

The AGA Board of Directors approved the following Renewable Natural Gas Policy Principles in February 2018.

AGA Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Policy Principles

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Policy Principles:

- AGA supports federal, state and regional policies, where technically and economically feasible, that promote greater use of renewable natural gas (RNG) in all sectors of the economy -- including residential, commercial, industrial use, and marine and surface transportation -- to provide consumers with greater access to domestic resilient, low carbon energy options.
- AGA supports policies that allow utilities to develop RNG Programs, offering RNG to customers and providing customers the option to voluntarily reduce their carbon footprint through the purchase of RNG.
- AGA supports policies that would qualify RNG in the state's definition of a renewable energy resource.
- AGA supports continued education efforts with policy makers to inform them about the economic and environmental benefits of RNG so that, regardless of the end-use, well-informed policy decision can be made.
- AGA supports policies that facilitate RNG projects by providing natural gas utilities with the option to recover their investment and operating and maintenance costs in state utility rate cases, thereby recognizing the public policy benefits of RNG as a pathway for lowering carbon emissions.
- AGA supports the development of appropriate consensus guidelines regarding gas quality and interconnection issues.
- AGA supports regulatory policies that allow utilities to invest in and/or finance facilities associated with RNG production, conditioning, and transport.
- AGA supports policies that facilitate funding for research, pilot demonstrations, and commercial deployment of cost-effective and efficient technologies for producing and conditioning (cleaning) RNG from waste streams and/or power-to-gas.
- AGA supports the continued growth of the RNG industry as an economic development tool.

- AGA supports the consideration of RNG potential within any legislation or regulatory proceedings exploring Zero Net Energy policies.