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Tricia Treece
Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality

Dear Ms. Treece:

I wished to request consideration for Propane Autogas to be included in the projects funded by the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Trust.

If you are truly looking for ways to impact the greatest number of Arkansas residents with the highest amount of emissions reduction and the lowest cost for infrastructure, fuel systems and fuel then Propane Autogas is the solution.

Propane Autogas is also sustainable with a higher ROI and lower cost per unit where some of the other alternative fuel solutions will not be viable unless additional future funding is provided.

As a retail propane dealer in the state of Arkansas and as the President of the Arkansas Propane Gas Association, I know firsthand the benefits to the reduction of NOx emissions & greenhouses gases provided by clean, affordable, portable Propane Autogas.

We have provided Propane Autogas for our fleet of 26 company vehicles for several years and found them to be a clean, safe, economical fuel source which reduces our vehicle maintenance and extends the useful life of our fleet.

I am requesting your help in giving Propane Autogas your full consideration for projects funded by this Trust.

If you have questions, please call me at 479-841-0430 or a tom.blackwood@simfoods.com.

Sincerely,

Tom Blackwood
Manager
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