

Addressing Methane Emissions Essential to Achieving Cleaner Environment, America's Natural Gas Suppliers Say

(Washington, D.C.) – The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) today announced its adoption of principles on reducing methane emissions. NGSA's members are among the world's largest producers and marketers of natural gas.

Dena Wiggins, president and CEO of NGSA said, "We believe that reducing methane emissions is an essential component of a cleaner environment. We're committed to a clean energy future and believe that addressing methane emissions is necessary to making that vision a reality."

Wiggins said, "We are attacking methane emissions with the same spirit of ingenuity that positioned the United States as a world leader in developing and growing our natural gas resources."

NGSA's methane announcement consists of six principles to address methane emissions, summarized below. (Read the full text of NGSA's Methane Principles <u>here.</u>

- > Reducing methane emissions is an essential component of reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Methane emissions from a wide range of sources must be addressed to support a cleaner environment and maintain a social license to operate.

NGSA members are committed to:

- Reducing methane emissions and making significant investments in processes and technologies to address emissions and reduce flaring.
- Improving the quality of methane data to achieve greater transparency and promote better understanding of the challenges in managing methane emissions.

NGSA members support:

- Increased voluntary efforts and reasonable government policies are necessary to achieve further reductions of methane emissions.
 - Ultimately, the creation of an effective market mechanism could incentivize broader participation from all sectors.
- Methane policies and regulations must be scientifically sound, cost-effective and flexible to allow for efficient implementation, future technology deployment and continuous improvements.

NGSA's methane principles announcement follows on the heels of its announced support for carbon pricing in 2019. NGSA is the first national natural gas trade association to announce support for carbon pricing. Read more about actions NGSA's members are taking to address methane <u>here</u>.

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The Natural Gas Supply Association (NGSA) represents integrated and independent companies that supply natural gas. Founded in 1965, NGSA is the only national trade association that solely focuses on producermarketer issues related to the downstream natural gas industry. NGSA advocates for well-functioning markets that foster a growing, competitive market for natural gas. NGSA is dedicated to achieving a cleaner future through strong partnerships with renewables and supporting innovative technologies and market solutions that reduce emissions. For more information, please visit <u>www.ngsa.org</u>.

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