## New Mexico Gas Company Honored by EPA as 2015 ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year

(ALBUQUERQUE, N.M.) – The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has recognized New Mexico Gas Company with a 2015 ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year Award for its outstanding efforts to increase adoption of energy-efficient products and services. NMGC's accomplishments will be recognized in Washington, D.C., on April 20, 2015.

"We are honored to receive this award," said Steve Casey, manager of NMGC's energy efficiency programs. "Through our work, more customers are taking actions that save energy and water and help the environment by reducing greenhouse gas emissions."

NMGC has won an ENERGY STAR® award for six straight years and the ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year Award in four of the past six years.

"New Mexico Gas Company is helping transform the market for energy efficiency by leading in implementing ENERGY STAR® programs," said EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy. "Using ENERGY STAR® resources, NMGC is broadening access to energy-saving approaches that grow the economy and protect the climate."

Casey said that for the most recently audited program year, customer participation in NMGC energy efficiency programs will produce lifetime savings of 9.6 million therms of natural gas and 57.2 million gallons of water.

NMGC's energy efficiency programs for residential customers include:

- Free low-flow showerhead kits;
- A rebate of up to \$500 for installing additional R-19 or greater insulation;
- A rebate of up to \$300 for installing an ENERGY STAR®-certified tankless or condensing water heater with an energy factor of .90 or greater; and
- A rebate of up to \$375 for installing a high efficiency gas furnace or boiler with an annual fuel utilization efficiency of 92 percent or higher.

The company also has a variety of programs for commercial customers and actively supports the low-income weatherization efforts of the New Mexico Mortgage Finance Authority's NM Energy\$mart program.

A complete list of 2015 Energy Star® award winners is available online.