

FortisBC Resource Planning Engagement Session – Southern Interior

November 23, 2021

The energy to think differently





Focus of today's session

- To better understand your energy priorities and plans for the future
- To hear from you on our upcoming Long Term Gas Resource Plan (LTGRP)





Renewable Natural Gas







What energy planning opportunities or issues are top of mind for you?

- Renewable energy supply
- Hydrogen & renewable natural gas
- Community energy planning
- Expansion of natural gas service
- FortisBC system & project planning
- Long term energy capacity
- Increasing energy efficiency
- Energy step code & rebates
- Conservation & energy management
- Reducing use of fossil fuels

- Fuel switching
- Affordability & energy costs
- Electric system resilience, dependability & wholesale costs
- EV Charging
- Alternative energy solutions (such as solar)
- District energy system
- Rural energy requirements



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Speakers introductions



Ken Ross Manager, Resource Planning & DSM Reporting



Diana Aguilar Integrated Resource Planning Manager



Randy Sharpe Manager, Community & Indigenous Initiatives



Partners and communities



- We serve the communities in which we live and work.
- We are committed to building strong relationships to support our community partners & business operations.
- Understanding, respect, open communication and trust are key values embedded in our Statement of Indigenous Principles.



Why strong Indigenous relationships are important to FortisBC

- Statement of Indigenous Principles created in 2001.
- We are continually working to build strong relationships with Indigenous communities, their leadership and their members.
 - Commitment to early and transparent
 engagement
 - Awareness training for FortisBC staff
 - Opportunities for economic partnerships and employment for Indigenous peoples
- We support the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Truth & Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.
- Progressive Aboriginal Relations Certification (PAR).

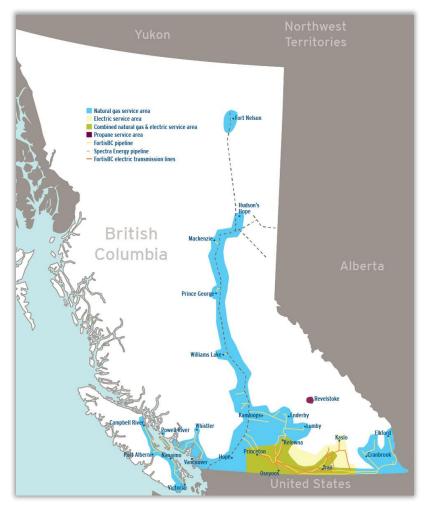


Progressive Aboriginal RELATIONS





FortisBC overview



- Largest energy provider in the province
- Our infrastructure serves 135 communities, including 57 Indigenous Communities
- We serve 1.2 million customers providing:
 - electricity
 - natural gas
 - renewable gas
 - propane
 - alternative energy solutions
- We employ 2,400 people



Sustainability in all we do

Our sustainability framework:

- supporting our customers
- working with our partners and communities
- protecting the environment
- investing in our employees



Sustainability is not something we do. It's how we do everything.



Local Project Partnerships: REN Energy

- Renewable natural gas (RNG) produced form wood waste
- 20 year project life
- Expected production of over one million GJ/year
- Local partnerships are key to meeting climate action targets and energy resiliency.





Communities & organizations registered

- City of Fernie
- City of Nelson
- City of Rossland
- City of West Kelowna
- District of Coldstream
- District of Sicamous
- DMG Blockchain
- Elkford Chamber of Commerce
- Lower Columbia Community Development Team Society
- MLA, Kootenay East

- MLA, Kootenay West
- Regional District of Central Kootenay
- Regional District of North Okanagan
- School District 5
- School District 23
- School District 51
- Teck Resources
- Village of Chase
- Village of Lumby
- Village of Warfield



Housekeeping

- We encourage you to participate through video
- When you're not speaking, mute yourself to reduce background noise
- We will have plenty of scheduled breaks for questions and discussion
- We encourage you to use the hand-up function to indicate you'd like to speak
 - When we call upon you, feel free to un-mute yourself and speak clearly
 - You may also use the chat functionality if you'd prefer
- The session audio/video will not be recorded, however, the chat history will be saved for note-taking purposes





Safety reminders – Emergency Planning

- Prepare an emergency kit for your home and vehicle
- Pack enough supplies for 72 hours
- Store your emergency kit(s) in easily accessible locations
- For a full list of emergency kit items, please visit the Public Safety Canada website at: <u>https://www.getprepared.gc.ca/cnt/kts/bsc-kt-en.aspx</u>









Disclaimer for an open dialogue

- The input provided during this workshop may become public during our regulatory proceedings
- However, we will not attribute input to any specific individual or organization
- We encourage you to provide further input during the formal regulatory proceedings – even if your opinions have changed
- We intend to provide the presentation and meeting notes from today's session on our website
- You will have an opportunity to review these notes prior to us publishing them online



Questions for clarification





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Brief overview of the resource planning process





Purpose of resource planning

- The LTGRP looks ahead 20 years and provides a road map for securing safe, reliable and cost-effective energy resources.
- Represents an important component in our overall utility planning.
- Requirement of the Utilities Commission Act (UCA). Seeking acceptance from the British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC).
- The last plan was submitted in December 2017 and accepted in February 2019.
- The next plan will be submitted in March 2022.

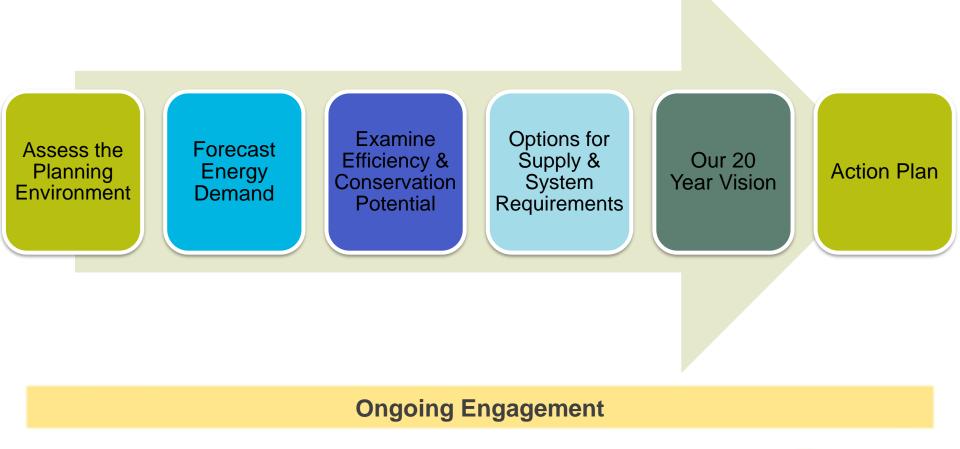


FortisBC 2017 Long Term Gas Resource Plan





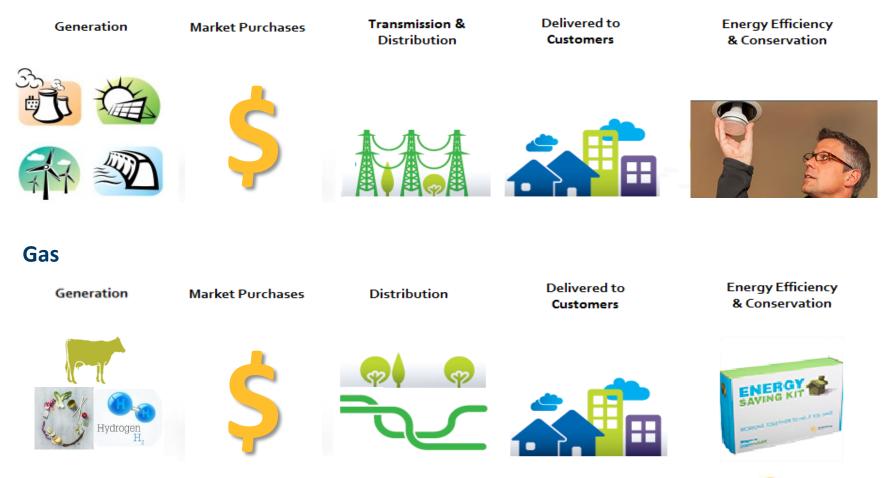
Resource planning process





Gas and electricity resource planning

Electricity





Resource planning objectives

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Ensure cost effective, secure and reliable energy for customers

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Provide costeffective demand-side management and cleaner customer solutions

Ensure consistency with provincial energy objectives

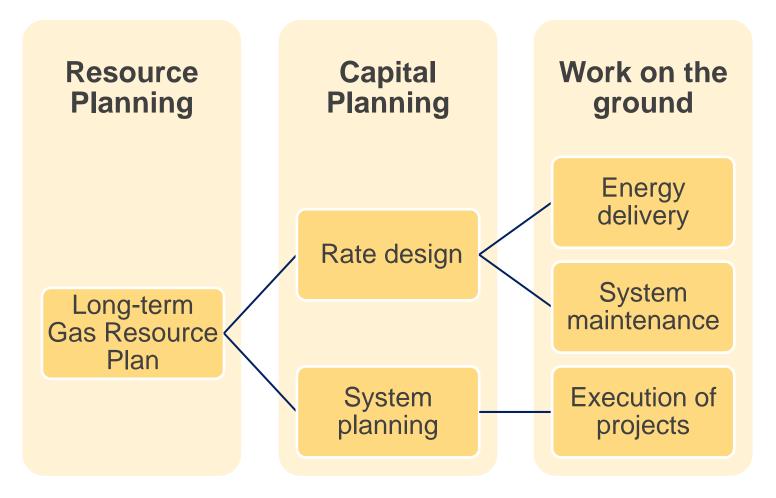
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Address prior British Columbia Utilities Commission (BCUC) directives



Resource planning and day-to-day operations





How input provided today will be actioned through our resource planning process

- Community energy planning
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- Community energy priorities



- Energy demand forecasts
 - Actions to meet customer needs

 Partnership opportunities



 Exploratory followup discussions









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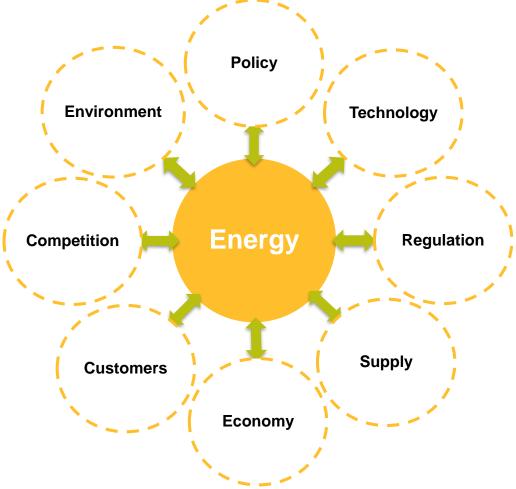


Energy planning landscape in BC



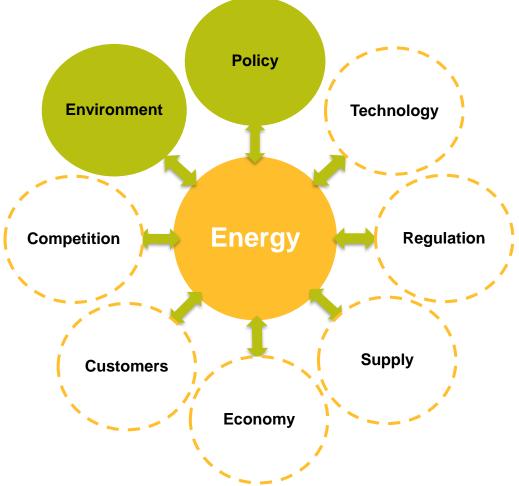


Energy planning framework



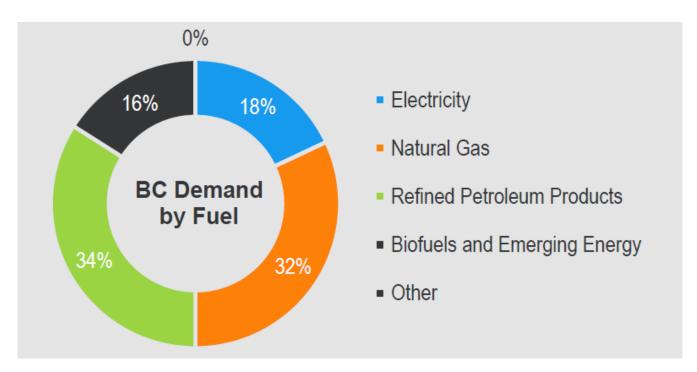


Energy planning framework



Energy demand in BC by fuel

Refined petroleum products account for largest share

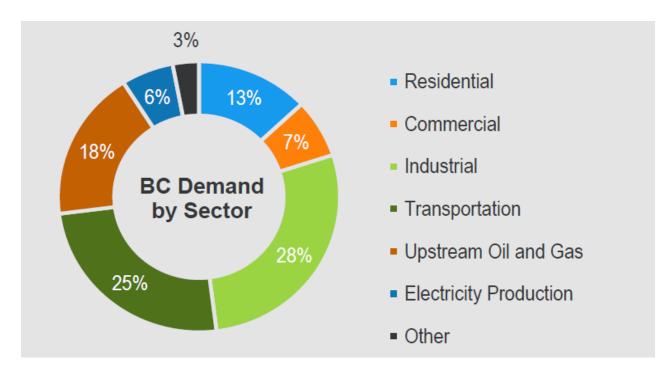


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Energy demand in BC by sector

Industry consumes a significant amount of energy

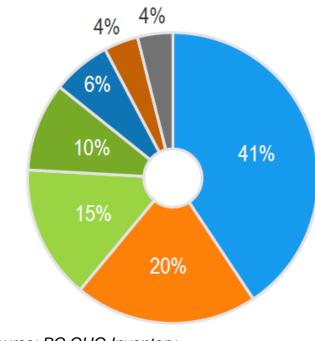


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GHG emissions in BC by sector

Industry & transportation are the biggest contributors



Source: BC GHG Inventory

Transport

- Oil and Gas, Refining, Mining
- Downstream Industry
- Agriculture and Waste
- Residential
- Commercial
- Other



Clean Growth Pathway to 2050

Sharing goals to lower GHGs and drive economic growth

FortisBC has always been:

- offering solutions to help customers reduce GHGs
- collaborating with industry, public, government and regulators
- helping inform the CleanBC consultation process





Pillars of our Clean Growth Pathway to 2050



Energy efficiency



Renewable gas



Zero and low carbon transportation



Global LNG



CleanBC and CleanBC Roadmap to 2030

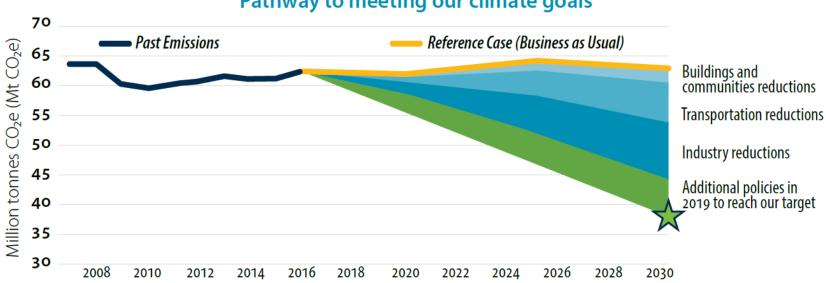
- CleanBC is the provincial climate and economic plan to achieve greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.
- Plan outlines specific actions in the following categories:
 - Better buildings
 - Reducing pollution from industry
 - Cleaner transportation
 - Reducing emissions from waste
 - Clean energy jobs
- FortisBC is a critical partner to achieve the BC Government's goals.





CleanBC GHG emissions reduction target

40% reduction in GHG emissions by 2030



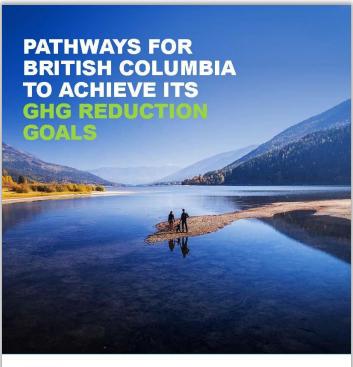
Pathway to meeting our climate goals



Alternative pathways

FortisBC commissioned Guidehouse to:

- develop pathways for BC to achieve an 80% GHG reduction
- compare two options to get there including Electrification and Diversified Pathways
- analyze GHG reductions, costs, reliability and risks to British Columbians



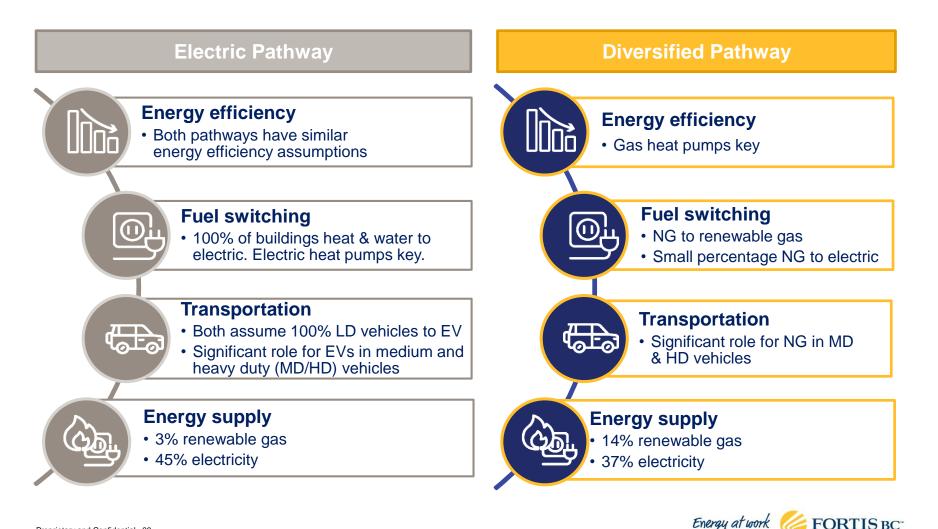
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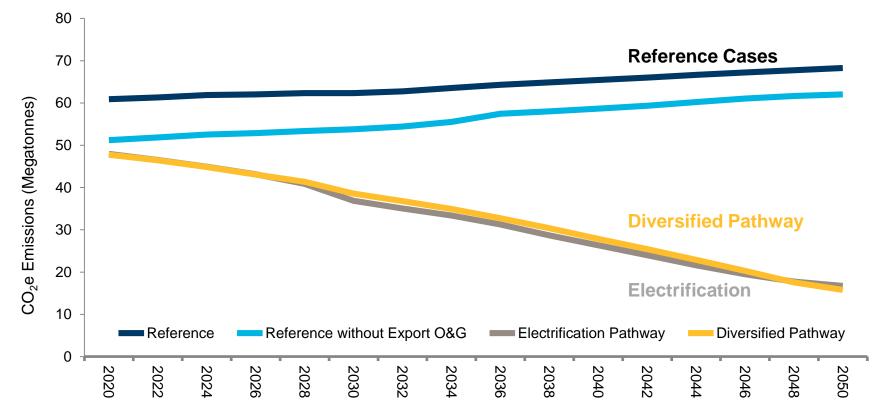
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Electrification & Diversified Pathways



Both pathways achieve the same level of GHG reductions

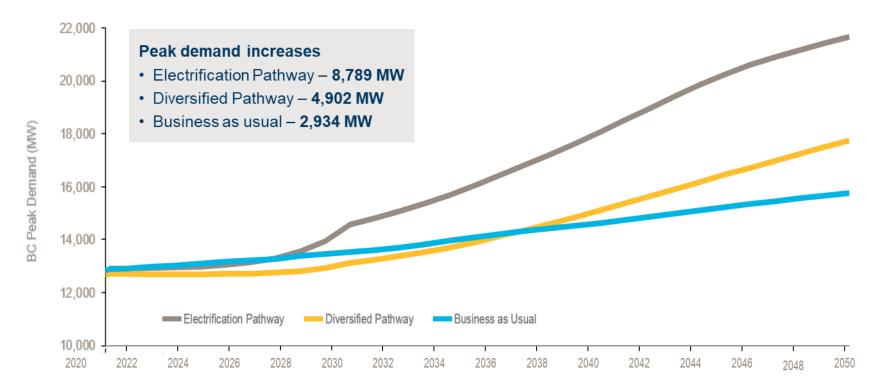


Oil and Gas sector emissions attributable to exports are excluded from both the Reference Case emissions and Pathway emissions



Key Challenge: Expanding Clean Peak Electricity Capacity

Due to the addition of electric vehicles and electric heating, peak demand is expected to increase by approximately **38%** (Diversified Pathway) and **68%** (Electrification Pathway).



*Peak demand impacts are based on conservative assumptions in both pathways (e.g. majority of MHD vehicle charging occurs in non-peak times)

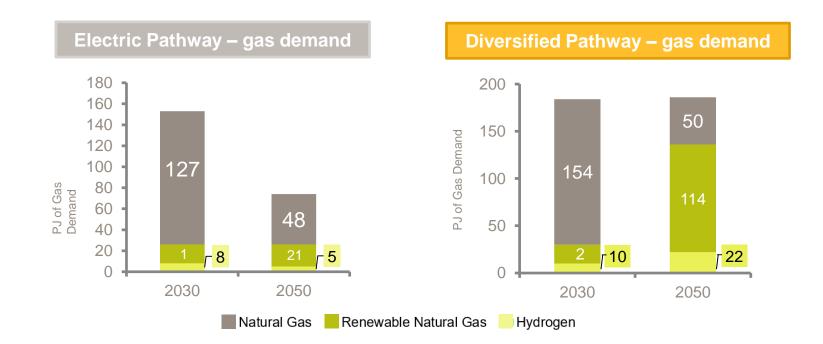
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Energy at work



Key opportunity: Expanding renewable gas supply

Large potential for renewable gas over the coming decades. Partnerships between governments, industry, Indigenous communities and stakeholders will be key.

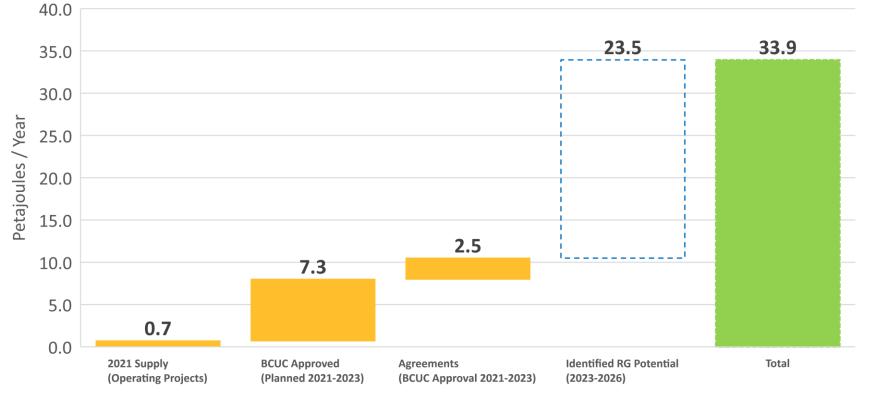




Renewable gas short-term supply outlook

Forecast updated as of October, 2021

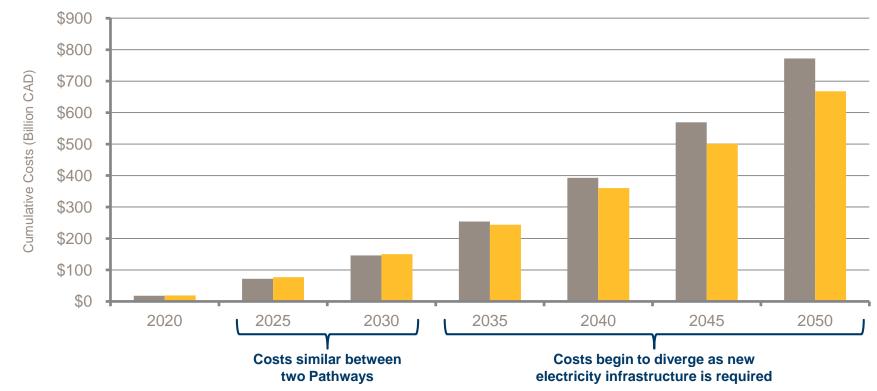
Renewable Gas 5 Year Supply Outlook Q4 2021





Adding up all the costs

By 2050, the cost to achieve the Electrification Pathway is expected to be at least **\$100B** higher than the Diversified Pathway.



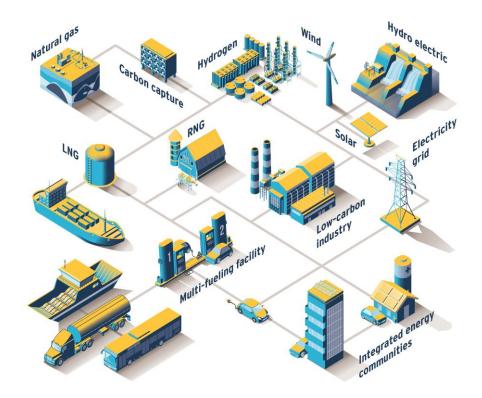
Electrification Pathway

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A diversified approach to climate action

- Achieves the Province's 80% reduction target
- Reduces de-carbonization costs by \$100B
- Considers peak day demand and related infrastructure
- Provides resiliency and reliability
- It's not either/or, it's both/and



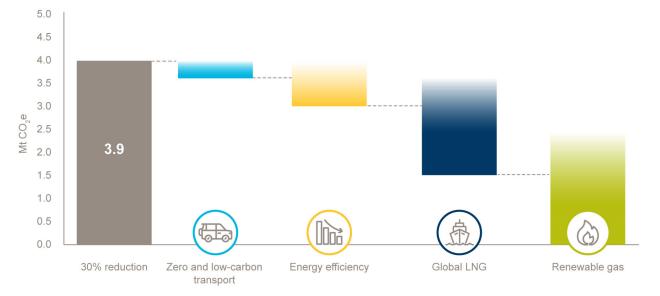


Our commitment to reducing emissions

We set an ambitious emissions reduction target

Our 30BY30 target will:

- reduce our customers' GHG emissions by 30% by 2030
- be a milestone that we measure our progress by:



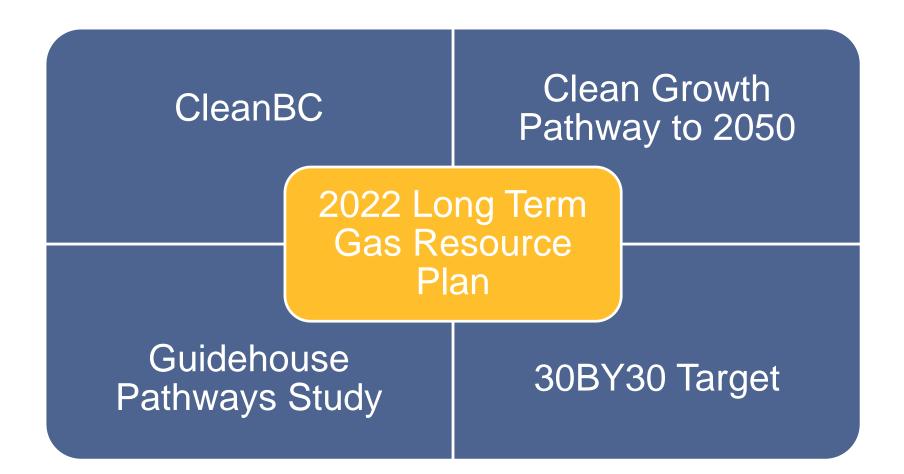


Clean Growth Innovation Fund

- Investing \$4.9 million per year, over the next four years (until 2024), in innovative emissions-reducing projects
 - Renewable natural gas
 - Carbon and methane capture technologies
 - Energy efficiency
- Organizations can apply for project funding, with applications being reviewed based on:
 - the amount of co-funding secured from the applicant and/or third parties
 - estimated emissions that will be reduced in BC
 - estimated cost benefit for our customers
 - relevant experience of the project team



Resource planning considerations



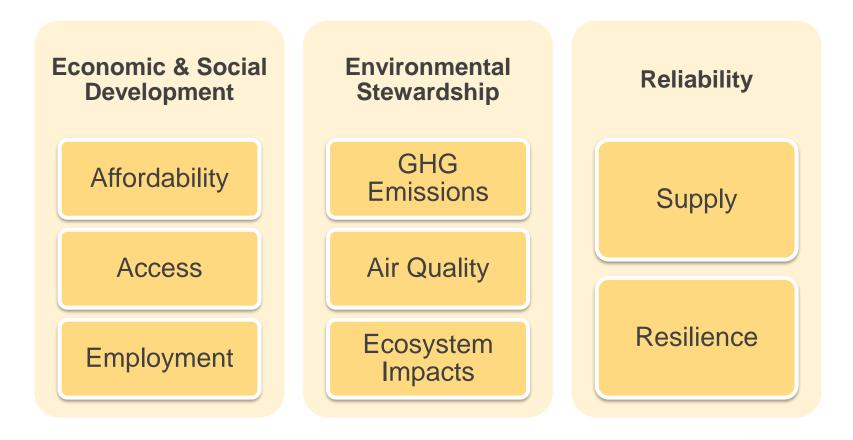


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Discussion: How does the energy landscape in BC impact you? What are the challenges and opportunities you face?





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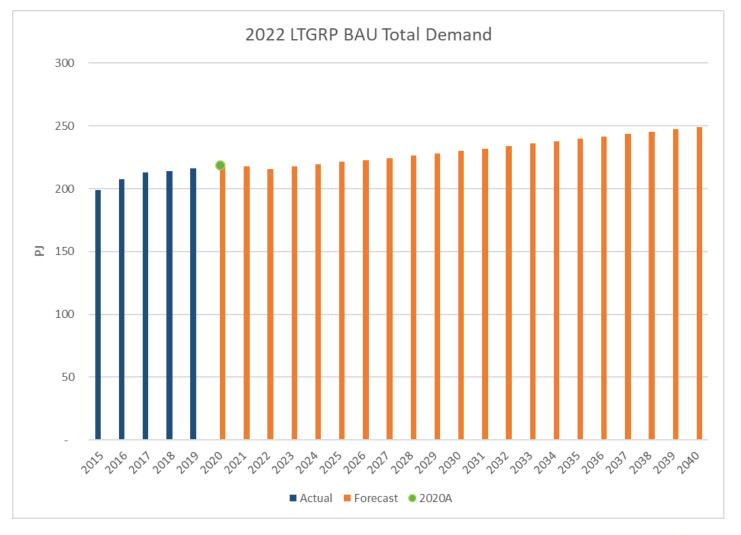


Demand forecasting methodology and critical uncertainties



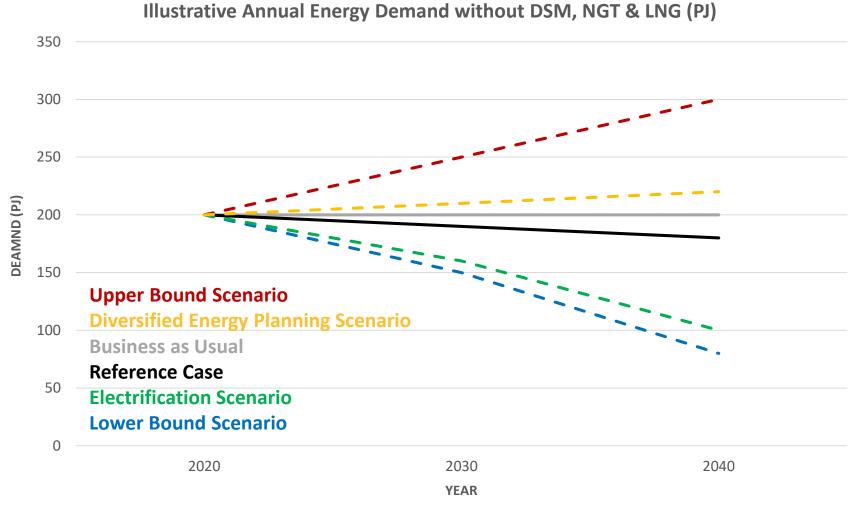


Business As Usual (BAU) forecast





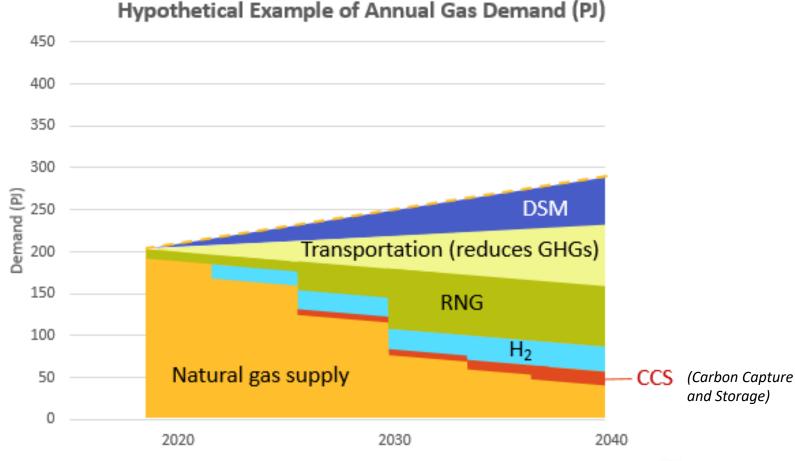
Demand forecast taxonomy





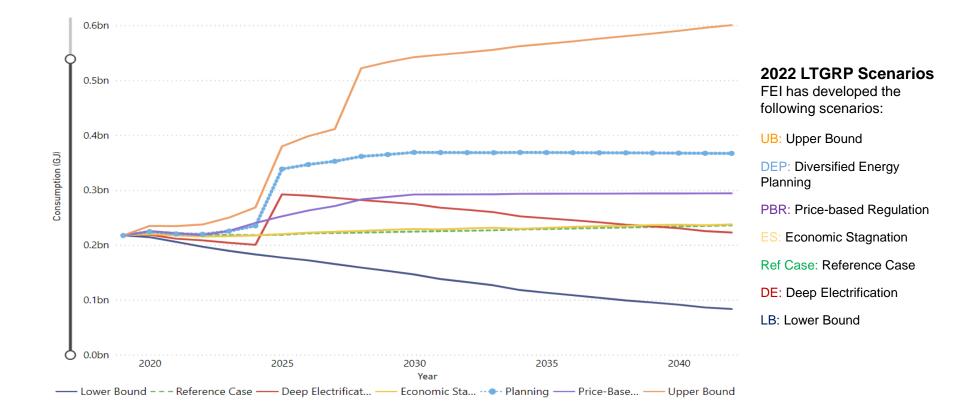
Demand and supply balance

Key to meeting GHG targets





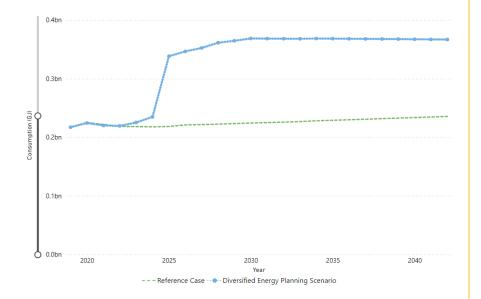
Scenario comparison of forecasted demand (PJ)



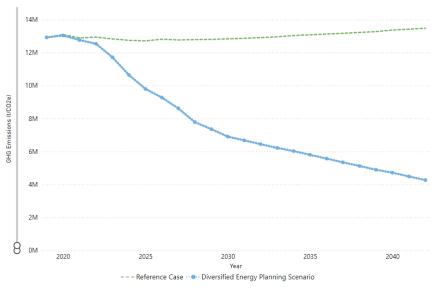


Diversified Energy Planning Scenario

Demand (GJ)

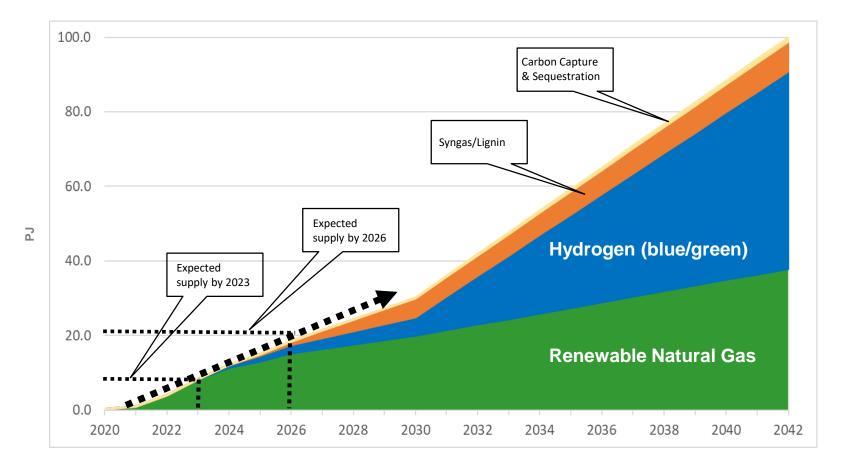


GHG Emissions (t/CO₂e)



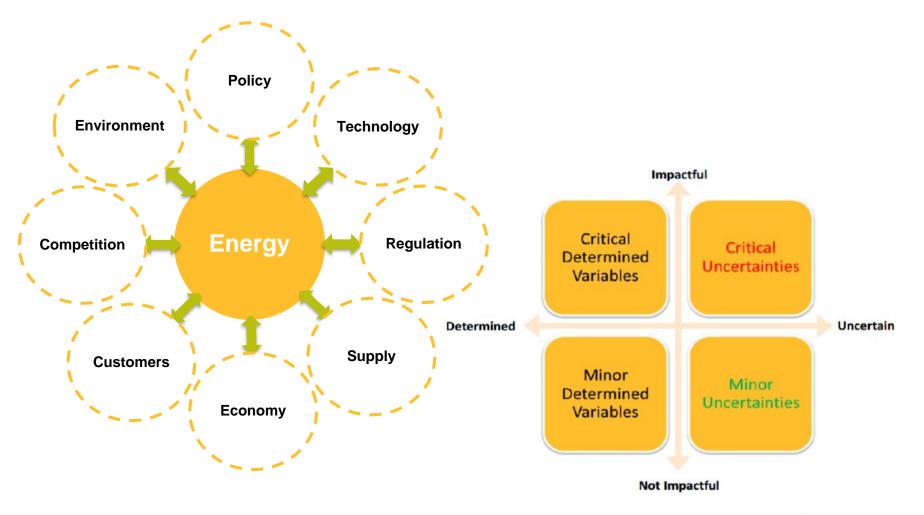


Renewable and Low Carbon Gas Supply Outlook (Long-Term, Preliminary)





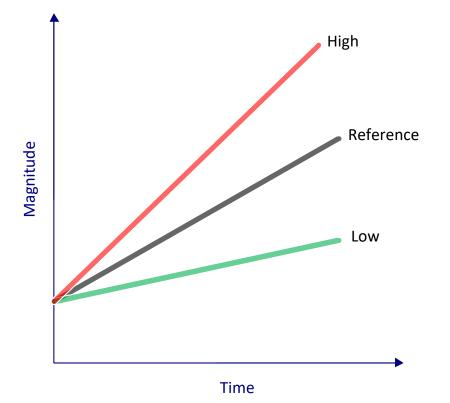
Identifying critical uncertainties





Critical Uncertainty input assumptions

- Several trajectories, or "settings", for each Critical Uncertainty are developed.
- The various settings capture the uncertainty over what the value of these variables may be in the future under different conditions.
- Scenarios are developed by combining different settings for all the Critical Uncertainties.





Critical Uncertainties for the 2022 LTGRP



Demand: variables that impact the annual load that FEI needs to meet.



Supply & GHG Mitigation: variables that impact the supply mix that FEI may use to meet demand while reducing GHG emissions relative to if the demand was met with traditional natural gas only.



Transportation: demand for compressed natural gas (CNG) and liquefied natural gas (LNG) in the natural gas for transportation sector. Demand for these fuels impact FEI's system and GHG emissions as CNG and LNG displace fuels with higher carbon intensities.



Demand-Side Critical Uncertainties

Critical Uncertainty	Description	Impact
Appliance Standards	Minimum energy performance standards for energy- using appliances.	More stringent standards, demand for natural decreases.
Carbon Price	Provincial carbon tax applied to natural gas.	Carbon price increases, demand for natural gas decreases (and vice versa).
Customer Growth	Number of customer accounts by rate class forecasted by FortisBC. Based on confidence intervals of historical data.	Number of customer accounts increase, demand increases (and vice versa).
Natural Gas Price	Commodity price for traditional natural gas.	Gas price increases, demand for natural gas decreases (and vice versa).
New Construction Code	Energy Step Code is the relevant building code for new construction. The energy-requirements are applied to relevant building types and end-uses.	Code increases in stringency, demand for natural gas decreases.
Non-price Driven Fuel Switching	Fuel switching caused by signals other than prices, such as incentives and policies to encourage customers to switch from natural gas to electricity.	As the target for fuel switching increases, demand for natural gas decreases.
Retrofit Code	Estimated impact and timing of a retrofit code based on publicly available information.	Code increases in stringency, demand for natural gas decreases.



Natural Gas for Transportation Critical Uncertainties

Critical Uncertainty	Description	Impact
Natural Gas for Transportation (NGT) Demand	FortisBC's forecasted demand for compressed natural gas (CNG) and liquefied natural gas (LNG) by the transportation sector.	Increase demand for CNG and LNG increases FortisBC's load while providing GHG reduction opportunities as CNG replaces diesel and LNG replaces marine bunker fuel.
Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Export Demand	Export of LNG to other jurisdictions.	Increase demand for LNG Export increases FortisBC's load while also providing GHG reduction opportunity as LNG replaces fuels that burn more GHGs.



Supply-Side & GHG Mitigation Critical Uncertainties

Critical Uncertainty	Description	Impact
Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS)	A carbon is captured from either the combustion of traditional natural gas or from the atmosphere. The captured carbon is then sequestered, or stored, underground so it is not emitted.	CCS lowers overall GHG emissions, no impact on natural gas demand.
Hydrogen (H2) Supply	Hydrogen used as a fuel source.	H2 displaces traditional natural gas thereby helping to meet demand while lowering GHG emissions.
Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Supply	Renewable natural gas used as a fuel source.	RNG displaces traditional natural gas thereby helping to meet demand while lowering GHG emissions.
Syngas & Lignin Supply	Syngas and lignin used as fuel sources.	Syngas & lignin displace traditional natural gas thereby helping to meet demand while lower GHG emissions.



Questions for clarification





Discussion: Which critical uncertainties are of most interest to you and why? Which ones represent new opportunities or challenges for you?

Demand-Side:

- Appliance Standards
- Carbon Price
- Customer Growth
- Gas Price
- New Construction Code
- Non-price Driven Fuel Switching
- Retrofit Code

Supply-Side & GHG Mitigation:

- Carbon Capture & Storage (CCS)
- Hydrogen (H2)
- Renewable Natural Gas (RNG)
- Syngas & Lignin

Transportation:

- Compressed Natural Gas (CNG)
- Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)
- Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Exports



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Ongoing resource planning work





Ongoing resource planning work

- Demand-side management
- Supply considerations
- System considerations and infrastructure projects
- Rate implications and ongoing analysis of alternative energy futures
- Addressing transformative change
- Action plan



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Energy Efficiency (Demand-side Management)

DSM potential for each scenario

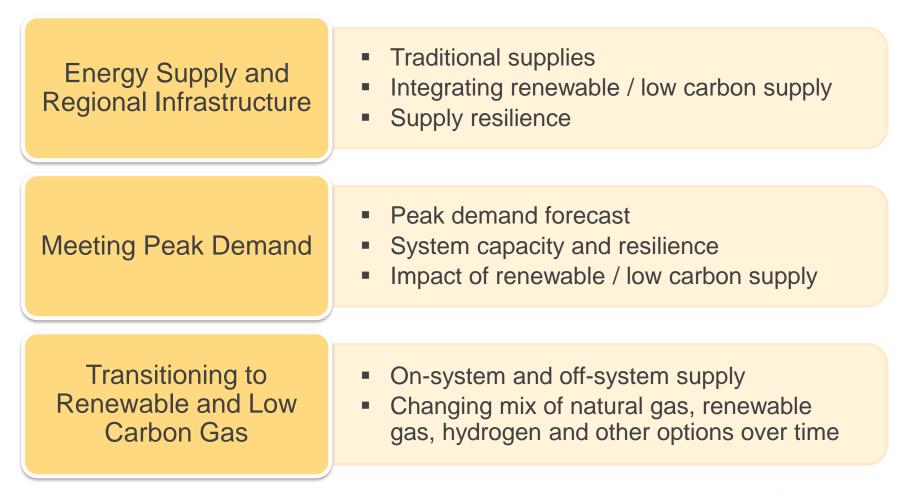
Sensitivity Analysis: High, base and low incentive spending

Interaction with renewable/low carbon supply options





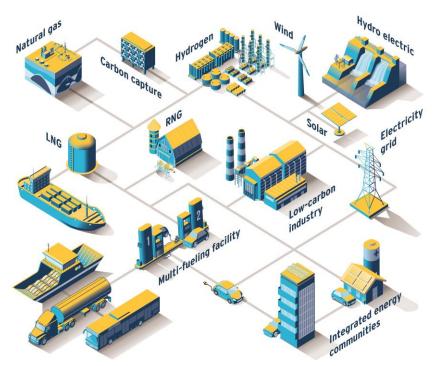
Gas Supply and System Planning





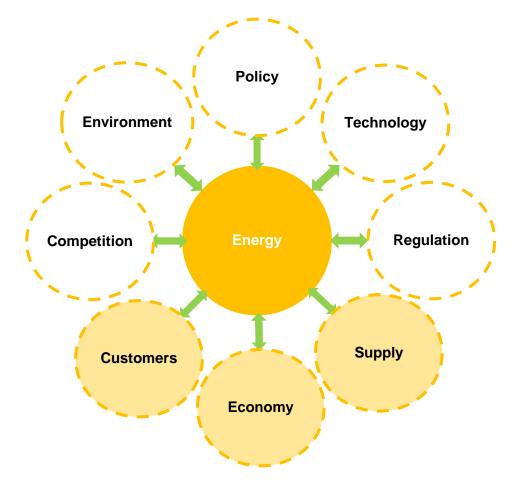
20-Year Vision

- Customer energy needs and services
- Energy efficiency
- Infrastructure
- Rate impacts and affordability
- Carbon emission reductions
- Sustainability
- Partnerships





Cost Uncertainty, Implications for Peak Demand, Risk





Discussion: How does what we've discussed today influence your thinking on energy needs and priorities?

Is there anything else you'd like us to consider as we finalize the demand scenarios and plan for meeting future energy needs?





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Wrap-up and next steps





Wrap-up and next steps

- Thank you for your input and feedback today, we appreciate it
- We will be sharing the meeting notes with you shortly
- Additional engagement session will take place throughout the year
- Feedback for the resource plans can be addressed to irp@fortisbc.com
- Any general questions or concerns can be addressed to <u>getinvolved@fortisbc.com</u>

Filing Date: FortisBC Long Term Gas Resource Plan (March 31, 2022)



Thank you

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