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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft PEDA Energy Plan for 2019.

We are writing on behalf of the Pennsylvania Propane Gas Association (PAPGA). Overall we see it as a solid plan, however, the fact there is virtually no mention of propane is a major oversight! Propane is an indigenous, mostly family-run industry employing thousands of Pennsylvanians and supporting small businesses, homes and farms across the state. Propane provides a readily available clean energy source with renewable opportunities. Below are several sources of information to bolster the inclusion of propane in this plan.

On page 4 of the Plan, the last paragraph goes through a litany of fuels. Propane deserves to be listed alongside them.

Second, there is tremendous market potential for renewable propane, especially in the transportation market. (For more information - <https://www.lpgasmagazine.com/renewable-propane-may-be-the-key-to-the-industrys-future/> or <https://www.regi.com/products/transportation-fuels/reg-renewable-propane>.)

Given the importance of the energy market in Pennsylvania, and the state's desire to incentivize clean fuel and retain good energy jobs in the state, it would benefit the state to incentivize the production of renewable propane, potentially serving as a hub of renewable production for Northeastern propane consumers.

Third, a few statistics that could be helpful to cite:

1. In 2018, Pennsylvania consumers used nearly 380 million gallons of propane. Although the 2018 economic impact numbers (that report is now three weeks late), are not yet available, the following information is instructive: <https://www.npga.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/NPGA-Propane-Impact-Pennsylvania.pdf>
2. There is also a graphic from the Propane Education and Research Council (PERC) on the environmental benefits of propane school buses in Pennsylvania: https://propane.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/54579_Pennsylvania.pdf
3. And finally, attached is an infographic showing how the use of propane supports the state's zero net energy goals.

The Pennsylvania Propane Gas Association stands ready to work with the Commonwealth to achieve its energy goals, and strongly urges this Plan to fully reflect the use of propane to accomplish them.

Sincerely,

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