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**PLANTATION PIPE LINE AND CENTRAL FLORIDA
PIPELINE ANNOUNCE CHANGE IN ULTRA-LOW-SULFUR
DIESEL (ULSD) SPECIFICATION**

HOUSTON, Dec. 13, 2006 – Plantation Pipe Line Company and Central Florida Pipeline Company, both subsidiaries of Kinder Morgan Energy Partners (NYSE: KMP), announced today that they will raise the sulfur specification for ultra-low-sulfur diesel (ULSD) at their pipeline points of origin from 8 parts per million to 10 parts per million effective Jan. 1, 2007 (pipeline cycle #1). The increase was made possible by changes in operating procedures and infrastructure and is expected to immediately benefit our customers.

Additionally, Plantation is evaluating the possibility of allowing the transportation of a biodiesel blend (B2 to B20) along the mainline system from Baton Rouge, La., to Greensboro, N.C. The companies believe this service may be feasible because Plantation can utilize separate pipeline systems to segregate blended biodiesel from products sensitive to contaminants (such as aviation turbine fuel and military JP-8). Parties interested in exploring this opportunity may contact Mark Evans, director of business development, at (713) 369-9393 for further information.

Kinder Morgan Energy Partners, L.P. is one of the largest publicly traded pipeline limited partnerships in America and owns or operates more than 27,000 miles of pipelines and approximately 145 terminals. Its pipelines transport more than 2 million barrels/day of gasoline and other petroleum products and up to 9 billion cubic feet/day of natural gas; and, its terminals handle over 80 million tons of coal and other bulk materials annually and have a liquids storage capacity of about 70 million barrels for petroleum products and chemicals. KMP is also the leading provider of CO₂ for enhanced oil recovery projects in the United States.

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The general partner KMP is owned by Kinder Morgan Inc. (NYSE: KMI), one of the largest energy transportation, storage and distribution companies in North America. Combined the two companies have an enterprise value of more than 35 billion.

This news release includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Although Kinder Morgan believes that its expectations are based on reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that such assumptions will materialize. Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements herein are enumerated in Kinder Morgan's Form 10-K and 10-Q as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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