

# The Direct Use Of Natural Gas



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## My Premise

Maximizing the Direct Use Of Natural Gas:

- > More effectively uses the natural resource
- > Reduces harmful emissions
- > Reduces energy costs for end user
- > Reduces energy losses
- ➤ Reduces the need for additional electric generation



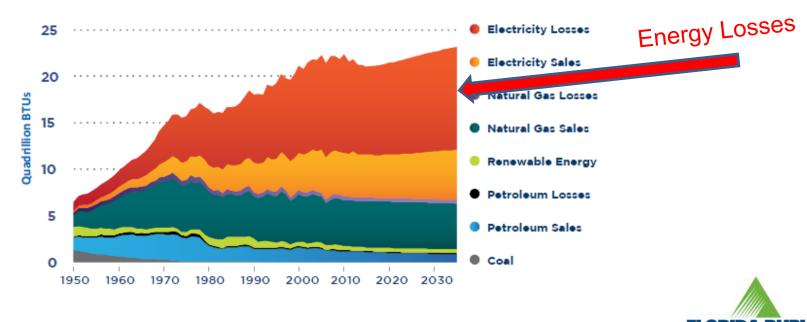


# **Energy Consumption Disconcerting Reality**

Efficient Energy Use

### **Residential Energy Consumption**

Expanding the direct use of natural gas in homes and businesses can reduce the energy lost in the generation and distribution of electricity.



Source: U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Information Administration

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## Providing Energy To The End Use

#### **Natural Gas**



\*Based on 2007 actual generation mix of all energy sources

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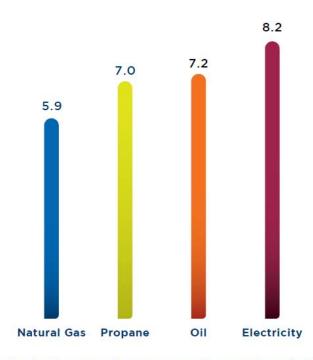


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## **Emissions**

### Full-Fuel Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions of a Typical Household



 ${\it Metric\ Tons\ CO}_2\hbox{-}{\it Equivalent\ per\ Year\ per\ Household}$ 

Using natural gas in homes reduces greenhouse gas emissions.

Natural gas systems accounted for 75% of decline in methane from 2007 to 2011.

U.S. Methane Emissions Decline (Million Metric Tons CO<sub>2</sub>eq)







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