

STRIDE Works for Marylanders

safety

Accelerated pace to replace outmoded gas equipment



Over **100 miles** and more than **25,000** service pipes replaced

Reliability

Proven “pay as you go” model for modernizing gas equipment



\$260 Million investment since 2014

JOBS

850 full-time jobs statewide

600 of which for BGE projects



1 Million **LESS** pounds of methane gas

environment

Through Maryland’s Strategic Infrastructure Development and Enhancement (STRIDE) Law, BGE has greatly accelerated the modernization of the natural gas system. The first 5-years of our STRIDE plan have been a success, benefitting customers with safer, more reliable gas service, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and supporting job growth while managing costs effectively. Now we are seeking to further accelerate our pace, completing the replacement of cast iron pipes and other outmoded, leak-prone materials in 20 years.



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STRIDE Benefits

STRIDE “pay as you go” model has been highly successful in modernizing major portions of the gas infrastructure

STRIDE **significantly improves** safety and reliability to better serve our customers

- During the first four years of STRIDE (2018 will be the fifth year), we have already replaced more than **100 miles** of gas mains and more than **25,000** service pipes that connect customers to the gas system.
- Nearly **200** STRIDE projects have either been completed, are underway or being planned since 2014.
- In 2017 alone, **75** separate gas upgrade projects are in progress.

STRIDE creates **environmental benefits** as leak-prone gas infrastructure is replaced

- Already pipe replacements have led to a **reduction** of more than **1 million pounds** of methane – a major greenhouse gas (GHG) pollutant.
- Once all improvements to BGE’s natural gas system are made, it is estimated that the **GHG emissions** will have been **reduced** by **210,000 metric tons** per year compared to 2013. This is the equivalent of taking 44,000 cars off the road.

Accelerated investment in gas system modernization drives **economic growth** in Maryland

- Since 2014, BGE has invested nearly **\$260 million** in gas system modernization and we expect the 2017 investment to exceed **\$130 million**. Other gas companies in Maryland are investing at an accelerated rate as well.
- To date, STRIDE projects have created approximately **850 full-time jobs** statewide, 600 of which are for BGE projects.

Maryland utility customers **support STRIDE**

- **97 percent** of customers surveyed by BGE believe it is important to make continual upgrades to energy systems.
- Approximately **2/3 of customers** expect to pay a monthly charge to support system modernization.
- The average residential total customer bill today is still **20 percent lower** than it was in 2007.