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STAR GAS COMMENTS ON TRADING ACTIVITY IN SENIOR SUBORDINATED UNITS

STAMFORD, CT (February 21, 2002) -- Star Gas Partners, L.P. (NYSE: SGU, SGH), a diversified home energy distributor and services provider specializing in heating oil, propane, natural gas and electricity, today announced that the Partnership is not aware of any developments that would account for today's unusual price activity in its Senior Subordinated Units (NYSE:SGH).

Star Gas Partners, L.P., is a leading distributor of home heating oil, propane and deregulated natural gas and electricity. Star is the nation's largest retail distributor of home heating oil and the nation's eighth largest retail propane distributor. Star owns a 80.0% controlling interest in Total Gas & Electric, which sells natural gas and electricity in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic.

This news announcement contains certain forward-looking information that is subject to certain risks and uncertainties as indicated from time to time in the Partnership's 10-K, 10-Q, 8-K and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Included risks and uncertainties are the effects of the weather on the Partnership's financial results, competitive and propane and heating oil pricing pressures and other factors impacting the propane, home heating oil, natural gas and electricity distribution industries.