Cook Inlet Oil & Gas in Transition

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Residential Costs-By Regior



Cook Inlet Natural Gas Usage by %



South Central Alaska Natural Gas Study, Prepared for US Dept of Energy, June 2004





Natural Gas Cost vs. Residential Transportation Charges





Comparative Fuel Costs 2006 South Central Alaska





Fuel Substitution – Summer & Winter Peak Cost to Consumer



Cost to Consumers

Switching to Alternative Fuels in South Central Alaska



<u>All Our Energy</u> Goes Into Our Customers

Natural Gas Company

Base Supply & Demand



Department of Energy, June 2004



Gas Supply October 2005





ENSTAR Proposed Gas Supply





Future of Supply

> We have moved from an "Excess Supply" market to a "Supply & Demand" market

- Cost of Natural Gas will go up
- More supply contracts are needed and will likely be for smaller volumes
- Supply contracts will likely be more complicated
- Pipeline system will be more complicated to operate

> We are working to identify and evaluate options to meet future demand

- LNG Imports may be economic at some point
- Storage options are being explored for peaking purposes

 We have achieved Federal support for an in-depth DOE study of In-State demand and for conceptual engineering of a spur pipeline to Nenana Basin / Fairbanks



Future of Supply

New Rate Designs are needed that will allow a Utility to encourage conservation

- A Rate Structure that encourages conservation is good public policy
- Current rate structures reward Utilities based on volumes used and are a disincentive for promoting conservation

> Higher energy costs are not good for Utilities

- Commodity costs are a pass-through with no additional profit for the Utility
- Consumers use less
- Slower payments and higher bad debt
- Consumer satisfaction decreases
- Higher call volumes
- Increased theft of service





Questions?



