## Propane Education & Research Council Meeting December 18, 2020 Conference Call MINUTES

Chairman Daniel Dixon called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. ET on Friday, Dec. 18. He welcomed Council members in attendance via video conference call and noted the presence of a quorum.

Mr. Dixon, AmeriGas (Florence, AL) - Chairman

Dave Bertelsen, Matheson Gas (Hamilton, OH)

Nicholas Calabretti, Energy Transfer (Newtown Square, PA)

Kevin Cobb, Suburban Propane Partners LP (Eagle, ID)

Casey Cramton, Dead River Co. (South Portland, ME) – Vice Chairman, Marketers

Chris DeFilippo, Superior Plus Energy (Wayne, PA)

Mark Donahue, MarkWest Energy (Denver, CO)

Randy Doyle (Edinburg VA)

Gary France, France Propane Service (Schofield, WI.)

Jay Furman, Enable Midstream Services (Houston, TX)

Jeff Kerns, ThompsonGas (Frederick, MD) – Treasurer

Bruce Leonard, Targa (Houston, TX) — Vice Chairman, Producers

Dan Richardson, Conger LP Gas (Tifton, GA)

Mark Sutton (Wagoner, OK)

Stuart Weidie, Blossman Gas (Swannanoa, NC) - Secretary

Brian Wilkin, Enterprise Products Operating Co. (Houston, TX)

Leslie Woodward, Fairview USA (Wheatfield, NY)

## Chairman's Report

Mr. Dixon gave brief comments about the Advisory Committee meetings that took place this week. He noted they were well organized and had good volunteer engagement, and that the increased frequency of meetings is expected to improve productivity.

**Executive Committee:** Mr. Dixon reported that the Executive Committee met twice since the last Council meeting to review the NPGA-PERC partnership agreement and the prospect of sub-leasing Washington, D.C. office space to NPGA beginning in 2022. The committee also reviewed a proposal to fund a project on emerging hydrogen technologies, but rejected it due to high cost.

## **Business Development Report**

Senior Vice President of Business Development Cinch Munson presented Docket 22771: Cummins Phase II Commercialization of High Efficiency, High Performance, Low NOx 6.7L Medium Duty Propane Engine - \$12 million. The project follows up on the research and development phase, to which PERC committed \$6 million in 2016. Phase II will fund the final optimization, performance testing, emissions certification, manufacturing and production preparation, training and support necessary for

commercialization of the engine, which is scheduled to launch in 2024. Mr. Munson said the primary target applications are Class 6 and 7 vehicles (bobtails, beverage and package delivery, large school buses, etc.) and large material handling/port equipment and other stationary and mobile off-road uses.

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, Council approved Docket 22771 with contingencies for certain contractual requirements to be met.

## **Industry and Public Comments**

Mr. Dixon noted that several comments related to the Cummins proposal were received prior to the meeting.

**Old Business** 

There was no old business.

**New Business** 

There was no new business.

Mr. Dixon announced that the Feb. 3 Council meeting has been switched to a virtual format due to Covid-19 concerns. Details will be forthcoming.

By unanimous consent, Council adjourned at 10:59 a.m. ET.