



## **Airgas Partners with MacEwen Petroleum, Inc. to Distribute AiRx™ Diesel Exhaust Fluid in Canada**

### **AiRx Helps to Reduce Harmful Diesel Exhaust Pollutants**

**RADNOR, PA - July 11, 2011** - Airgas, Inc. (NYSE: ARG) today announced it is partnering with MacEwen Petroleum, Inc., Maxville, Ontario, to distribute Airgas AiRx™ Diesel Exhaust Fluid (DEF) in Canada. MacEwen has over 35 years of experience as a leading supplier of petroleum products to a variety of customers, including retail, wholesale, commercial and residential markets. Through their C-store Brand, they are also a leading convenience store operator. Airgas AiRx DEF is certified by the American Petroleum Institute (API) and is used in diesel engines with Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) technology to reduce harmful diesel exhaust pollutants and comply with EPA clean air regulations.

"We are confident that with Airgas as our dedicated supplier, MacEwen can grow to become the leading distributor of DEF in Canada," said Allan MacEwen, President of MacEwen Petroleum, Inc. "Their reliability of supply and vast distribution network makes Airgas an excellent partner."

"MacEwen has a long track record of success and, together, we can effectively and efficiently serve the Canadian market," said Jeff Lewis, Business Manager for Airgas Specialty Products, the Airgas company that markets AiRx. "Our companies share a commitment to growing this business and we look forward to this new partnership."

Available in a variety of package sizes ranging from one-gallon containers to bulk trailers, Airgas AiRx is supplied to truck stops, fuel retailers, private fleets, and lubricant/fuel distributors nationwide.

With more than 5,000 vehicles, Airgas maintains one of the largest private truck fleets in the country and uses Airgas AiRx Diesel Exhaust Fluid in all of its trucks with SCR technology.

#### **About MacEwen Petroleum, Inc.**

MacEwen Petroleum Inc. is a Canadian owned and operated fuel provider that has been building and sustaining relationships for over 30 years in Ontario and Quebec. Today, MacEwen proudly retains its heritage and identity as a family business and is recognized as one of Canada's leading independent petroleum products companies. MacEwen operates in Retail, Home Comfort, Wholesale and Commercial markets and serves the communities of Ontario and Western Quebec.

#### **About Airgas, Inc.**

Airgas, Inc. (NYSE: ARG), through its subsidiaries, is the largest U.S. distributor of industrial, medical, and specialty gases, and hardgoods, such as welding equipment and supplies. Airgas is also one of the largest U.S. distributors of safety products, the largest U.S. producer of nitrous oxide and dry ice, the largest liquid carbon dioxide producer in the Southeast, and a leading distributor of process chemicals, refrigerants, and ammonia products. More than 14,000 employees work in approximately 1,100 locations, including branches, retail stores, gas fill plants, specialty gas labs, production facilities and distribution centers. Airgas also distributes its products and services through eBusiness, catalog and telesales channels. Its national scale and strong local presence offer a competitive edge to its diversified customer base. For more information, please visit [www.airgas.com](http://www.airgas.com).

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