# WE ALL HAVE DECISIONS TO MAKE

We want to reduce carbon emissions and we want efficient and reliable energy like natural gas. Restricting our options will not lead to a cleaner energy future. We need all energy sources, including natural gas, to create the solution.





# WHAT IS THE ISSUE?

Our customers rely on natural gas and prefer it as an efficient, cost-effective fuel for space and water heating, cooking and clothes drying. Many businesses also rely on natural gas. As cities and states continue to consider policies that restrict our customers' ability to use natural gas in their homes and businesses, it's important that you are informed of the important role that natural gas plays in a cleaner energy future. For more information, visit **blackhillsenergy.com/fuelthefuture**.



### WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF NATURAL GAS?

Natural gas is a critical source of energy and an important part of a clean energy future. Reducing greenhouse gas emissions benefits everyone. That's why Black Hills Energy has pledged to make our gas distribution system net zero by 2035 and we're on track to meet this goal.



#### IS NATURAL GAS COST EFFECTIVE ENERGY?

Natural gas provides cost effective energy to 189 million Americans. Households that use natural gas for heating, cooking and clothes drying see an average savings of \$1,132 every year than those who use electricity.



## DOES NATURAL GAS SAVE ENERGY?

With current natural gas water and space heating achieving nearly 100% efficiency, American homes are using less energy—40% less than we did 40 years ago. For most end use applications, natural gas is more efficient than electricity, delivering three times more useful energy from creation to distribution to end use. And, emissions from the natural gas distribution system have declined 70% since 1990.



# IF GOING ALL ELECTRIC ISN'T THE ANSWER, WHAT IS?

There's no single answer to our country's energy future. Our most successful approach will be to work together and to keep all options for emission reductions on the table including natural gas. As renewables and technology continue to develop, our pipeline infrastructure will be a valuable asset for storing and transporting renewable energy.



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