

What's Happening in Washington

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About APGA

Over 700 member utilities in 38 States

APGA is the only not-for-profit trade organization representing America's publicly owned natural gas local distribution companies.

APGA members include:

- Philadelphia Gas Works
- Village of Hamilton, New York



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Regulatory Developments

Greater emphasis on electrification

- ❑ Appliance Efficiency Standards
 - ❑ Residential Furnaces
 - ❑ Commercial Water Heaters



Challenges to building pipeline infrastructure



- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Policy Statements
- Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

All agencies talking about climate

- **Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)** climate disclosures
- **Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)** climate statement
- **Others**

Anything else?

Focus on Regulations

- Legal challenges
- Congressional Review Act

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Legislative Developments

Actually, A Busy 2022



Energy Legislation

- Inflation Reduction Act
- Permitting with Continuing Resolution

November Elections

Change in majority?



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What You Can Do

Learn the Solutions

- »» *Support energy infrastructure*
- »» *Conduct federal lease sales*
- »» *Let Consumers choose*
- »» *Others?*



NEED YOUR HELP

»» APGA Committee Involvement

Direct Use Task Group

Legislative Subcommittee

Regulatory Subcommittee

Codes and Standards Committee



Talk to Your Elected Officials

- Find your legislators.
 - www.House.gov
 - www.Senate.gov
 - Ask me!
- Engage
 - Social Media/Email.
 - In-person (In-district meetings are great!)



Telling Your Story

- The key to engage is your personal story.
 - What is your story?
 - It will be memorable (maybe better than facts and figures)
 - A lot of good training to teach how to tell your story.
 - www.CongressFoundation.org



Why Not You?

You are Natural Gas Industry Leaders. You have a unique voice.

Remember you are not insulated.

Embolden others with our message

➤ Practical Environmentalists

Always know, if you are not sure what to do or how to do it, you can ask!

THANK YOU

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