Washington, DC (May 21, 2015) – This week, two Members of Congress, Robert Latta (R-OH) and Timothy Walz (D-MN), announced the creation of the Congressional Propane Caucus (CPC) and invited their colleagues to join. Additional founding members of the caucus include, Rep. Chris Collins (R-NY); Rep. Sean Duffy (R-WI); Rep. Mike Kelly (R-PA); Rep. Ron Kind (D-WI); Rep. Dave Loebsck (D-IA); Rep. Rick Nolan (D-MN); Rep. Tom Reed (R-NY); and Rep. Peter Welch (D-VT).

In a letter to every Member of Congress, Representatives Latta and Walz state:

Propane is an abundant, clean-burning, domestic fuel that is a key component in America’s energy portfolio. … Recent developments in the energy sector have generated a strong domestic propane supply that is project to remain plentiful for the foreseeable future. However, this domestic energy abundance has placed strains on the delivery infrastructure that we will have to address in order to avert future disruptions and ensure reliable, affordable fuel to propane consumers.

“Propane users are in almost every congressional district in the United States. The Congressional Propane Caucus provides a dedicated group of legislators committed to addressing the infrastructure challenges facing these constituents. I’m looking forward to working with this distinguished group and ensuring that consumers can continue to rely on propane for their energy needs,” said Rick Roldan, President and CEO of the National Propane Gas Association.

Propane contributes $38.7 billion to America’s GDP and provides nearly 50,000 domestic jobs. More than 50 million Americans choose propane for a variety of applications, including: space heating, cooking, clothes drying, and grilling. Globally, propane is the third most prevalent vehicle fuel, and there are approximately 150,000 propane-powered vehicles in the United States.

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