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ATTN: Trudy Transtrum or Nancy Johnson

Mr. Mark Maddox, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary  
Mr. James A. Slutz, Deputy Assistant Secretary  
United States Department of Energy  
Office of Fossil Energy (FE-30)  
1000 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, DC 20585

Re: Natural Gas Supply and Demand Outlook

Dear Messrs. Maddox and Slutz:

The American Public Gas Association (APGA) greatly appreciates the opportunity to provide the attached comments as part of the US Department of Energy *Balancing Natural Gas Supply and Demand* process under the Energy Policy Act of 2005. We appreciate the invitation and the opportunity the department provided APGA to participate in this very important industry dialogue.

We look forward to continuing dialogues and recommendations that will increase supply, improve demand flexibility and sustain infrastructure at affordable levels for our nation's industries and consumers.

Sincerely,

Bert Kalisch  
President and CEO

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