



# PROPANE EXCHANGE

June-July 2015 \* West Virginia Propane Gas Association

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## TOUR OF MID-STREAM FRAC FACILITY HIGHLIGHT OF JUNE MTG

With all the fracking taking place in the state resulting in the production of massive amounts of propane, association members thought it would be a great idea to see the process up close.

That is why attendees of the Summer Meeting got a first hand look the mid-stream facilities of Williams Energy in Moundsville, WV. Officials with Williams Energy rolled out the red carpet as we learned more about the process and then toured an actual operation.

Joe Henry, Crestwood Partners LLC, who helped set up the visit, gave a very thorough briefing of how to incorporate shale gas into marketers supply contracts.

An added bonus was a visit by Josh Wasielec of Bluebird Bus of PA & WV. He brought one of the newly constructed propane-powered school buses

Not only did we get to experience the power of the vehicle firsthand, but he discussed the new pilot project underway with the WV Department of Education.

## WEST VIRGINIA'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION GETS VISIT

Representatives of the West Virginia Propane Gas Association went to Washington, DC to meet with the state's 2 Senators and 3 Congressmen.

Brian Crespo of Blue Flame, Inc. and a member of the WVPGA Board of Directors, along with Executive Director, Tom Osina, met with either staff members in all offices or with the representative himself (i.e., Senator Joe Manchin in picture above).

Issues discussed included:

- \* Equalization of highway taxes on propane and gasoline;
- \* Level playing field for propane-powered vehicles; and
- \* Extension of the 50 cent Alternative Fuel Credit.

Brian also urged each of the state's representatives to join the newly formed Congressional Propane Caucus.

These visits were conducted in conjunction with NPGA's Propane Days.

## AMAZING MEETING COMING UP

The Fall Annual Meeting for the West Virginia Propane Gas Association takes place on September 15-16, 2015 at the Waterfront Hotel, Morgantown, WV.

This meeting will feature Dennis Cruise of Propane Training Services. He will update participants on upcoming safety regulations of which one needs to be aware. Dennis will also do a review and checklist of those regs that many propane marketers forget but still need to be handling.

Charlie Ory, Chairman of the National Propane Gas Association, will also speak. He has declared the threat of natural gas expansion to be a major focus of his term which, with the passage of WV SB 390 earlier this year, is very timely.

Those who come in early on Sept 15th will have a chance to play golf at the Pines Golf Course and/or do a group dinner at the hotel.

Meeting details and registration will be posted at [www.wvpropanegas.org](http://www.wvpropanegas.org).