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CNX Resources Recognized as 2018 Operator of the Year

Awards for Excellence in the Natural Gas Industry Presented at Annual Virginia Oil and Gas Association Banquet

Abingdon, Va.- CNX Resources was recognized as **Operator of the Year** and other outstanding achievements by members of the gas and oil industry in Virginia were awarded by the Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy at the Virginia Oil and Gas Association's fall meeting, in Abingdon.

CNX Resources received the award for demonstrating leadership in the Commonwealth's energy industry. The company used innovation and developed strategic partnerships to improve the industry for all operators. New ideas improved many stages of natural gas production from constructing well sites to moving gas to the point of sale.

"Public safety and environmental protection are the top priorities for our agency," said Director of Gas and Oil Rick Cooper. "CNX Resources continuously demonstrates a work ethic in which they share those priorities. They are in constant communication with our staff to ensure the best sites and are deserving of this honor."

Several other awards were presented:

Partnership: Virginia Natural Gas, Tidewater Community College and Virginia Gas Operators Association.

Training and developing highly skilled workers ready to assume roles in construction and other areas is critical as the natural gas industry prepares for a new generation of workers. In 2017, Virginia Natural Gas, a Virginia Values Veterans program certified company, launched a new workforce development initiative geared toward training veterans to transition into the natural gas industry. Virginia Natural Gas partnered with Tidewater Community College (TCC) and the Virginia Gas Operators Association to offer former and transitioning military service members a weeklong training program at TCC's Virginia Beach campus.

Outstanding Public Relations: Beth Stockner

Beth Stockner is an award winning public relations specialist with years of experience in the Virginia Oil and Gas Industry. As the media spokesperson and marketing consultant for the Virginia Oil and Gas Association, she contributed to the positive visibility and education of the public about the oil and gas industry in Virginia

Development/Innovation: CNX Resources and Dickson Process Systems, LLC

In 2017, CNX Resources partnered with Dickson Process Systems to design, install and operate a pipeline system and natural gas processing facility in Buchanan County as part of the Cardinal States Redirection Project. This natural gas processing facility is one of the largest of its kind, in not only North America, but in the entire world.

Development/Innovation: CNX Resources

In 2017, CNX Resources explored the development of an eight-gangfracturing ball and baffle system. This system has significantly improved both production and cost with regard to increased stage density. The first prototypes were developed and were placed in back-to-back wells where multiple test scenarios occurred, ultimately producing extremely favorable results. This breakthrough has significantly changed not only stimulation design but also reduced capital spending.

Partnership in Power Conservation: CNX Resources and EnerNOC

In 2017, CNX Resources Corporation partnered with EnerNOC to better understand and manage CNX's electrical expenses. EnerNoc had different methods to assist in lowering electrical expenditures. Through this process, all parties could see real-time power usage and make more accurate decisions based on the information. CNX saw a nearly 10% reduction in usage due to this partnership.

Partnership in Gathering System Efficiency: CNX Resources and Dearing Compressor and Pump Company

Working together, the two companies were able to improve the overall operating strategy and gathering efficiency to CNX's Operating system. CNX Resources complimented Dearing's continued efforts to provide quality equipment at competitive prices. The results of this specific project were a major mechanical revision of the existing equipment in the gathering system.

Excellence in Health, Safety and Environment: EnerVest Operating

EnerVest's Virginia operations have an exemplary Health, Safety and Environmental Program. While they meet the minimum requirements every day—often, they raise the bar for worker safety and environmental compliance. In 2016 and 2017, EnerVest did not tally a single lost time accident or an OSHA recordable injury. EnerVest's Virginia operations boast a below benchmark preventable vehicle accident rate and a reportable spill rate well below industry standards.

Excellence in Health, Safety and Environment: Virginia Natural Gas

Virginia Natural Gas strives to ensure that their charitable giving and community involvement reflects their desire to protect and preserve the environment. In 2017, VNG developed a partnership with The Nature Conservancy to support their efforts to restore the longleaf pine back to its former prominence in Southeastern Virginia. Because of this program, the City of Virginia Beach plans to include longleaf pines in their future planting strategy and discussions are being held about future project opportunities with Virginia Natural Gas.

Service Provider of the Year: Cajun Well Service

In 1998, Cajun Well Service first began work in the coalbed methane field for CNX. Today, President Tim Branton continues to provide tremendous insight to well production in Virginia. In addition to Cajun's operational excellence, they also embody the true culture of safety. They place a critical emphasis on every employee returning home in better condition than at the start of their shift. Over the last 20 years of service, Cajun Well Service has not experienced a lost time incident.

Service Provider of the Year: KLX Energy Services

The foundation of a successful business can be boiled down to a team of knowledgeable, caring workers and a drive to see projects through to completion. For the past decade, the team of KLX Energy Services has checked both of those boxes and many more ensuring the success of well completions throughout the gas field of Virginia. Their team is said to be supportive and positive. Whether logging a well or perforating, the task is handled skillfully and safely.

Community Outreach: EnerVest Operating

As part of EnerVest's efforts to support and work within the community, they donate money and employee's time to local charities, schools, clubs, events and churches. EnerVest began a community outreach initiative within the company by giving each employee 16 hours per calendar year to use for volunteering within their communities however they see fit. Employees of EnerVest Operating, LLC donated more than 265 hours in 2017 to the communities of Southwest Virginia. From April 2017 through April 2018 EnerVest donated a total of 22-thousand 225 dollars to the local communities in their operating area

Community Outreach: CNX Resources

On June 2, 2017 CNX Resources signed an agreement with Spearhead Trails. The agreement was to assist Buchanan County in a community outreach project to grow the trail system—a crucial part of the county's tourism. CNX Resources allowed for an additional 11 acres of their land, to be used recreationally by ATV, UTV, Cyclists, Hikers and Horseback riders

Individual Excellence in Safety and Environmental Quality: Ronnie Keen

With over 45 years experience in the gas and oil industry, Ronnie Keen has certainly proved himself in safe work and environmental awareness with each job he's fulfilled. Currently, Mr. Keen is a Construction Supervisor for Delrick Corporation and manages a workforce of 20-30 people daily. Ronnie is responsible for the safety of his employees while complying with all state and federal regulations. Due to the mountainous terrain in southwest Virginia, the construction and wellsite development can be difficult. Throughout his career, Mr. Keen has strived to communicate with industry and regulatory agencies to assure goals and objectives are met.

Individual Excellence in Safety and Environmental Quality: Mike Doyle

Over 25 years ago, Mike Doyle began a career in the Gas and Oil Industry as a well tender. After working for Virginia Gas and Equitable Resources —Mr. Doyle currently holds the role of Supervisor at EnerVest Operating LLC. Mr. Doyle has had no loss time injuries. His crews have worked more than 10 years with no loss time injuries. This is an outstanding effort due to conditions and locations where his activities occur.

Outstanding Public Service: Bill Harris

A member since 1992—Bill Harris is the longest serving Virginia Gas and Oil Board representative to date. Mr. Harris' leadership assisted in the development of the Nora field, Roaring Fork Field, Oakwood 1, Oakwood 2 Field and Middle Ridge Fields. His guidance promoted the development of the industry, protected correlative rights and monitored pooling interests. Mr. Harris is a Public member, which is a non-paid position, appointed by the Governor. He is always conscience of the public and their participation in the hearings. The expansion and current guidelines that the gas industry operates under today were possible thanks, in part, to Mr. Harris.

Local Distribution Company of the Year: Virginia Natural Gas

Serving the southeastern Virginia region for more than 160 years, Virginia Natural Gas (VNG) has become one of the largest local distribution companies. The company serves more than 300,000 residential, commercial and industrial customers. Through their innovative projects, strategic partnerships and public awareness programs, VNG continues to distinguish themselves as an industry leader strongly dedicated to environmental stewardship, committed to providing outstanding customer service and operating the safest and most reliable natural gas distribution system in the state.

Excellence in Education Outreach: Greg Kozera

Greg Kozera has over 40 years experience in the industry, has written three books on hydraulic fracturing and serves as Chair of the Public Relations committee with VOGA. Throughout the years, Mr. Kozera delivered several speeches for professionals in the industry and wrote motivational columns for various trade publications within the energy sector.

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