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Dear Crude Oil Producer/ Supplier:

As you are no doubt aware, the Appalachian Basin is home to exciting new natural gas exploration, especially in the Marcellus Shale formation. As a result, there is an increasing supply of high gravity liquids in the Basin, including various condensates, gas liquids, and stripped liquids.

Unfortunately, high gravity liquids are not compatible with ARG's refining operations. When introduced into the refinery Penn Grade crude oil stream, there are negative consequences for process operations, product quality, and economic performance. In order for ARG to provide a long term, viable, competitive market for your Penn Grade crude oil production, we must, at this time, restrict purchases of these high gravity liquids.

Therefore, effective September 1, 2009, ARG will post a separate price for any crude oil, or other hydrocarbon liquid with an API gravity greater than 50 degrees. Furthermore, ARG reserves the right to refuse the purchase of any crude oil, or other hydrocarbon liquid, with an API gravity greater than 50 degrees. This new posting will be identified as Appalachian Light Liquids (ALL) and will be posted daily on our website, [www.amref.com](http://www.amref.com). This posting will also be subject to the same 10 day average pricing for payments as our current Ohio, New York, and Pennsylvania Penn Grade crude oil postings.

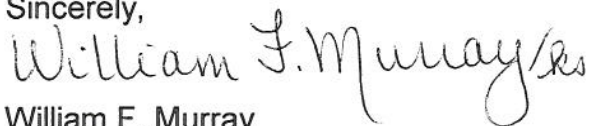
The above new pricing policy for high gravity liquids is necessary to ensure our ability to maintain quality processing at our refinery and a continued stable market for your Penn Grade crude oil.

In order to better serve your needs, we are working to develop a market for these high gravity liquids. By segregating high gravity liquids from our Penn Grade crude supply we hope to be able to purchase higher volumes in the future.

For clarification, or to address any questions regarding this announcement, please contact me at 330-244-9607 or Dave Mahan at 814-368-1320.

Thank you again the continuing opportunity for ARG to purchase your crude oil.

Sincerely,



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