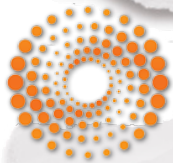


*Too Much Winter, and Not
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“At the end of the day, this is really a
transportation and distribution issue”

2/11/2014 -- Mollie O'Dell, National Propane Gas Association

Provide Relief from the Propane and Home Heating Fuel Crisis

HHEATT

H.R. 4076: The Home Heating Emergency Assistance Through Transportation (HHEATT) Act of 2014



An exceptionally cold winter has increased demand for propane, which is used for heating in more than 12 million U.S. households, and for other home heating fuels. Supplies are expected to remain tight through the end of winter because the infrastructure to deliver propane to high-demand areas is insufficient. Extreme weather conditions are not expected to subside any time soon, threatening the lives and livelihoods of those with homes, farms, and businesses that depend on heat from propane and other home heating fuels. It is essential to get supplies to those who need them most by addressing transportation and distribution issues.

Providing Certainty to Improve Distribution and Increase Supply

- The U.S. Department of Transportation has issued temporary emergency declarations to allow tank truck operators delivering propane and other home heating fuels to drive for longer hours to speed up deliveries to the affected states. However, these declarations can only last 30 days at a time, creating uncertainty and limited relief.
- The HHEATT Act provides a guaranteed extension of the U.S. Department of Transportation's emergency declarations until May 31, 2014.
- This important legislation will provide the certainty needed to address critical heating fuel transportation and distribution issues and will give much needed relief to those states impacted by the crisis.
- Should the propane and home heating fuels crisis subside prior to May 31, 2014, on a state by state basis the Secretary of Transportation, in consultation with the Governors of affected states, may determine that the extension of the emergency declarations is no longer needed.