



## Southwest Gas<sup>™</sup> HOLDINGS

### James P. Kane Appointed As President And CEO Of NPL Construction Co.

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LAS VEGAS, July 12, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Southwest Gas Corporation (NYSE: SWX) today announced that it has appointed James P. Kane as President and Chief Executive Officer of NPL Construction Co., Southwest's wholly owned pipeline construction subsidiary. In connection with his new appointment, Mr. Kane relinquished his position as President of Southwest Gas Corporation and its utility operations. Southwest's current Chief Executive Officer Jeffrey W. Shaw has assumed Mr. Kane's duties at Southwest.

"Jim Kane's leadership has helped propel Southwest and his presence will be missed at the parent company, but Jim is clearly the executive best suited to bolster and transition the NPL management team," said Jeffrey W. Shaw, Chief Executive Officer of Southwest and Chairman of NPL's Board of Directors. Shaw concluded by stating, "Jim Kane comes to NPL following an extraordinary period of growth that has seen NPL nearly double in size over recent years. He will be charged with making structural and transitional changes to match the increased size of the business. We're very fortunate to have Jim, with his impressive 40-year track record in the industry, guide NPL forward. Jim's demonstrated leadership abilities position NPL to meet its long-term strategic objectives."

#### **About Southwest Gas**

Southwest Gas Corporation provides natural gas service to approximately 1.9 million customers in Arizona, Nevada, and California. For more information about Southwest Gas, please visit [www.swgas.com](http://www.swgas.com).

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