

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17105-3265**

Investigation into the Natural Gas Supply Market: Report on Stakeholders' Working Group (SEARCH); Action Plan for Increasing Effective Competition in Pennsylvania's Retail Natural Gas Supply Services Market

**PUBLIC MEETING  
September 11, 2008  
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**STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER KIM PIZZINGRILLI**

Today we are fulfilling another key obligation under the Gas Choice Act. The Commission is formally adopting and releasing the report documenting the work of the Natural Gas Stakeholders Working Group and setting forth the Commission's Action Plan to increase competition in the retail market for natural gas supply services.

The Action Plan represents a comprehensive strategy resolving many issues central to the successful implementation of the Act. I thank the SEARCH (Stakeholders Exploring Avenues for Removing Competition Hurdles) stakeholders and the Commission's team, which is comprised of representatives from nearly every PUC office and bureau, for the time and effort contributed to this project so far. We also appreciate the resources that will continue to be devoted as we implement our Action Plan by establishing an Office of Competitive Market Oversight and by promulgating a number of regulations. We look forward to the continued input of all stakeholders.

**September 11, 2008**  
Date

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**KIM PIZZINGRILLI, COMMISSIONER**