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**Shute Oil & Propane to Merge with
Energy Distribution Partners**

Shute Oil & Propane, a provider of propane, heating oil, gas and diesel fuel to customers in Michigan's Upper Peninsula, has announced plans to merge with Chicago, Illinois-based Energy Distribution Partners ("EDP"). Shute Oil & Propane is headquartered in Rudyard, Michigan.

Tom Knauff, Energy Distribution Partners CEO, stated, "We are extremely pleased to have Shute Oil & Propane merge with EDP. Owner Dave Shute has taken extremely good care of both his employees and his customers over the years and we are committed to ensuring that they will remain well-cared for."



"I am very pleased about our merger with EDP," said Dave Shute, President of Shute Oil & Propane. "I am confident that both our employees and our customers will be treated well as EDP and our Shute team, together, continue to serve the propane, fuel oil, diesel and gasoline needs of the Eastern U.P."

Shute Oil & Propane was founded by Dave Shute's parents in 1966 and was purchased by Dave in 1983. The company serves nearly 2,300 customers across Michigan's Eastern Upper Peninsula and has nine full-time employees.

Energy Distribution Partners is focused on growing its business in the propane and midstream industry. EDP's strategy is to acquire successful operations, retain the brand name, preserve local management and delegate to those in the local community. This is the ninth transaction for EDP in the past four years.

About Energy Distribution Partners

Energy Distribution Partners is a rapidly-growing company in America's fast-changing energy landscape – with deep experience in retail and commercial propane sales, operations and finance. The company provides safe, reliable propane service to residential and commercial customers in California, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania and New York. EDP is actively seeking partners for growth. For more information, please visit www.edplp.net.

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