

# THE NEW ENGLAND COUNCIL

## New England Energy & Environment Forum Series Focus on Natural Gas

June 30, 2004  
8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  
Providence Marriott Hotel  
Providence, RI

### **Keynote Speaker:** **The Honorable Donald Carcieri, Governor of Rhode Island**

Natural gas is becoming an increasingly significant fuel in New England, particularly for electric generation, just as national trends point to a tight supply picture and higher prices for the near-term. What does the future hold for natural gas supply and price, and what are the options to help move towards greater stability in the national – and regional - natural gas market?

This “New England Energy & Environment Forum Series: Focus on Natural Gas” will provide a comprehensive overview of North American natural gas market trends, as well as regional supply issues and options, and opportunities for achieving greater cost stability. Panel discussion and audience dialogue will focus on such issues as supply options, gas and power generation, regional approaches to fuel diversity and siting, and the business perspective on managing energy costs.

- 8:30 a.m.:** Registration and Breakfast  
**9:00 a.m.:** Welcome by Tom Robillard, President & COO, New England Gas Company  
**9:05 a.m.:** Introduction of Governor Donald Carcieri by Jim Brett, President & CEO, The New England Council  
**9:15 a.m.:** Keynote Address by Governor Donald Carcieri  
**9:45 a.m.:** Presentation of Findings of National Petroleum Council (NPC) Study of North American Natural Gas Supply and Demand by Hal Chappelle with Q&A  
**10:10 a.m.:** Implications for New England and Introduction of Panel by Moderator Tom Kiley, President & CEO, Northeast Gas Association  
**10:20 a.m.:** Panel Discussion:  
David Manning, Senior Vice President, Keyspan  
Bill Taylor, Vice President, TransCanada Power  
Robert Keating, Commissioner, MA DTE and Chairman, NARUC Gas Committee  
TBA, ISO-New England  
**11:20 a.m.:** Closing Remarks by Jim Brett

The forum is being presented by the New England Council, in partnership with the New England Governors’ Conference and the Northeast Gas Association.