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## News Release

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For Immediate Release

### Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Shareholders Vote To Accept Dominion Merger Proposal

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma – At a special meeting held today, the shareholders of Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Corp. (NYSE:LD) voted to approve the company's merger with and into a wholly owned subsidiary of Dominion (NYSE:D). Trading in the shares of Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas will be suspended at the close of trading on Wednesday, October 31, 2001 and will subsequently be delisted from the New York Stock Exchange. The merger will be effective at 12:01 am on Thursday, November 1, 2001.

Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas is one of the largest independent natural gas companies engaged in the acquisition, development, exploration, production and marketing of natural gas and crude oil in the United States. Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas is headquartered in Oklahoma City, Okla., and has about 400 employees. Through October 31, 2001, the common stock of Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "LD". For more information about Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas, visit the company's web site at [www.ldng.com](http://www.ldng.com).

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