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Executive Update

Dear API Executive:

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We joined executives and workers with Williams, UGI Energy Services, and Cabot Oil & Gas to observe their operations in northeast Pennsylvania, where our industry distributes locally produced natural gas to consumers throughout the Mid-Atlantic and Northeastern states. See below for a group photo outside Williams' Susquehanna Supply Hub, which employs about 100 people.

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Industry-driven technology and innovation are on display across the facilities in this area, particularly at UGI's Manning Compression Station, which can liquefy 120,000 gallons of natural gas per day.

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And at the nearby Cabot site, energy problem solvers are using lower-carbon natural gas to power their drilling

rigs and deploying advanced methane monitoring equipment to minimize emissions.

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Later, API staff and our industry partners gathered with community leaders, local chamber representatives and elected officials. At this “Energy Celebration” and barbecue dinner, I delivered remarks highlighting the potential for American energy to power local economies, meet the world’s growing demand for fuels and deliver a lower-carbon future.

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The natural gas and oil industry comprises about 10% of Pennsylvania's annual GDP and supports nearly 500,000 direct, indirect and induced jobs across the state. And with the region's abundance of natural gas resources, our industry has helped reduce carbon dioxide emissions in the U.S. power sector to their lowest levels in more than 30 years. When it comes to economic and environmental progress, there's no doubt: Pennsylvania's energy producers are leading the way for America.

We then had the opportunity to visit the Lackawanna College School of Petroleum and Natural Gas, a state-of-the-art center for training the American energy workforce of the future. As our industry prepares the next generation of energy problem solvers, this vocational school increases awareness of – and access to – good-paying careers in the U.S. natural gas and oil sector.

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Additionally, we expect the facility to begin incorporating API's globally recognized standards into its curriculum, which stands to improve the safety and sustainability of operations in Pennsylvania and across the U.S. We also visited Invenenergy's Lackawanna Energy Center to tour the 1,485-megawatt natural gas combined-cycle electric generation facility, which has the capacity to power more than 1 million homes.

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And lastly, we hosted a roundtable discussion with leaders from the local building and construction trades. API member companies have longstanding relationships with organizations like the Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA) and the Northeast Pennsylvania Building and Construction Trades Council, which work closely with our industry on workforce training and infrastructure development.

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Watch for media stories about the trip, thanks to our Pennsylvania team's press connections here in the Keystone State. It was a productive week for API staff and industry representatives, and I'm thankful to everyone who participated in the week's events and conversations. Industry activity in Pennsylvania and the Appalachian region remain essential to American energy security, and we will continue to cultivate allies and advocate for sensible policies to ensure the ongoing development of these essential resources.

Sincerely,



Mike Sommers
President and CEO

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REMINDER: Complete Survey for 2022 Issue Prioritization by Aug. 20

API annually surveys member CEOs to confirm the issues most critical to the industry and to ensure API's agenda reflects our member's priorities. This Issue Prioritization is based on the approach developed by API Management and approved by the Board of Directors in recent years. The recommended **Issue Prioritization for 2022** was distributed on July 23 for your consideration and response by Friday, Aug. 20. Using the survey results, we will work with the Executive Committee and the Finance Committee to finalize API's priorities and proposed budget for 2022 for review and approval by the Board of Directors at the November Annual Meeting.

For more information, please contact [Howard Feldman](#) or [REDACTED]

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CSB Closes Out Safety Recommendation to API

At their July 29 meeting, the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (CSB) voted “Closed-Acceptable Action” on API’s response to one of their recommendations arising from the Pryor Trust, Oklahoma accident investigation. The recommendation called for API to update its standard Bulletin 97, *Well Construction Interface Document* to include onshore operations. Instead of updating the standard, the API committee recommended developing a new one due to the differences between offshore and onshore operations, terminology and environmental conditions. With CSB agreement, API developed Recommended Practice 97L, Onshore Well Construction Interface Document. As part of API’s commitment to safety, Recommended Practice 97L will be one of the API standards made available for free online viewing during OSHA’s Safe and Sound week, Aug. 9-15, 2021.

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