Oil to Gas Conversions

RSA Seminar

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Agenda

- Key Growth Drivers
- Asset Optimization
- Working with Stakeholders
- Next Steps



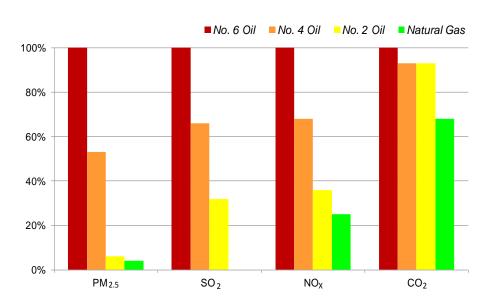
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Benefits of Converting to Natural Gas

Environmental

- Natural gas is a much cleaner fuel than oil
- Reduces emissions, smog, acid rain, and greenhouse gases
- Save Energy and Money
 - Lower supply costs Natural gas is currently cheaper than oil
 - Reduced maintenance costs -Hidden costs associated with oil (e.g. pumps, motors, filters, permits)
 - Cash flow benefits "Pay as you go", billed after gas consumption



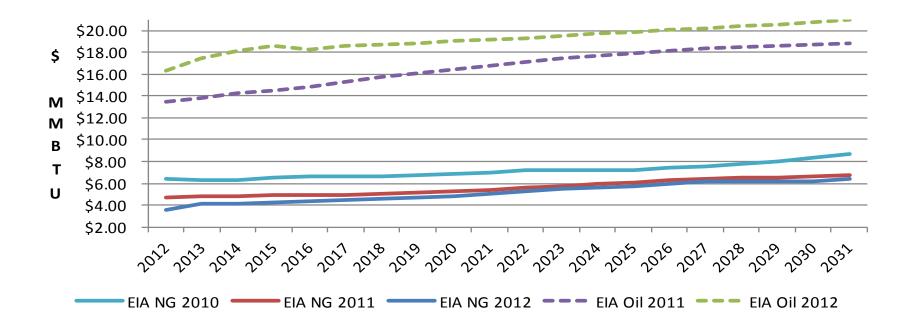
Emissions Profile of Natural Gas Compared to Heating Oil

Source: Environmental Defense Fund



Key Driver for Gas Growth Commodity Prices

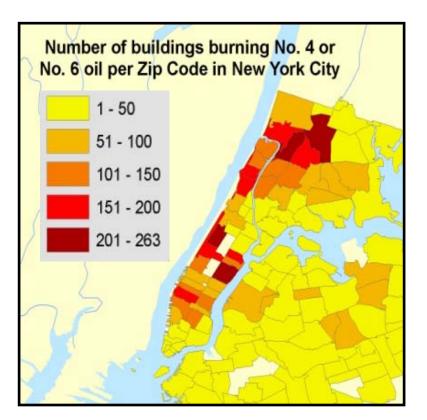
Change in Long Term Fuel Commodity Price Forecasts, Crude Oil vs. Henry Hub Natural Gas (\$ 2010)



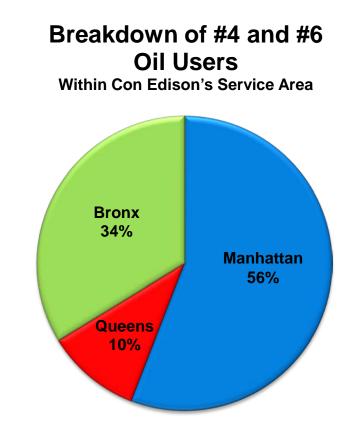


Background Oil to Gas Conversions

• About 7,000 potential #4/#6 oil to gas conversions in Con Edison's service area









Key Objectives

- Align a flexible and scalable growth strategy with corporate objectives to minimize impact on current firm customers.
- Be seen as easy to do business with by providing clear and consistent information, and efficient customer-focused processes.
- Maintain a safe and reliable system.
- Build efficiently and optimize existing gas infrastructure assets, while minimizing cost of construction.
- Engage and coordinate with key stakeholders by addressing and responding appropriately to their needs.







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Con Edison provides gas to customers in Manhattan, the Bronx, and parts of Queens and Westchester County (view map). TRANSLATE THIS PAGE

Call 1-800-643-1289 to learn more.

Estimate Your Savings



Linda saved more than \$9,000.



"This is a much easier way to go."

 Linda Goldberg, property owner, Manhattan



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Asset Optimization Initiatives

- Utilize existing infrastructure where possible
- Insert existing mains or use trenchless technology to reduce trenching costs
- Establish an end-state design for each major area of load growth
- Review opportunities for design changes with industry experts
- Investigate demand-side solutions
- Establish design for smaller size regulator stations

Experience:

Con Edison has offered \$0 capital connection costs to about 80% of those who have requested.



Regulator Station Update

- Regulators increase capacity in a given area's distribution system
- Provides more customers an opportunity to access gas capacity at a low/no cost
- Reduces need for costly and disruptive street trenching and other work
- Accelerated construction schedule to install all nine (9) 2012 & 2013 regulators in 2012
 - Locations identified in Manhattan (6) and the Bronx (3)
 - Implement utilization of a small regulator design
- Additional regulator stations are planned for 2013 installation
- "Clustering" is another way Con Edison can help reduce, and possibly eliminate, the capital construction costs for customers converting to natural gas
 - Requirements include all customers in the cluster converting to firm gas, with each building using the one Con Edison preferred point of entry for total gas load
 - (e.g. West 79th Street, CPW and East End Avenue)



Cost Mitigation Strategy Area Growth Approach

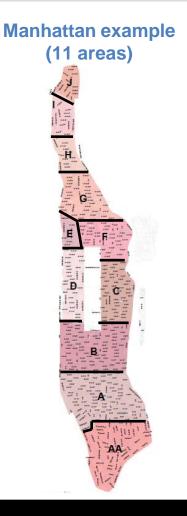
Our area approach overcomes significant challenges of traditional infrastructure expansion

Traditional

- Revenues and costs of each customer are analyzed independently
- Construction is scheduled individually
- We connect customers on an individual basis

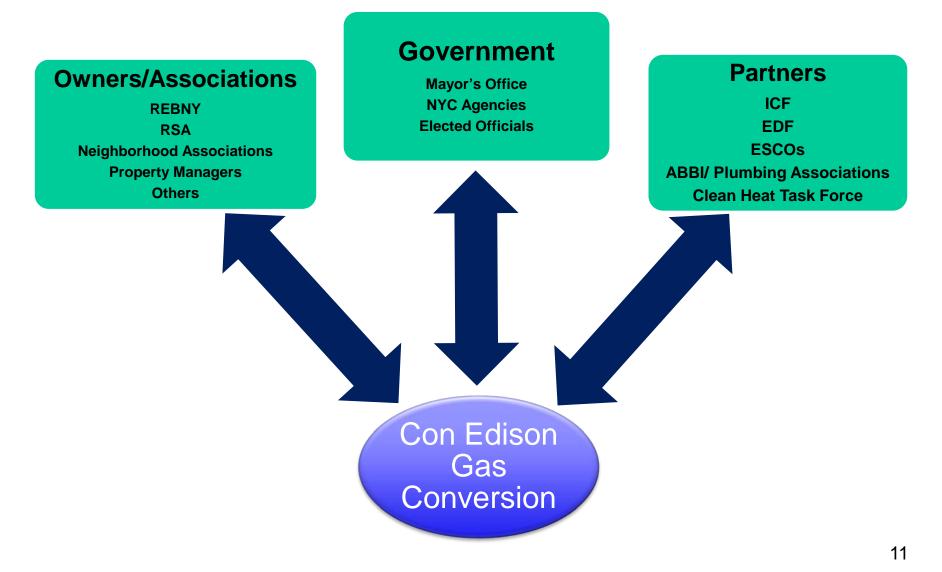
Area approach

- Revenues and costs are analyzed by area as a whole
- We connect customers work by area
- Construction is scheduled by area





Stakeholder Involvement





Con Edison's Next Steps

- Establish Stricter Guidelines for Customer Commitments
- Continue Regulator and Asset Installation
- Explore tariff/regulator changes to support Gas Growth Strategy
- Provide updates on <u>www.conEd.com/gasconversions</u>
- Continue outreach with customers and other stakeholders
- Incorporate actual results/lessons learned from marketplace



Requirements for a Customer Decision

Two fundamental components:

- Capital costs up to the property line
 - Con Edison's tariff will offset 0% up to 100% of these costs
 - Depends on proximity to existing capacity, infrastructure, potential revenues
 - Firm rate or interruptible rate
- Internal Conversion Costs
 - Customer will pay for 100% of these costs
 - e.g., internal gas piping, chimney liner costs, equipment costs (boiler, booster, etc))



Customer's Next Steps

- Obtain building-specific internal conversion costs
- Understand the potential energy savings of switching to gas
- Obtain info on alternative fuel options (#2 oil, #4 oil, steam (where applicable))
- If Natural gas is most viable, cost-effective option:
 - Submit gas service request electronically to Con Edison via Project Center (<u>www.coned.com/es</u>)



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