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**RE: Natural Gas Service
Docket No. A-2011-2275595
Docket No. A-2011-2284831**

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

The New Milford Borough Council would like to express to you our support in favor of the recent proposed settlement reached between Leatherstocking and UGI Penn Natural Service, Inc. regarding the above referenced dockets. With this settlement moving forward, we believe, as the governing body of New Milford Borough, it would greatly expedite the availability of public natural gas to our community. We have previously expressed concern of the granting of an exclusive franchise without a timeline of initiated operations as part of the exclusive franchise. This settlement will, in our opinion, relieve that concern with the granting of a non-exclusive franchise. This will allow another entity to possibly be granted a franchise if the current applicant chooses to not supply all the franchised areas in the plan within reasonable timelines or at all. We believe that the current proposed settlement is in the best interests of our community and urge the granting of a non-exclusive franchise to Leatherstocking Gas Company for the Borough of New Milford.

This municipality's interest and support are available in any way to aid those that wish to provide natural gas service to our community. Please contact this council for any assistance needed to expedite the potential for growth within our community. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the number above or councilman Rick Ainey at (570) 465-7228. Thank you for your efforts on behalf of the residents of New Milford Borough.

Sincerely,



Teri M. Gulick, Council President
New Milford Borough

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