



The Petroleum Alliance of Oklahoma believes the time is now for the Oklahoma Legislature to support the investment in new natural gas-fueled generation by Grand River Dam Authority (GRDA).

The Alliance encourages and strongly supports GRDA's plan for a strategic and responsible investment to construct two new natural gas generation units.

This forward-thinking initiative underscores GRDA's commitment to provide reliable, efficient, and environmentally responsible power to the communities and companies it serves.

Natural gas has long been a cornerstone of Oklahoma's energy economy, delivering affordable and dependable power while significantly reducing emissions. By integrating these new natural gas units, GRDA not only is enhancing grid stability, but also is reinforcing Oklahoma's position as a leader in resilient energy production.

"GRDA is committed to ensuring Oklahoma does not fall behind in the ever-increasing competitive space for economic development and ensuring we can continue to deliver affordable electricity to all the customers we serve. We must continue to invest in more generation to meet the current and growing demand. This investment will help us bring jobs and revenue to our state," said Dan Sullivan, GRDA's chief executive officer.

Sullivan continued, "We are simply seeking additional bonding capacity in order to construct additional energy generation. Increasing our bonding capacity has no financial risk to the state of Oklahoma. GRDA is the only state agency with a cap on bonding, and the debt of GRDA is not a financial obligation of the State of Oklahoma according to 90-year-old statutory language."

"GRDA's investment in new power generation by clean-burning natural gas will help prepare Oklahoma to meet the increased demand for reliable baseload power as state leaders work to attract new industries and grow existing ones. Our expansive natural gas resources will continue to play a critical role in meeting power demand here and globally for generations to come," said Brook A. Simmons, president of The Petroleum Alliance of Oklahoma. "GRDA's decision to expand natural gas infrastructure also fosters job creation, boosts economic growth statewide, and will lift Oklahoma's general revenue fund."

Simmons added, "We commend GRDA for recognizing the vital role new natural gas power generation will play in Oklahoma's energy future."

"GRDA contributes over \$15 million annually directly, and in-kind to the state of Oklahoma. GRDA is also an economic engine generating almost \$1 billion annually into Oklahoma's

economy. GRDA provides power to 15 Oklahoma communities as well as over 80 companies in Mid-America industrial Park" said John Wiscaver, executive vice president, GRDA.

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