

To: NTF Membership
From: Damon Wells and Leslee Oden
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RE: Propane Preparedness for Winter 2014/2015

With Winter fast approaching, NTF remains highly engaged on the issue of propane and we continue to monitor propane inventory as we move into the colder months. In order to better prepare for propane and heating fuel shortages and regional supply disruptions in the future; Congress has introduced and passed legislation to alleviate another potential crisis. NTF has prepared a couple of action items for members to complete as we move into the final legislative months and winter season.

Action Items

1.) We encourage you to use our grassroots program, available through our website to send your Member of Congress a letter that urges them to co-sponsor bipartisan propane legislation in both the House and Senate. Additionally, asking them to reach out to the Department of Energy and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to inquire about what actions they have taken to ensure a propane shortage is avoided in the future.

[Visit the NTF "Take Action" page to send your letters!](#)

- S.2762 – Propane Supply and Security Act of 2014 sponsored by Senators Al Franken (D) of Minnesota and Rob Portman (R) of Ohio.
- H.R.5469 – Propane Supply and Security Act of 2014 sponsored by Rep. Bob Latta (R) of Ohio

2.) We encourage you to contact your Governor and ask how your state is preparing for the winter season. Under public law passed earlier this year, the administrator of the Energy Information Administration (EIA) is required to provide early warnings to governors if the inventory of residential heating fuel (propane, natural gas, and home heating oil) falls below the most recent five-year average for more than three consecutive weeks. Please use this opportunity to ask your local and state officials on how they will alert the public and business community should supplies fall to low levels.

Please feel free to contact NTF if you have any questions or need assistance.

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