Natural Gas Energizes
The Commercial Market

The commercial market includes businesses and buildings that we use every day such as schools, hospitals, police and fire stations, offices, restaurants, grocery stores, retail outlets and public halls.

Commercial entities that are natural gas customers represent a diverse mix of energy users comprised of many different end-uses. They are core to the U.S. energy economy and fundamental to our daily lives.

Small businesses and the jobs and families they support are America’s economic engine and they depend on natural gas. Local distribution companies stand ready to deliver.

Commercial Sector Facts

- Natural gas is 18% of commercial sector energy consumption.
- There are more than 5.4 million commercial natural gas customers in the U.S.
- Natural gas utilities serve 99% of volumes delivered to commercial customers.

Natural Gas Prices to Commercial Customers

- Inflation-adjusted natural gas prices to commercial customers are the lowest since 1976.

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Growing the Middle Class
Means Growing Small and Commercial Businesses

There are clear opportunities to expand natural gas service to small businesses:

- Leverage natural gas as a tool for economic growth
- Promote new technologies to improve energy services, lower costs and reduce emissions
- Replace heating oil with natural gas, especially in the northeastern U.S
- Leverage existing efficiency programs to help achieve broader economic or environmental policy goals

An average commercial natural gas customer’s monthly utility bill was $400 in 2015—the lowest since AGA began collecting this data in 2003.

This has led up to $76 billion in savings for American businesses since the natural gas revolution began in 2009.

Thirty-nine states have adopted or considered innovative proposals to expand natural gas infrastructure so that more homes and businesses can have access to clean, affordable natural gas.

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