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**Natural Gas Vehicle Institute to Exhibit at NACS Show 2012**

*Executive Director Leo Thomason to Speak at PEI Convention One-On-One Session*

**Las Vegas, NV** - Natural Gas Vehicle Institute (NGVi), North America's leading provider of training and consulting services related to natural gas as a transportation fuel, is pleased to announce its upcoming attendance at the National Association of Convenience Stores (NACS) on October 8-10 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. NGVi will be featured in the Petroleum Equipment and Services area (Booth #4935).

Founded by Leo and Annalloyd Thomason, the company provides a wide range of services including technical training, consulting, policy development, fleet assessment and expert testimony before public and private governing bodies. In its 23-year history, NGVi has worked with hundreds of companies and government agencies throughout the U.S. and worldwide to help successfully integrate natural gas into their transportation mix. Through customized training courses, NGVi has helped more than 15,500 students in the U.S. and abroad to understand natural gas fueling and many other aspects of natural gas vehicle repair, inspection and fueling station maintenance and design.

The [NACS Show](#) attracts more than 22,000 attendees from more than 60 countries and provides a comprehensive representation of products and services for the convenience and fuel retailing industry. As part of the tradeshow, Petroleum Equipment Institute (PEI) will host its annual convention, beginning on October 7 in the Petroleum Equipment and Services Area.

NGVi founder and executive director, Leo Thomason will host a [PEI 1-on-1 session: CNG Fueling Station Equipment](#), allowing attendees a chance to ask specific questions on the opportunities and infrastructure surrounding CNG as a transportation fuel. The session will take place in aisle 5400 in the Petroleum & Services area of the trade show floor from 2-3 p.m.

As gasoline and diesel fuel prices continue to soar, the petroleum equipment and services industry has responded with an interest in compressed natural gas (average retail price of \$2.08 per GGE) as a more economical way to power fleets and consumer vehicles. PEI represents more than 1,600 companies around the world and is the leading authority and source of information for the fuel and fluid handling equipment industries.

In response to the industry's growing demand for CNG fuel and fueling stations, 60 PEI members gathered in Las Vegas to attend NGVi's CNG Fueling Station Design and Construction class last February. Because of the class's overwhelming popularity, NGVi held two additional classes, one in Baltimore and another in Chicago—each with an additional 60 members in attendance. The curriculum is designed for companies that are interested in or responsible for designing and building natural gas fueling stations, as well as equipment providers and those involved in permitting CNG stations. The PEI Convention at the NACS Tradeshow will provide NGVi an opportunity to share additional relevant technical training and consulting services with PEI members and affiliates in attendance.

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ABOUT NGVI: NGVi is North America's leading provider of technical consulting and training education on natural gas vehicles and fueling technologies. Established in 1989, NGVi has worked with hundreds of companies and government agencies throughout the U.S. and worldwide to help successfully integrate natural gas into their transportation mix. NGVi's training team is comprised of CSA and ASE certified instructors, each with more than 20 years' experience in technical consulting and training on natural gas vehicles and fueling. Leo Thomason, Executive Director, is known internationally as an expert in natural gas fueling and vehicle technology and has personally, successfully trained more than 15,500 students in the United States and worldwide. <http://www.ngvi.com>

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