Partnering to Advance Clean Energy Development & Climate Protection: The Global Methane Initiative

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Climate Change Basics

Extra heat is kept in the air by 'greenhouse gases' produced from human activity.

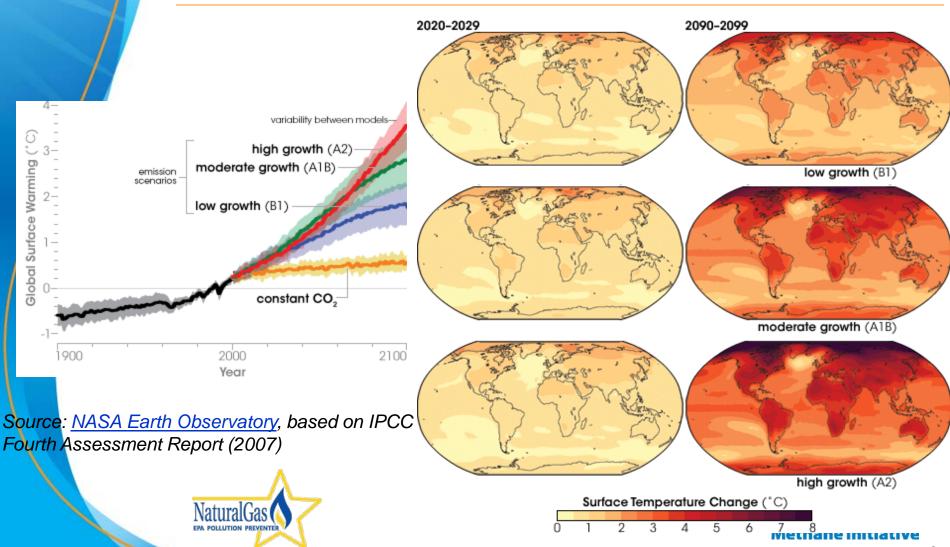
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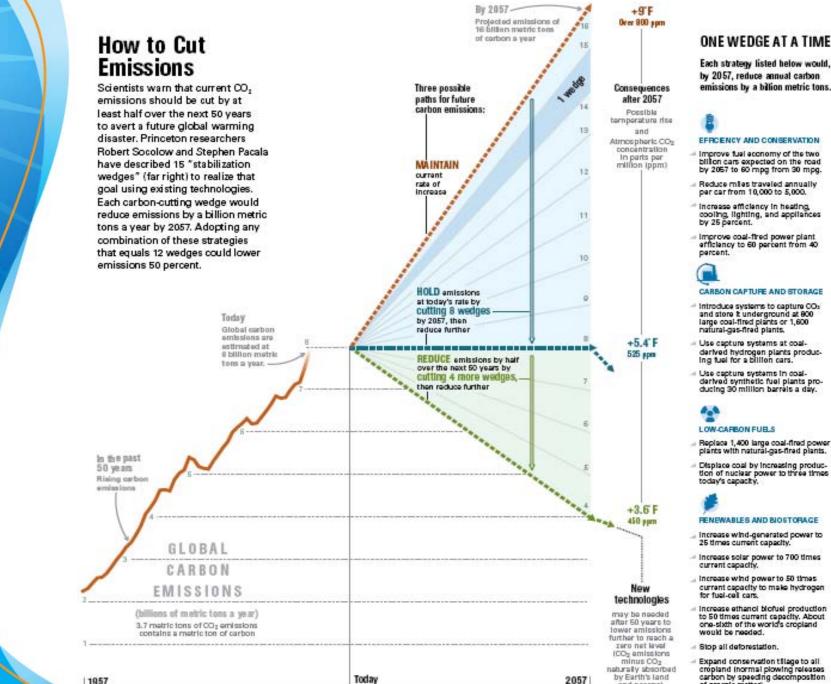
> Some heat is released into space.

Less heat is able to be released into space. Some heat is naturally kept in by gases in the air like water vapour.



GHG Emissions & Future Temperature





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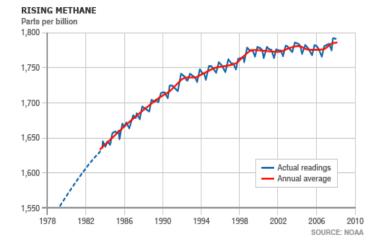
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of organic matter).

Why Methane (CH₄)?

- Potent greenhouse gas
 - 100-year GWP = 25
 - Lifetime = 12 years
 - Most important short-lived forcer based on emissions, accounts for >1/3 of current anthropogenic forcing
- Ozone precursor
 - Effects background ozone levels
- Clean energy source primary component of natural gas
- Many emission sources
 - energy, agriculture & waste sectors
 - 50 70% of are anthropogenic
- Concentration of methane in the atmosphere has increased by 150% in the last 260 years







Methane Projects Deliver Significant Co-Benefits

New Sources of Clean Energy

Emission capture makes methane available for local energy generation

Air Quality Improvement

- Decrease in background ground-level ozone a 20% reduction in global methane emissions could avoid large Northern Hemisphere mortality (140,000 – 400,000 lives in 2030)
- Reduction of local emissions of VOCs and HAPs from landfills, agriculture, and oil and gas systems
- Odor reductions in the landfill and agriculture sectors

Water Quality Benefits

 Local water quality improvements due to improved management of agricultural wastes and leachate in landfills

Industrial Safety

Methane is explosive - improved worker safety in the coal mining and oil & gas sectors





Global Methane Initiative (GMI)

Mission:

GMI is a voluntary, multilateral partnership that aims to reduce methane emissions and to advance the abatement, recovery and use as a clean energy source

- Began in 2004 (as Methane to Markets)
- Targets Five Sector-Specific Areas for Methane Reduction
 - Agriculture, Coal Mines, Landfills, Municipal Wastewater, and Oil & Gas Systems
- Complements UNFCCC
- Impact:

Participants cover nearly 70% of total global methane emissions

Since 2004, GMI has helped facilitate projects that have now reduced 151 MMTCO2e of methane





GMI Global Participation

Membership:

- 40 Partner countries
- Multilateral Institutions including the ADB and IDB
- 1000 + public and private organizations
- Impact:
 - Since 2004, GMI has facilitated project development at more than 600 sites around the globe







Indonesia Joins GMI

Term of Reference for the

Global Methane Initiative

Signature:

Bambang Dwiyanto

Head of Agency of Research and Development for Energy and Mineral Resources Ministry of Energy and Mineral Resources of Republic Indonesia

28 APRIL 2011

Date:

Officially signed 28 April 2011

 See Terms of Reference at http://globalmethane.org/about/terms.aspx





Farms and Landfills—Providing Renewable Energy



Animal Waste to Cooking Fuel in Vietnam

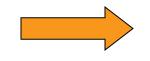








Landfill Gas to an Infrared Heater in Ukraine







Oil, Natural Gas and Coal Mining— Environment and Energy Solutions





Reducing Leaks and Losses from Natural Gas and Oil Operations— More Energy to Markets and less VOCs and HAPs



NaturalGas



Capturing Methane from Gassy Mines—Clean Energy and Mine Safety



Importance of Methane Emissions from Oil & Gas Sector

ECONOMIC LOSS OF A VALUABLE PRODUCT

Over 100 billion m³ of natural gas* lost annually by global oil and gas industry equates to:

- US\$12 to \$20 billion lost revenues
- Over 3% of worldwide net dry gas consumption

SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

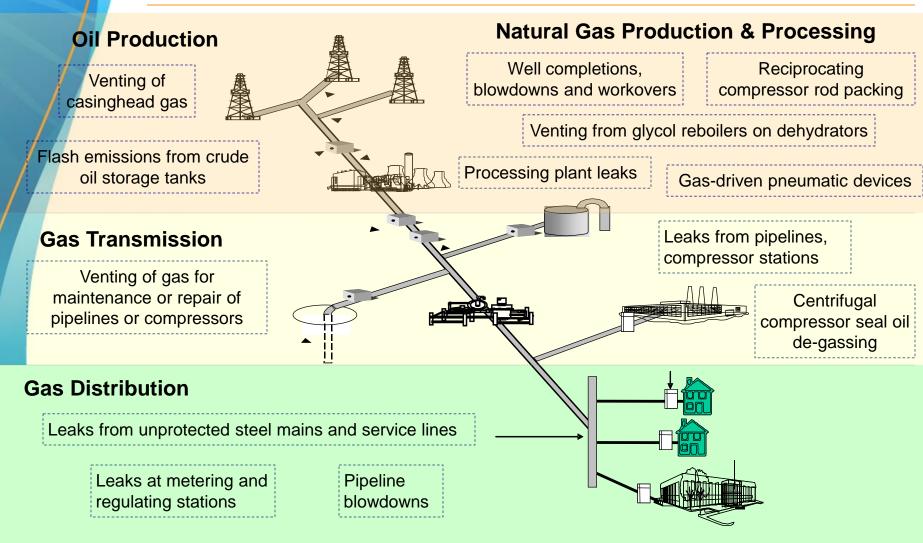
18% of global anthropogenic methane emissions from oil and natural gas operations

Climate change impact of worldwide vented gas (1,165 MtCO₂e) is almost three times as much as that of the flared gas (400 MtCO2e) Emissions can include VOC and HAPs in addition to methane





Sources of Methane Emissions from Oil and Gas Operations



Picture courtesy of American Gas Association 13



Seeing is Believing!





Vented emissions are not readily visible or identifiable without specialized equipment yet they represent significant natural gas losses, reduced operational efficiency, greenhouse gas emissions and potential safety risks





14 Gas STAR International Partners



How Do Companies Participate?

- Joining Natural Gas STAR International involves:
 - Signing a voluntary one page Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
 - Evaluating and implementing current and future voluntary activities that reduce methane emissions
 - Submitting an Implementation Plan within one year of joining and report activities to EPA on an annual basis
- Benefits include:
 - Partner companies are automatically eligible for all of the services Natural Gas STAR has available
 - Join strong and growing "Peer Learning Network"
 - Flexible participation and reporting formats; companies can participate at the level they choose, evaluating company-wide, site-specific or pilot projects





Natural Gas STAR Resources

- Resources to advance cost-effective oil & gas sector methane emission reductions:
- General technology transfer, training, and capacity building:
 - Technical documents and research outlining over 80 mitigation options, including analyses of economic, environmental and operational benefits
 - Workshops and conferences
 - Study tours











Natural Gas STAR Resources, cont.

- Individual technical assistance to help companies identify and assess cost-effective methane emission reduction opportunities
 - Analysis of estimated methane emission sources and corresponding project opportunities
 - Pre-feasibility and feasibility studies
 - Leak detection and measurement studies











New Partners Welcome!

- Enormous economic opportunity to reduce methane losses from oil & gas operations
 - Increases energy security
 - Improves air quality and industrial safety
 - Contributes to climate protection
- Cost of Inaction is significant
 - Stern Review on the
 - Economics of Climate Change
 - Losses = 5 to 20% GDP



- Collaboration expedites information sharing and reduces mitigation costs
- Support and demonstrate sustainable business practice to stakeholders





GMI Partnership-Wide Meeting 12-14 October 2011 – Krakow, Poland

- Plenary Sessions focusing on the reduction and capture of methane emissions
- Sector-Specific Site Tours
- Technical and Policy Sessions
- Steering Committee Meeting
- Networking Functions, including a special tour and dinner at the Wieliczka Salt Mine, a World Heritage Site
- For more information, please visit <u>www.globalmethane.org/krakow</u>









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