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API Pennsylvania Executive Director Appointed to Philadelphia LNG Export Task Force

HARRISBURG, PA – January 20, 2023 – American Petroleum Institute Pennsylvania (API PA) Executive Director Stephanie Catarino Wissman today issued the following statement regarding her appointment to the Philadelphia LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) Export Task Force:

“I commend state lawmakers for recognizing the need to reduce reliance on Russian energy and look forward to participating on this taskforce to conduct a comprehensive study on the potential for an LNG export terminal that could harness Pennsylvania’s rich natural gas reserves to grow our economy and help supply our allies with reliable energy.”

The Task Force, which was created under [Act 133 of 2022](#) to study and produce a report on how to develop an LNG export terminal in southeast Pennsylvania, includes members of the General Assembly, natural gas industry, Philadelphia building trades and other leaders in the region. State Rep. Martina White (R-Philadelphia) has been selected to chair the Task Force.

“As a recent [study](#) has shown, significantly more U.S. LNG will likely be required to fully rebalance European gas markets in the wake of Russian’s invasion of Ukraine and the resulting energy crisis. Pennsylvania is well positioned to help meet the growing demand for reliable natural gas – both for U.S. consumers and allies overseas – while strengthening our nation’s energy security and advancing global decarbonization goals,” said Wissman.

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