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CITGO TO PROVIDE FUEL ASSISTANCE TO TRIBE

Applications Currently Available

AKWESASNE TERRITORY – The long-awaited fuel assistance program in partnership with the CITGO Petroleum Corporation will once again be a reality for the Mohawk Tribe. CITGO's partnership with Citizens Programs Corporation recently confirmed that they will be providing \$1,081,000 of financial support for the Akwesasne Community for home heating.

The funds are to be used to arrange for the purchase and delivery of fuel oil to individual households of community members. Based on the dollar amount allocated by CITGO, this will work out to approximately \$250 per household. "This goes to show that being patient can be the best thing," said Tribal Chief Barbara Lazore. "Of course, we are happy that CITGO has once again been generous to this community and many others."

"The heating season is still here and this is a welcome boost to community members," observed Tribal Chief James Ransom. "One-hundred gallons should go a long way, especially since the weather has gotten milder. We are thankful for this support."

In order to be eligible for the fuel assistance programs, individuals must purchase the fuel through a tribally-licensed dealer which will be listed on the applications and provide an actual physical home address of where the fuel is to be delivered.

Tribal Chief Monica Jacobs noted, "CITGO deserves recognition for helping community members make it through the early spring. The recent weather predictions of snow show that people still need to heat their homes. And we really appreciate their generosity."

Applications for the program will be distributed through the tribal Compliance Office and made available at the Community Tribal Building beginning on Monday, April 6, 2009 through Friday, May 1, 2009. Applications will also be available at the Senior's Center from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM on April 9, 14 and 16, 2009.

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The St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council is the duly elected and federally recognized government of the St. Regis Mohawk People.

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