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Cross-country Natural Gas Vehicle Road Rally Roars through Spartanburg, SC

Palmetto Clean Fuels, an initiative of the SC Office of Regulatory Staff (ORS) Energy Office, will co-host a stop on the 2nd annual *From Sea to Shining Sea* National Gas Vehicle (NGV) Road Rally Across America on Tuesday, June 13 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Piedmont Natural Gas Resource Center (PNG Resource Center) in Spartanburg, South Carolina. A press conference will be held at 11:30 a.m.

This year's NGV Road Rally— presented by NGV America, the American Public Gas Association, and the American Gas Association— highlights the many benefits of using clean-burning, domestic natural gas in transportation and the variety of vehicles available today that operate on natural gas.

Natural gas must be compressed or liquefied for use in vehicles. South Carolina has seven publicly accessible compressed natural gas (CNG) stations, all located in the Upstate. One of those stations is located at the PNG Resource Center.

This year's 18-stop, 4,825-mile journey began near Long Beach, CA on Monday, June 5 and will conclude in Washington, DC on Friday, June 16.

"Palmetto Clean Fuels is pleased to support this event and the clean energy transportation sector" noted Anthony James, Director of the Energy Office within the ORS.

The address of the PNG Resource Center is 501 West Blackstock Road in Spartanburg, SC.

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Palmetto Clean Fuels Coalition (PCF) is an initiative of the Office of Regulatory Staff - Energy Office. PCF works to increase the use of alternative fuels and advanced vehicle technologies in South Carolina. PCF strives to help public and private entities, as well as individuals, lower fuel costs, improve air quality, and reduce petroleum consumption. PCF also promotes idle reduction, fuel economy measures, vehicle miles traveled reductions, and bicycle and pedestrian efforts.

Clean Cities is a locally based, voluntary public/private partnership coordinated by the US Department of Energy (DOE). DOE developed this program in order to promote energy use in the transportation sector that is clean, safe, less dependent upon foreign sources, and sustainable. Clean Cities builds on local initiatives and partnerships as well as nationwide networks to achieve its goals. By combining local decision-making with voluntary action by partners, this grassroots community action group seeks to create effective programs that will combine for a sustainable nationwide alternative fuels market. PCF is the DOE Clean Cities designee for South Carolina.

From Sea to Shining Sea NGV Road Rally Across America

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

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Piedmont Natural Gas Resource Center

501 West Blackstock Road

Spartanburg, SC 29301

Natural Gas Benefits and Considerations (US Department of Energy)

https://www.afdc.energy.gov/fuels/natural_gas_benefits.html

Natural Gas Station Locations (US Department of Energy)

https://www.afdc.energy.gov/fuels/natural_gas_locations.html