A View from the Top

This program was recorded at the SGA Management Conference in New Orleans, LA on April 3, 2013. A panel of industry leaders provide their perspective on today’s natural gas operating environment.

Perspectives from three different segments of the industry:

- Future of natural gas
- Long term fixed price contracts & Hedging
- Relationship with renewables
- Compressed Natural Gas and NGV’s
- Recruiting and retaining talent

Moderator:
Kim Cocklin, President & CEO, Atmos Energy Corporation

Panelists:
Caron Lawhorn, Senior Vice President - Commercial, ONEOK Distribution Companies
Roger Plank, President, Apache Corporation
Greg Rizzo, Group Vice President, Spectra Energy Transmission

Click here for the news release
Click here for the participation packet

Monthly Video Broadcast
Thursday, May 9, 2013
*10:30—11:30 AM CT

Available in the SGA Network Video Library anytime after 8:00 AM CT

*Program has been changed by ONE HOUR

Integrity Management Continuous Improvement (IMCI)

This webinar series is intended to promote discussion, learning and knowledge about issues and potential improvements to integrity management of the nation’s natural gas pipeline infrastructure.

This series complements the April 2012 series (link at the bottom of this page). It is intended to provide a technical foundation and stimulate thinking in anticipation of roundtables at the SGA Operating Conference in Houston July 22-24, 2013.

Webinar Series April 1—May 13, 2013
Next scheduled webinar is May 13

Click here for more information and to register.

Accelerated Replacement Programs (ARP)

This webinar series is designed to promote discussion, learning and knowledge exchange around the challenges and opportunities associated with Accelerated Replacement Programs. Operators considering or who have already started their programs will benefit from participating. Each session will include presentations from subject matter experts and the opportunity for Q&A.

Webinar Series March 28–June 6, 2013
Next scheduled webinar is May 9th

Click here for more information and to register.
Four Ways You Can Stay Updated

1. Read our Blog
   Have you read the SGA Executive Newsletter? [click here]
   Did you see who one awards at the Management Conference? [click here]
2. Like us on Facebook
3. Follow us on Twitter
4. Watch our YouTube channel
   Learn more about SGA volunteers who received their Service Awards at the Management Conference. [Click here] to watch the video now.

Connect@SGA Coming Soon

In the coming weeks, SGA will be launching an exciting new space called Connect@SGA. This social media tool will provide our members with new ways to connect with each other and allow SGA to serve it’s membership in an exciting new way. Our goal is to expand the collaborative aspects of SGA by extending the social interaction and networking that happens at our conferences, workshops and roundtables beyond the events themselves. This new tool provides individuals the opportunity to:

- Connect with others
- Learn from each other
- Extend event participation
- Congregate into communities of like interests
- Share Ideas

Expect more information about Connect@SGA very soon.

Available in the Video Library

The Business of Natural Gas—Learn how we make money in natural gas in this five minute animated video. Learn even more and watch the full program with Allen Beaulieu, one of the country’s most in formed economist.


Upcoming Live Events

Southern Gas Association

- Practical In-Line Inspection Workshop
  May 07-09, 2013 Tulsa, OK
- Training Week 1
  May 14-16, 2013 Plano, TX
- Pipeline Repair Methods Workshop
  May 21-24, 2013 Houston, TX

Gas Machinery Research Council

- Gas Machinery Conference (GMC)
  Mark your calendars!
  October 6-9, 2013 in Albuquerque, NM

Member+PLUS Benefits

SGA Management Conference Attendees, do you wish that you could share the experience with your colleagues? Or be able to review key points from one of our speakers when you get back to the office? As a Management Conference Attendee or a Network+PLUS company you now can get them for FREE. Yes, that is right FREE!

Links will be arriving to your mailbox soon!

Fun Facts from Gary

Did you know that there are more chickens in the world than people?
What is Switch?  [www.switchenergyproject.com](http://www.switchenergyproject.com)

On April 19, the SGA Network partnered with the Switch Energy Project to deliver a program that included the 90 minute documentary, “Switch” followed by a live question & answer session with the producer, Harry Lynch, and author, Dr. Scott Tinker.

Every energy resource — fossil, nuclear and renewable — is undergoing profound changes. And overall, we’re gradually shifting from coal and oil to the energies of tomorrow.

This sweeping transition is the subject of Switch. But rather than advocate for how it should happen, Switch travels the world to discover how it most likely will happen.

Switch is also about a changing energy conversation. Today, it’s polarized and unproductive. Switch focuses on practical realities and encourages a balanced understanding. Finally, Switch is about changing the way we use energy, to realize the many economic and environmental benefits of efficiency.

The Stats: “Switch” a Big Success!

34 Number of member companies participated
10.8 Average number of persons at each connection (one company had 5 connections with 115 total viewers)
65 Largest number of participants at one location
110 Number of connections
4.75 Satisfaction rating (on a 5 scale)

Read our blog for the full update: "Switch" a Big Success!

Participant Feed Back:

“Very informative and diverse topics on today’s energy options.” - CenterPoint Energy Corp.

“Very informative, interesting and well presented. The delivery of the information and benefits and disadvantages of the wide range of energy options was well organized and easy to understand.” - Atmos Energy Corporation

“Really liked the broad spectrum of energy discussed.” - Mobile Gas Service Corporation

“Keep the information coming as these are very informative.” - Washington Gas

“It was a fantastic program. We would like to have more opportunities to show either through another broadcast or DVD.” - SCANA Corporation

Still Want More?

Extend the Conversation: Based on feedback from our viewers we are setting up a media site to facilitate on-going conversation about energy. Look for information soon about “Connect@SGA”, our on-line community/forum where you can connect with your peers to share ideas and information about the natural gas and energy industry.

Did Some People in Your Company Miss “Switch”?

The Q&A portion is now available on our website (www.SGANetwork.org) for you to review and share with others - click here. If you are interested in purchasing a copy of the DVD for individual use, you may do so though Amazon – click here. If you are interested in arranging a group screening of the film, please contact Jillian Hall at jhall@arcosfilms.com.

Join us for Network News
Live May 10, 2013 at 10:00am to talk more about The Switch Project.

[Click here](http://www.arcosfilms.com) to register.
Environmental, Safety & Health, and Training Conference

June 4-6, 2013
St. Louis, MO

The Environmental, Safety & Health, and Training Conference features a variety of topics that pertain to today’s needs in the natural gas industry. This conference offers a unique opportunity to hear from experts in these three areas, network and have open dialogue with your peers during roundtable sessions. Attendees can also visit with over 30 exhibitors at this conference to find out the latest in services and products available to the pipeline industry in these areas. Our very own Eugene Harris is co-chair of the Training Professionals Roundtable.

Click here to learn more and register.

Program Committee Meeting Information

It is that time of year when we roll up our sleeves and begin the planning process for the following year. The Programming Committee’s 2014 Planning Meeting will be held September 11-13, 2013. This year it will be held at ONEOK’s offices in Tulsa, OK. A negotiated rate at The Mayo Hotel and Residences will be available.

Site Coordinators—on Thursday, September 12th please plan to join the committee for a special virtual user group meeting. More about this meeting in next month’s newsletter.

Click here for more information on this meeting.

Located at:
ONEOK Plaza
100 W. 5th Street
Tulsa, OK 74103

Click to view 2013 Program Calendar

A very special thanks to ONEOK for hosting our meeting!

From the Editor:

Getting the most out of your membership means learning the tools provided. Network News Live will bring you live interactive learning each month to do just that.

I am looking for new ideas on our monthly Network News Live webinars. Let me know what new tools you would like to explore.

You can send your questions and ideas to: farlene@southerngas.org

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