



**National Fuel Gas Company to Present at the BMO Capital Markets 2009
North American Unconventional Gas Conference**

(January 8, 2009) Williamsville, N.Y.: National Fuel Gas Company ("National Fuel") (NYSE: NFG) will participate in The BMO Capital Markets 2009 North American Unconventional Gas Conference, on January 13, 2009, in New York City, NY. The conference features presentations by executives from various energy exploration and production companies and is designed to provide an in-depth look at trends and progress in finding and developing unconventional natural gas resources.

Presenting on behalf of National Fuel will be Ronald J. Tanski, Treasurer and Principal Financial Officer of National Fuel Gas Company, and Matthew D. Cabell, President of Seneca Resources Corporation, National Fuel's wholly owned exploration and production subsidiary.

National Fuel's portion of the presentation will be available as a live webcast beginning at approximately 11:15 a.m. EDT on Tuesday, January 13, 2009. To access the webcast, visit the National Fuel Investor Relations homepage at investor.nationalfuelgas.com.

National Fuel is an integrated energy company with \$4.1 billion in assets distributed among the following five operating segments: Utility, Pipeline and Storage, Exploration and Production, Energy Marketing, and Timber. Additional information about National Fuel is available on its Internet Web site: <http://investor.nationalfuelgas.com> or through its investor information service at 1-800-334-2188.