



November 5, 2010

President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama,

Representing the broad spectrum of the natural gas industry, the members of the Natural Gas Council (NGC) want to express our appreciation for your comments Wednesday regarding natural gas. Like you, we agree that natural gas represents an opportunity for common ground between Republicans and Democrats. In order to fully utilize this clean, abundant, American energy resource, the members of the NGC offer the following policy suggestions:

- Increased U.S. production of natural gas is critical to America's energy future; we need federal and state policies in place to permit environmentally responsible natural gas production and infrastructure development.
- Should Congress move forward on a renewable or clean electricity standard, natural gas generation should be included as a compliance option.
- America's natural gas utilities and their customers have led the way in reducing carbon emissions by 40 percent over the past 40 years. Future policies should take these facts into consideration when developing goals to reduce vehicle emissions and increase the efficiency of buildings and appliances.

We want to work with you and the leadership in Congress to help make natural gas a solution for America's energy and environmental challenges. Thank you for your interest in this clean, abundant and American energy resource.

If you have any questions, or if there is any way we can be of service to you in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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