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INGAA applauds Senate passage of pipeline safety authorization bill

WASHINGTON— Don Santa, president and CEO of the Interstate Natural Gas Association of America, today released the following statement, commending the U.S. Senate for passing the House-passed pipeline safety bill:

“Senate passage of the House-passed pipeline bill paves the way for a renewal this year of a law that enhances the safety of the nation’s pipeline system that delivers more than half of the energy consumed by Americans.

“We commend both chambers of Congress for working in a bipartisan manner to complete work this session on this important legislation, which updates and improves policies in several areas of pipeline safety, including integrity management, incident notification, public education and awareness, damage prevention and pipeline safety research and development.

“We are confident that President Obama will sign this bill – one of the few energy-related pieces of legislation to pass Congress this year – into law.

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INGAA is the North American association representing the interstate and interprovincial natural gas pipeline industry. INGAA’s members operate approximately 200,000 miles of pipelines, and serve as an indispensable link between natural gas producers and consumers.