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NGSA President and CEO R. Skip Horvath Announces 2014 Retirement

(Washington, D.C.) – R. Skip Horvath, president and CEO of the Natural Gas Supply Association, today formally announced his plans to retire from NGSA in the first half of 2014.

“I’ve enjoyed 15 wonderful, rewarding years at NGSA,” Horvath said. “My original goals were to focus the association’s mission and put it back on solid financial footing. I’m proud to have accomplished those goals, but my proudest achievement at NGSA will always be the exceptional staff that I handpicked,” he said. “It’s also been my privilege to work with an outstanding group of leaders from our member companies. The dedication of our membership and the staff has made NGSA’s success possible.”

Horvath has been president and CEO of NGSA since 1999. As top executive, Horvath carved out a unique role for NGSA that distinguished it from other natural gas associations. Horvath said, “Many discussions with the board that hired me about the association’s mission led us to commit to ensuring a competitive and efficient market that benefited natural gas consumers and the U.S. economy. It is enormously gratifying to see that vision playing out just as we hoped it would in 1999.”

NGSA Chairman Greg Vesey said, “We’re tremendously grateful to Skip for his vision and leadership throughout a time of historic changes in the natural gas industry. Over the last decade and a half Skip dedicated NGSA to advocating for a healthy and competitive natural gas market, and he and his team played an important part in shaping the most liquid, transparent natural gas market in the world.”

Vesey continued, “Under Skip’s guidance, NGSA put a priority on collaboration with other natural gas associations to promote cooperation and communication among the gas sectors, and NGSA became skilled at punching above its weight on regulatory and policy issues in Washington. We will greatly miss his leadership, knowledge and dedication to the industry, to his association members and to his staff. ”

Horvath has had a distinguished career in Washington energy associations. His work in the natural gas industry has spanned the terms of 13 of the 15 chairmen that the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission has had in its history. Prior to joining NGSA,

he served as Chief Operating Officer and Executive Vice President at the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America (INGAA). He also helped establish and lead the Natural Gas Council (NGC), a forum for leaders in the natural gas industry to discuss common concerns, and was instrumental in determining the NGC's operating principles. He also founded the Distributed Power Coalition of America and served as one of four individuals tasked with setting up the Gas Industry Standards Board (now known as NAESB, the North American Energy Standards Board) and the Center for Liquefied Natural Gas.

The association's board of directors has authorized a formal search committee for his successor and that work is underway.

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