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T. Boone Pickens Statement on AT&T's Decision to Upgrade 8,000 Fleet Vehicles to Run on Natural Gas in the Next Five Years

Dallas, TX, March 11, 2009 – T. Boone Pickens offered the following statement today supporting AT&T's decision to upgrade 8,000 of its fleet vehicles to run on natural gas over the next five years:

“I have long believed that reducing our dependence on foreign oil and securing America's energy future requires more than action in Washington, but strong leadership from the private sector. AT&T's decision today to upgrade 8,000 of its fleet vehicles to run on natural gas is a demonstration of real American corporate leadership that will be good for their bottom line, the environment and the country. AT&T recognizes that our reliance on foreign oil is one of the greatest threats to our national security—hopefully others will follow their lead.

“One of America's largest companies has studied the issue and is making a change. This action should send a strong signal to other companies and to our leaders in Washington that not only is switching to natural gas vehicles the right thing to do, it is the smart thing to do. Smart American companies can be green and profitable and they don't have to trade one for the other. AT&T is to be commended for its efforts and the example they are setting for the rest of the country.

“With Congress considering energy legislation in the coming days and months, I am continuing my call to implement a real national energy policy that will reduce our dependence on foreign oil through natural gas in our transportation system and rebuild our energy grid to tap into renewable sources of energy like wind and solar. This effort will create jobs, will make the nation's economy stronger, will clean up the environment and will make us a better, safer and more independent nation.”

About the Pickens Plan

Unveiled on July 8, 2008 by T. Boone Pickens, the Pickens Plan is a detailed solution for ending the United States' growing dependence on foreign oil. Earlier this year, when oil prices reached \$140/barrel, America was spending about \$700 billion for foreign oil, equaling the greatest transfer of wealth in human history. That figure has decreased some while oil prices have retreated, but the U.S. is still dependent on foreign nations for nearly 70 percent of its oil, representing a continuing national economic and national security threat. The plan calls for investing in power generation from domestic renewable resources such as wind and using our abundant supplies of natural gas as a transportation fuel, replacing more than one-third of our imported oil.

More than 1,500,000 people have joined the Pickens Army through the website www.pickensplan.com, which has had over 14,000,000 hits. For more information on the Pickens Plan please visit our website.

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