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Natural Gas Distribution

				<u>All methane leak sources per 98.232 (i) (1-6) are included for Distribution. Combustion sources are excluded. CO2 is excluded.</u>
METHANE EMISSIONS AND MITIGATION FROM DISTRIBUTION MAINS				
Number of Gas Distribution Customers ⁽¹⁾	925,744	935,704	1.1%	
Distribution Mains in Service ⁽¹⁾	14,708	14,900	1.3%	These metrics should include all local distribution companies (LDCs) held by the Parent Company that are above the LDC Facility reporting threshold for EPA's 40 C.F.R. 98, Subpart W reporting rule.
Plastic (miles)	8,924	9,124	2.2%	
Cathodically Protected Steel - Bare & Coated (miles)	5,632	5,628	(0.1)%	
Unprotected Steel - Bare & Coated (miles)	152	148	(2.6)%	
Cast Iron / Wrought Iron - without upgrades (miles)	-	-	-	
Plan/Commitment to Replace / Upgrade Remaining Miles of Distribution Mains (# years to complete)				These metrics should provide the number of years remaining to take out of service, replace or upgrade cathodically unprotected steel mains, and cast iron/wrought iron mains, consistent with applicable state utility commission authorizations.
Unprotected Steel (Bare & Coated) (# years to complete) ⁽²⁾	-	-	-	Optional: # yrs by pipe type.
Cast Iron / Wrought Iron (# years to complete)	-	-	-	Optional: # yrs by pipe type.
Distribution CO2e Fugitive Emissions⁽³⁾				
CO2e Fugitive Methane Emissions from Gas Distribution Operations (metric tons)	92,787	92,560	(0.2)%	Fugitive methane emissions (not CO2 combustion emissions) stated as CO2e, as reported to EPA under 40 CFR 98, Subpart W, sections 98.236(q)(3)(ix)(D), 98.236(r)(1)(v), and 98.236(r)(2)(v)(B) - i.e., this is Subpart W methane emissions as input in row 2.2 below and converted to CO2e here. This metric should include fugitive methane emissions above the reporting threshold for all natural gas local distribution companies (LDCs) held by the Parent Company that are above the LDC Facility reporting threshold for EPA's 40 C.F.R. 98, Subpart W reporting rule. Calculated value based on mt CH4 input in the 2.2 (below).
CH4 Fugitive Methane Emissions from Gas Distribution Operations (metric tons)	3,711	3,702	(0.2)%	INPUT VALUE (total mt CH4) as explained in definition above. Subpart W input is CH4 (mt).
CH4 Fugitive Methane Emissions from Gas Distribution Operations (MMSCF/year)	193	193	(0.2)%	
Annual Natural Gas Throughput from Gas Distribution Operations in thousands of standard cubic feet (Mscf/year)	180,123,590	189,269,160	5.1%	This metric provides gas throughput from distribution (quantity of natural gas delivered to end users) reported under Subpart W, 40 C.F.R. 98.236(aa)(9)(iv), as reported on the Subpart W e-GRRT integrated reporting form in the "Facility Overview" worksheet Excel form, Quantity of natural gas delivered to end users (column 4).
Annual Methane Gas Throughput from Gas Distribution Operations in millions of standard cubic feet (MMscf/year)	171,117	179,806	5.1%	
Fugitive Methane Emissions Rate (Percent MMscf of Methane Emissions per MMscf of Methane Throughput)	0.1130%	0.1072%	(5.1)%	Calculated annual metric: (MMSFC methane emissions/MMSCF methane throughput)

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Natural Gas Transmission and Storage

				<u>All methane leak sources per 98.232 (e) (1-8), (f)(1-8), and (m) are included for Transmission and Storage. Combustion sources are excluded. CO2 and N2O are excluded.</u>
				<u>Fugitive Methane emissions as defined in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 232 (e) (1-8). CO2 and N2O emissions are excluded from this section.</u>
Onshore Natural Gas Transmission Compression Methane Emissions				
Pneumatic Device Venting (metric tons/year)	1,076	1,101	2.3%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(b)(4)
Blowdown Vent Stacks (metric tons/year)	3,012	2,948	(2.1)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(i)(1)(iii)
Transmission Storage Tanks (metric tons/year)	199	3	(98.7)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(k)(2)(v)
Flare Stack Emissions (metric tons/year)	1	1	(6.3)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(n)(11)
Centrifugal Compressor Venting (metric tons/year)	495	98	(80.2)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(o)(2)(ii)(D)(2)
Reciprocating Compressor Venting (metric tons/year)	2,068	1,437	(30.5)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(p)(2)(ii)(D)(2)
Equipment leaks from valves, connectors, open ended lines, pressure relief valves, and meters (metric tons/year)	479	758	58.2%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(q)(2)(v)
Other Leaks (metric tons/year)	-	-	-	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(q)(2)(v)
Total Transmission Compression Methane Emissions (metric tons/year)	7,331	6,347	(13.4)%	
Total Transmission Compression Methane Emissions (CO2e/year)	183,265	158,664	(13.4)%	
Total Transmission Compression Methane Emissions (MSCF/year)	381,803	330,549	(13.4)%	Density of Methane = 0.0192 kg/ft ³ per 40 CFR Sub W EQ. W-36
				<u>Fugitive Methane emissions as defined in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 232 (f) (1-8). CO2 and N2O emissions are excluded from this section.</u>
Underground Natural Gas Storage Methane Emissions				
Pneumatic Device Venting (metric tons/year)	1,592	1,589	(0.2)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(b)(4)
Flare Stack Emissions (metric tons/year)	-	-	-	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(n)(11)
Centrifugal Compressor Venting (metric tons/year)	-	-	-	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(o)(2)(ii)(D)(2)
Reciprocating Compressor Venting (metric tons/year)	303	302	(0.3)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(p)(2)(ii)(D)(2)
Equipment leaks from valves, connectors, open ended lines, pressure relief valves, and meters (metric tons/year)	103	136	31.3%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(q)(2)(v)
Other Equipment Leaks (metric tons/year)	-	-	-	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(q)(2)(v)
Equipment leaks from valves, connectors, open-ended lines, and pressure relief valves associated with storage wellheads (metric tons/year)	-	-	-	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 236(q)(2)(v)
Other equipment leaks from components associated with storage wellheads (metric tons/year)	-	-	-	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 232(q)(2)(v)
Total Storage Compression Methane Emissions (metric tons/year)	1,999	2,027	1.4%	
Total Storage Compression Methane Emissions (CO2e/year)	49,969	50,663	1.4%	
Total Storage Compression Methane Emissions (MSCF/year)	104,103	105,547	1.4%	Density of Methane = 0.0192 kg/ft ³ per 40 CFR Sub W EQ. W-36
				<u>Blowdown vent stacks for onshore transmission pipeline as defined in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 232 (m). CO2 and N2O emissions are excluded from this section.</u>
Onshore Natural Gas Transmission Pipeline Blowdowns				
Transmission Pipeline Blowdown Vent Stacks (metric tons/year)	5,001	3,884	(22.3)%	Value reported using calculation in 40 CFR 98 Sub W Section 232(i)(3)(ii)
Transmission Pipeline Blowdown Vent Stacks (CO2e/year)	125,037	97,106	(22.3)%	
Transmission Pipeline Blowdown Vent Stacks (MSCF/year)	260,493	202,305	(22.3)%	
				(OPTIONAL) If desired, report additional sources required by ONE Future include dehydrator vents, storage station venting transmission pipeline leaks, and storage tank methane.
Other Non-Sub W Emissions Data (OPTIONAL)				
Total Methane Emissions from additional sources not recognized by 40 CFR 98 Subpart W (metric tons/year)	-	-	-	
Total Methane Emissions from additional sources not recognized by 40 CFR 98 Subpart W (CO2e/year)	-	-	-	
Total Methane Emissions from additional sources not recognized by 40 CFR 98 Subpart W (MSCF/year)	-	-	-	
Summary and Metrics				
Total Transmission and Storage Methane Emissions (MMSCF/year)	746	638	(14.5)%	
Annual Natural Gas Throughput from Gas Transmission and Storage Operations (MSCF/year)	2,308,402,955	2,427,662,940	5.2%	<u>EIA 176 throughput or other reference for other throughput selected</u>
Annual Methane Gas Throughput from Gas Transmission and Storage Operations (MMSCF/year)	2,192,983	2,306,280	5.2%	Methane content in natural gas equals 95% based on 40 CFR 98 Sub W 233(u)(2)(vii)
Methane Emissions Intensity Metric (Percent MMscf of Methane Emissions per MMscf of Methane Throughput)	0.0340%	0.0277%	(18.7)%	

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Natural Gas Gathering and Boosting

METHANE EMISSIONS				
Gathering and Boosting Pipelines, Blow Down Volumes, and Emissions	NA	NA	-	
Total Miles of Gathering Pipeline Operated by gas utility (miles)	NA	NA	-	
Volume of Gathering Pipeline Blow Down Emissions (scf)	NA	NA	-	This metric is collected to support calculations under EPA 40 CFR 98, Subpart W.
Gathering Pipeline Blow-Down Emissions outside storage and compression facilities (metric tons CO2e)	NA	NA	-	
CO2e COMBUSTION EMISSIONS FOR GATHERING & BOOSTING COMPRESSION				
CO2e Emissions for Gathering & Boosting Compression Stations (metric tons)	NA	NA	-	CO2 combustion emissions as reported to EPA under 40 CFR 98, Subpart C, as directed in Subpart W, 98.232(k).
CONVENTIONAL COMBUSTION EMISSIONS FROM GATHERING & BOOSTING COMPRESSION				
Emissions reported for all permitted sources (minor or major)				The number of permitted sources for conventional emissions may not be the same number of sources reporting under the EPA GHG reporting rule. Companies may wish to describe which, or how many, sources are included in the conventional pollutants data and whether the CO2e data reported includes all of these sources.
NOx (metric tons per year)	NA	NA	-	
VOC (metric tons per year)	NA	NA	-	

Comments

- (1) Natural gas distribution customers and distribution mains include MidAmerican Energy Company and Sierra Pacific Power Company.
- (2) Replacement is targeted under the MidAmerican Energy Company distribution integrity management plan which is a priority-based program focusing on relative risk.
- (3) Natural gas distribution emissions do not include the Sierra Pacific Power Company distribution system as it is below the reporting threshold for the USEPA GHG Subpart W.