

**(Madison, June 9, 2015)** - Leonardo Academy announced this week that the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development ACE Program has awarded two grants that Leonardo Academy submitted on behalf of GAIN Clean Fuel. The grant awards which total approximately \$1.2 million, will support GAIN Clean Fuel 's construction of compressed natural gas (CNG) fueling stations in Fairless Hills, PA and Fredericksburg, PA. Both stations will be open to the public and are located near major Interstate highways.

Key partners in these grant proposals are the anchor customers for the two sites: Silvi Concrete is partnering with GAIN to build the CNG station in Fairless Hills and W.C. McQuaide, Inc. is partnering with GAIN to add CNG dispensers at a Pacific Pride station in Fredericksburg.

Leonardo Academy is working with GAIN Clean Fuel, a brand of U.S. Oil, to procure funding in multiple states in order to promote the use of CNG nationwide. The use of CNG, a much cleaner-burning fuel than conventional gasoline or diesel fuel, greatly reduces the output of particulate matter, nitrogen oxides, and carbon dioxide (the most prevalent greenhouse gas) from vehicular use. Converting America's diesel trucking fleet is a critical component of reducing these emissions due to the number of diesel-fueled trucks on America's highways. Before fleets will convert to using CNG, however, stations—such as those being built in Pennsylvania—must be available to meet fleets' refueling needs as they transport goods across the country.

Leonardo Academy's president Michael Arny stated, "Leonardo Academy is proud to assist GAIN Clean Fuel in its efforts to make CNG readily available and thus to improve our air quality and slow global warming. Securing grant funding for clean fueling stations is a key part of our efforts to achieve the sustainable transportation of people and goods throughout the country."

Arny also stated, "Leonardo Academy congratulates all the organizations that are making these two new stations possible: GAIN Clean Fuel, Silvi Concrete, and W.C. McQuaide, Inc., as well as the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development ACE Grant Program."

#### About GAIN

GAIN is the brand name for Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) Clean Fueling stations developed by U.S. Oil, located in Appleton, Wisconsin. Introduced in 2011, GAIN CNG is quickly becoming one of the most sought after fuel alternatives, especially for American manufacturing companies

with large transportation needs.

U.S Oil currently has 38 GAIN® Clean Fuel stations open or under construction across the country. GAIN is planning to construct more than 100 new sites nationwide over the next three years. The rapidly expanding national network of compressed natural gas stations offers regional and national carriers an environmentally-friendly, lower cost fueling option for fleets. For more information about GAIN® Clean Fuel, visit [www.gainfuel.com](http://www.gainfuel.com) .

#### About Silvi Concrete

Silvi Concrete is a division of The Silvi Group, which has been helping companies, contractors, and homeowners build a better future since 1947. Proudly serving New Jersey and Southeastern Pennsylvania, we provide a wide variety of vertically integrated products and services, including ready mix concrete, sand, stone, cement supplies, port facilities, and real estate options for construction industry businesses.

For more information about Silvi Concrete, visit [www.silvi.com](http://www.silvi.com) .

#### About W.C. McQuaide Inc.

W.C. McQuaide Inc. was founded in 1936 by William C. McQuaide in Apollo, PA. The company moved its offices to Johnstown, PA in 1951 and was incorporated in 1957. From its roots as a flatbed steel carrier, McQuaide has evolved into a full service logistics provider with van, TL and flatbed service as well as other logistic services including warehousing, dedicated service, expedited service, storage trailer rental, truck and auto repair, air charter, pipeline contractor services and computer services.

For more information on W.C. McQuaide Inc., visit [www.mcquaide.com](http://www.mcquaide.com) .

#### About Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development ACE Grant Program

The Alternative and Clean Energy Program (ACE) provides financial assistance in the form of grant and loan funds to be used by eligible applicants for the utilization, development and construction of alternative and clean energy projects in the state. The program is administered jointly by the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), under the direction of the Commonwealth Financing Authority (CFA).

For more information on the ACE Grant program, visit <http://www.newpa.com/find-and-apply-for-funding/funding-and-program-finder/alternative-and-clean-energy-program-ace>