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NEW MEXICO GAS COMPANY PARTNERS WITH CNM DONATION WILL HELP STUDENTS LEARN LARGE PIPE WELDING

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. – New Mexico Gas Company is partnering with Central New Mexico Community College to donate pipe to the college's Welding program.

This ongoing donation of pipe will save CNM more than \$60,000 in pipe cost for the school's highly regarded Welding program.

"We're excited to partner with CNM and recycle our scrap pipe. We are always looking for innovative ways to support our community and CNM presented this opportunity to pick up our materials, which will in turn help their students," said Ryan Shell, President of NMGC. "It truly is a win-win for both parties."

The donated pipe comes from NMGC's Operations Department, which has scrap pipes ranging from 2-inches to 24-inches in diameter. The donations can continue as long as materials are available.

"Before this partnership, we had been purchasing all of the pipe for our advanced students to train on," said Kristen Benedict, Dean for CNM's School of Applied Technologies, where the Welding program operates. "Having New Mexico Gas Company donate materials is extremely helpful to our program, our students and our community. This will save CNM money while giving our students a valuable opportunity to practice on pipe that is considered an industry standard. This is about creating a much-needed skilled workforce for our local economy. CNM is very grateful for this partnership with New Mexico Gas Company."

NEWS ADVISORY: CNM will pick up the first donation on Jan. 22.

WHO: Representatives from CNM and NMGC
WHAT: Donation pickup
WHEN: Jan. 22, 2019 at 10 a.m.
WHERE: New Mexico Gas Company Service Center, 4625 Edith Blvd. NE, Albuquerque.

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