

December 16, 2004

Per the terms of General Chemical's Natural Gas Energy Adjustment Program, below is the three month forward average of the NYMEX Henry Hub natural gas index as of the close of business on December 15, 2004.

	<u>\$/MM BTU</u>
January	7.236
February	7.370
March	7.297
Average	7.301

Therefore, General Chemical's natural gas energy adjustment surcharge for soda ash purchases made during the first quarter of calendar year 2005 is \$4.50/NT.

The quarterly energy surcharge adjustment for all future quarters will be posted on our website, www.gogenchem.com.

Thank you for you valued business. Please contact your local General Chemical sales representative should you have any questions.

Regards,

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