

**Whereas, it appears that such a Public Power Authority, acting as a Public Power Utility, would be in the best interest of the citizens of the AMP communities, and**

**Whereas, The Greater Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce is located within the AMP community, and**

**Whereas, The Greater Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce considers the creation of a public power utility to be in the long term energy and economic interests of the AMP communities,**

**Therefore be it resolved,**

**That the Greater Gouverneur Chamber of Commerce supports legislation to be presented before the Senate and Assembly of the State of New York to enact a Public Power Authority for the participating municipalities of the St. Lawrence and Franklin Counties, and**

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**That a singed copy of the Resolution be mailed to Robert Best, Chairman, AMP,  
P.O. Box 173, Canton, NY 13617, and**

**The AMP may distribute copies of this resolution to the State Senate and Assembly  
members and the Governor of New York State.**

**October 22, 2008**

**Donna Lawrence**

**Executive Director**

