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(Washington, DC) The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) today praised the House of Representatives for its bipartisan passage of H.R. 351, the "LNG Permitting Certainty and Transparency Act," by a vote of 277 to 133. The bill, introduced by Rep. Bill Johnson (R-Ohio) speeds up the process enabling the export of liquefied natural gas (LNG).

Dena E. Wiggins, president and CEO of NGSA said:

"We commend the 277 members of Congress who voted in favor of H.R. 351. Streamlining the approval process for LNG export applications from the United States can create tens of thousands of American jobs and reduce global greenhouse gas emissions, while preserving a competitive advantage for American manufacturers.

"There are numerous nations that export LNG and, if we don't get into the game soon, our global competitors are going to lock in contracts that will leave America at a competitive disadvantage.

"With action now headed to the Senate, we urge the Senate to vote in favor of legislation expediting the LNG export process."

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The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) represents integrated and independent companies that supply natural gas. Established in 1965, NGSA encourages the use of natural gas within a balanced national energy policy, and promotes the benefits of competitive markets, thus encouraging increased supply and the reliable and efficient delivery of natural gas to U.S. customers. For more information, please visit www.ngsa.org and www.naturalgas.org.

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