



**Fleets should urge their legislators to cosponsor the Propane GAS Act (H.R. 2014/S. 1120)\***

**The Propane Green Autogas Solutions Act (“Propane GAS Act”) of 2011 would extend for five years federal alternative fuel tax credits for propane used as a motor fuel (also known as “autogas”), propane autogas vehicles, and propane autogas refueling equipment.**

To date, these tax credits have been extended year-to-year, creating market uncertainty which undermines the effectiveness of the incentives and discourages the kind of investment that Congress wants the private sector to make in clean domestic transportation fuel. The Propane GAS Act offers vehicle fleets operations and private investors the kind of long-term tax incentives necessary to further solidify propane autogas as a viable and competitive alternative transportation fuel.

- Government incentives shouldn’t be necessary to spur innovation. However, since other alternative fuels are already receiving incentives, we believe that the Propane GAS Act should be passed to provide parity for propane autogas and to ensure the alternative fuel marketplace is fair and competitive.
- Propane autogas provides one of the fastest returns on investment of any domestic alternative vehicle fuel. Autogas vehicles are the only economically feasible light- and medium-duty AFVs that can be deployed on a large scale and achieve comparable performance to gasoline vehicles.
- The Propane GAS Act puts incentives directly into the pockets of the U.S. business fleets, making the switch to an American-made alternative fuel practical and with transparent policy benefits.
- Autogas vehicle market incentives are good fiscal policy. Public and private fleets that are early adopters of autogas vehicles are seeing significant long-term cost savings due to lower fuel costs.
- The Propane GAS Act offers the kind of long-term policy commitment necessary to encourage private investment, build essential alternative fuel infrastructure, and bolster a burgeoning autogas market that will provide an immediate return on taxpayer investment.
- Propane autogas vehicles and related refueling infrastructure are available now. Both OEM-equivalent and after-market conversion options are available, and for \$25,000 - \$50,000 propane refueling facilities can be quickly and easily installed.
- Propane autogas is already powering vehicles across the country. While no single alternative fuel can completely displace conventional fuels in the short term, propane autogas can provide our country with significant benefits and make an immediate impact.
- Propane autogas vehicles produce 20 percent less greenhouse gas (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions, and less particulate matter, carbon monoxide, and nitrogen oxide than gasoline engines.
- Supporting the Propane GAS Act is a vote for American energy security because 90 percent of our nation’s autogas is domestically produced. In addition, propane supply is expected to increase over the next several decades, guaranteeing consumer availability and price stability.



- Gasoline and diesel have a marketplace monopoly. We must introduce competitors to gasoline and diesel, such as propane autogas; otherwise, we will continue to be dependent on foreign oil.

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