

**Statement from County Executive
Marcus J. Molinaro**
regarding gas supplies impacted by Hurricane Sandy

“The impacts of Hurricane Sandy have been far reaching and the need for cooperation and patience is great. Dutchess County emergency responders, representing various fire and emergency medical agencies throughout the county, have been deployed to help support those in areas hit hardest by the storm. We are grateful to them for their service.

Disruptions to fuel supply distribution and power outages have created gas shortages in parts of New Jersey and New York. The mid-Hudson Valley area, including Dutchess County, is seeing higher demand at gas stations as people travel north for fuel.

Governor Cuomo has signed an Executive Order to allow distributors and transporters to bring gasoline, diesel, and kerosene into the State of New York without having to meet the usual registration requirements. This is expected to help alleviate gasoline supply issues.

We encourage residents to be patient over the next few days as supplies begin to return to normal. People should conduct themselves with calmness and civility, as we remind ourselves that the challenges our area has felt in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy are not as difficult as compared to our neighbors in southern New York and in New Jersey.”

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