# NATURAL GAS IN A LOW-CARBON FUTURE

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### **NW NATURAL**

- Nearly 160 years of service
- Largest stand-alone local distribution company in the Pacific Northwest
- Serving two million people in Oregon and SW Washington
- One of the tightest, most modern distribution systems in the country



## **EVOLVING WITH THE TIMES**



Manufactured gas for lighting and heat (1860s)



Network expands with arrival of Northwest pipeline (1950s)

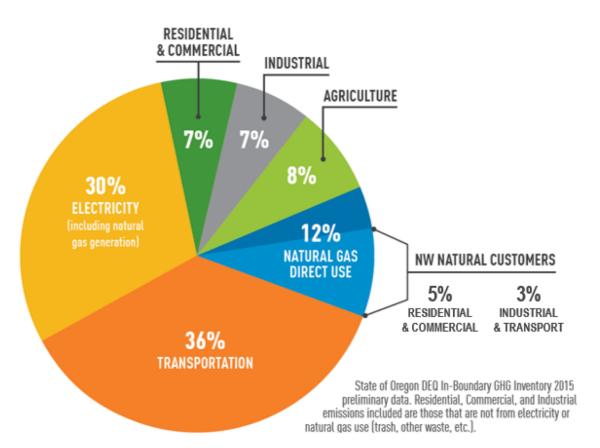


Modernized system, decoupled rates, energy efficiency (2000s)



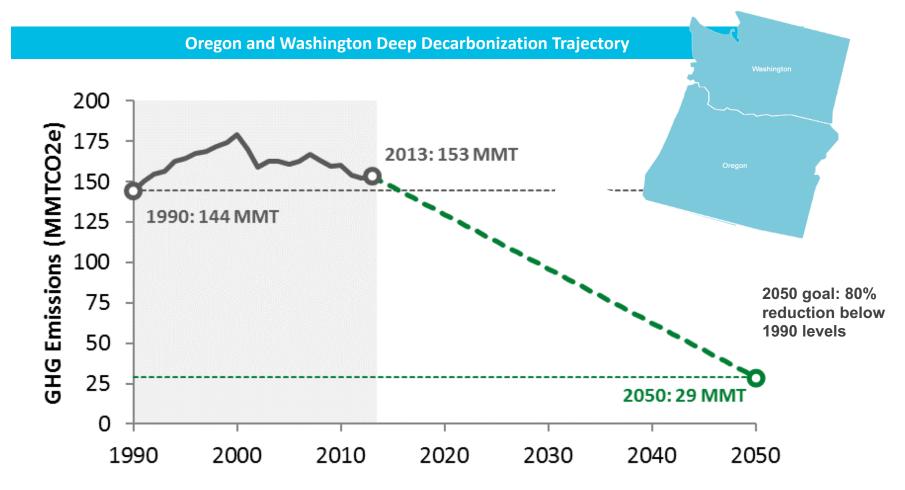
Growth in carbon offset program, interest in RNG (2010s)

## **OUR SYSTEM TODAY**



- Major energy asset
- Modern, efficient system
- Crucial for peak demand
- Modest emissions profile
- Lower carbon potential

### E3 DEEP DECARBONIZATION STUDY





# Significant Mitigation Efforts Are Required Across All Sectors in All Scenarios







- √ Whole-home retrofits & new construction codes
- ✓ Electric heat pumps displacing resistance heat



#### **Electrification**

- Electrification of industry OR buildings
- Electrification of passenger vehicles
- Electrification of trucks and freight transportation





#### Low-Carbon Fuels

- ✓ Low-carbon electricity
- ✓ Low-carbon biofuels
- Potentially renewably produced hydrogen



#### Reduce noncombustion GHGs

- ✓ Methane reductions
- Replacement of high global warming potential gases
- Industry process emissions reductions

### FROM WASTE TO RENEWABLES

### Portland Wastewater Treatment Plant RNG Project









- City's single largest climate action project
- 100% methane recovery
- 21,000 tons CO<sub>2</sub> saved annually
- Displaces diesel fuel in heavy-duty trucks
- Three-year payback

### LEARN MORE

### **Deep Decarbonization Breakfast Briefing**

Portland, OR

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