



Natural Gas Vehicles for America

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Ad Campaign Urges Congress to Jump Start Switch to Natural Gas Vehicles

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 23, 2011 – With their constituents frustrated with the high cost of fuel, Members of Congress are being urged to help jump start the switch to vehicles powered by domestically produced natural gas.

NGVAmerica, the trade association that represents the natural gas vehicle industry, took to the airwaves beginning this weekend to encourage Congress to pass the New Alternative Transportation to Give Americans Solutions (NAT GAS) Act of 2011, and a similar print ad will appear this week in Washington, D.C. based publications.

HR 1380 was introduced April 6 by U.S. Rep. John Sullivan, R-OK, and already has 186 co-sponsors in the House. The bill would provide incentives to encourage more fleets and consumers to buy natural gas vehicles, more companies to build natural gas fueling locations and more vehicle manufacturers to produce natural gas vehicles in the U.S.

“Every day we are sending \$1 billion outside the country because of our addiction to oil,” said Richard Kolodziej, president of NGVAmerica. “This hemorrhaging of money is costing us tens of thousands of American jobs and sapping the economic health of the country. Importantly, with some of that money going to regimes that don’t especially like us, we are, in effect, funding both sides of the war on terrorism. We want Americans to know that there is an alternative, namely accelerating the use of domestic natural gas in vehicles instead of gasoline and diesel.”

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NGVAmerica is a national organization dedicated to the development of a growing, sustainable and profitable market for vehicles powered by natural gas or biomethane. NGVAmerica represents more than 100 companies interested in the promotion and use of natural gas and biomethane as transportation fuels, including: engine, vehicle and equipment manufacturers; fleet operators and service providers; natural gas companies; and environmental groups and government organizations. For more information about NGVAmerica, visit our website at www.ngvamerica.org

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