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District announces no tax levy increase

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Great Neck Water Pollution Control District officials announced Friday that there will be no tax levy increase for residents in 2016 due to recent cost-saving initiatives.

"Taxpayers are now realizing the savings anticipated when the district first began construction on the micro-turbine facility and solar panel installation," district Commissioner Deena Lesser said. "It is the commissioners' hope that the Great Neck Water Pollution Control District's facility and savings initiatives will serve as a model for other districts both regionally and nationally." On Sept. 10, the district announced that taxpayers

saved over \$108,000 from microturbine plant improvements that reduced heating and electrical costs between January 2015 and June 2015.

"The district's decision not to raise the tax levy for 2016 demonstrates sound fiscal management as the commissioners strive to improve services while reducing expenses," district Commissioner Steve Reiter said. "Future projects including the anaerobic digester upgrade and grease receiving station will help ensure lower energy costs that will be passed along to taxpayers in future years."

The district is expecting more savings in the future from upcoming "green" projects as they prepare to become the first municipality on Long Island to fulfill Gov.

Andrew Cuomo's Reforming the Energy Vision, according to a press release.

The Reforming the Energy Vision is Cuomo's energy strategy for New York to help consumers make better and more informed energy choices, enable the development of new energy products and services, protect the environment and create new jobs and economic opportunity throughout New York, according to the state of New York's official website.

The Great Neck Water Pollution Control District is located at 236 East Shore Road and serves the villages of Great Neck, Great Neck Plaza, Kensington, Thomaston and Saddle Rock as well as parts of Manhasset.