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Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Elects New Board Member

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma -- Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Corp. (NYSE: LD) announced the election of Nancy K. Quinn to its Board of Directors at today's annual meeting of shareholders. Ms. Quinn is a Limited Partner of The Beacon Group, LP a private investment and advisory partnership headquartered in New York City, which she joined in 1996. Prior to 1996, Ms. Quinn was a Managing Director and Co-Head of the Energy and Natural Resources Group at PaineWebber Inc. and Kidder Peabody & Co. Inc. She is a director of a private oil and gas company and was previously a director of DeepTech International. Ms. Quinn holds a B.F.A. from Louisiana State University and an M.B.A. from the University of Arkansas.

“We are pleased to have Nancy join our Board. Her knowledge of the energy industry and capital markets will prove valuable to our Board and the Company,” stated Simon Rich, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Louis Dreyfus Natural Gas Corp.

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