

America's Businesses Support the NAT GAS Act

We, the undersigned, recognize that our nation's reliance on foreign oil, and the \$1 billion it costs our economy every day, represents a national and economic security risk. For too long, our growing dependence has gone unchecked. However, we do have a viable, tested and domestic alternative: natural gas.

Natural gas is cleaner, cheaper and abundant -- and, most importantly, it's ours. Its expanded use in the transportation marketplace can complement other domestic fuels to combat our nation's growing dependence on foreign oil.

Natural gas as transportation fuel is a real solution to a real national security problem.

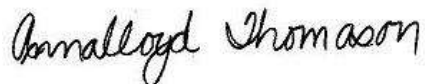
Natural gas is the only domestic alternative to foreign oil today that can power heavy-duty vehicles, which use 2.6 million barrels of oil every day. Moreover, natural gas can play an important role in bridging today's needs with tomorrow's new technologies. In fact, unlike most of the alternative fuels being developed that are years from deployment, natural gas is one alternative that is here, now, and available.

We understand our nation's transportation needs—it's these needs that we have committed our lives and companies to serving. The NAT GAS Act enables business like ours—ranging from small local and regional providers to global ones—to make the switch that much faster. This support will result in new manufacturing and new jobs, exactly what our nation needs to continue rebuilding our economy.

We, therefore, support the NAT GAS Act (H.R. 1380) for its ability to provide a limited, five-year program that accelerates wider adoption of this American vehicle fuel to replace foreign oil immediately.

We call upon all Members of Congress and the Administration to support passage of the NAT GAS Act in 2011.

Respectfully,



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