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STAR GAS PARTNERS, L.P.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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STAR GAS PARTNERS, L.P.

**THIS PROXY IS SOLICITED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF OUR GENERAL PARTNER**

The undersigned, whose signature appears on the reverse, hereby appoints William P. Nicoletti, Joseph P. Cavanaugh and Richard F. Ambury and each of them, proxies with full power of substitution for and in the name of the undersigned to vote all the common units, senior subordinated units and junior subordinated units of Star Gas Partners, L.P. ("Star Gas Partners") which the undersigned would be entitled to vote if personally present at the Special Meeting to be held on March 24, 2006, and at any and all adjournments or postponements thereof, on all matters that may properly come before the meeting.

P Your units will be voted as directed on this card. If this card is signed and no direction is given for any proposal, it will be voted in favor of the
R proposal.

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(Continued, and to be marked, signed and dated on reverse side)

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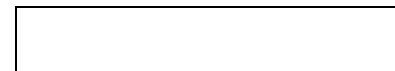
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Please mark votes as in this example.

The Board of Directors of Star Gas LLC ("Star Gas"), our general partner, unanimously recommends a vote FOR the following proposals:

Proposal 1. Approval of the issuance of: 7,500,000 new common units at a purchase price of \$2.00 per unit (which amount shall be increased to \$2.25 per unit if the Contingent Amendment becomes effective) to Kestrel Heat, LLC ("Kestrel Heat") and KM2, LLC, wholly owned subsidiaries of Kestrel Energy Partners, LLC, pursuant to the unit purchase agreement dated as of December 5, 2005; 17,500,000 new common units in an offering of non-transferable rights to our common unitholders at an exercise price of \$2.00 per unit (which amount shall be increased to \$2.25 per unit if the Contingent Amendment becomes effective); 13,433,962 (subject to adjustment based on rounding) new common units upon the conversion by certain holders of Star Gas Partners' 10.25% senior notes due 2013 of approximately \$26.9 million in principal amount of senior notes at a conversion price of \$2.00 per unit; and 3,737,346 new common units upon the conversion of each outstanding senior subordinated unit and each outstanding junior subordinated unit into one common unit pursuant to the second amended and restated agreement of limited partnership; and approval of such amendments to the foregoing terms and agreements as may be amended from time to time in the discretion of the Board of Directors of Star Gas to the extent that the Board determines that such amendments are in the best interests of Star Gas Partners and its unitholders.

FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

Proposal 2. Approval of the election of Kestrel Heat as successor general partner upon the withdrawal of Star Gas.

FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

Proposal 3. The adoption of a second amended and restated agreement of limited partnership of Star Gas Partners, that will, among other matters, reflect the election of Kestrel Heat as successor general partner upon the withdrawal of Star Gas and revise the terms and distributions of our partnership securities as described in the proxy statement, including the conversion of each outstanding senior subordinated unit and junior subordinated unit into one common unit.

FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

The named proxies are authorized to vote in their discretion on such other matters as may properly come before the special meeting or any adjournment or postponement thereof, including a proposal to adjourn the meeting for the purpose of continuing the solicitation of proxies.

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(This Proxy provides unitholders with the opportunity to vote on each of the three proposals to effect the recapitalization separately. However, none of the proposals will be implemented unless all three proposals are approved by unitholders.)

Date _____, 2006

(Signature)

(Signature)

NOTE: Your signature should conform with your name as printed above. Please sign exactly as your name appears hereon. Joint owners should each sign. When signing as attorney, executor, administrator, trustee or guardian, please give full title as such.