# In the heart of the production zone Taking advantage of Gaz Métro's network







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### Gaz Métro in a Nutshell



- → Main natural gas distributor in Quebec
  - Owns right over the entire Quebec territory (except Outaouais)
  - 97% of natural gas distributed in Quebec
- → Gaz Métro is a Limited Partnership
  - Units are listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange GZM.UN
- → 10,000 km of pipelines
  - 12 administrative regions
  - Present in 53 Municipalité régionale de comté (MRC)
  - Across 300 municipalities
- → 1,300 employees in Quebec



# Regulation



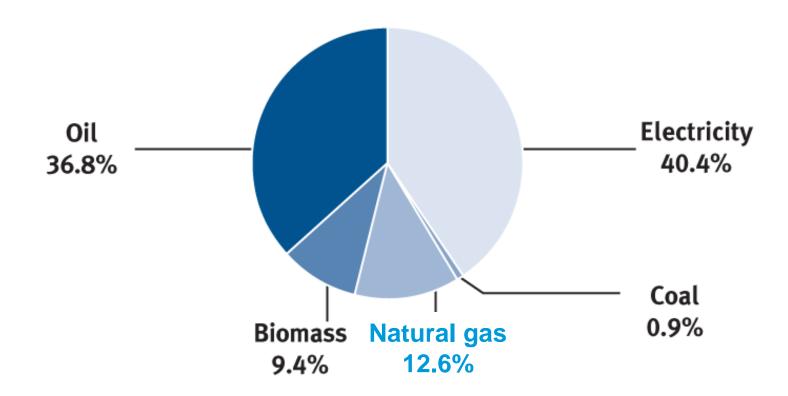
- → Gaz Métro is regulated by the Régie de l'énergie
- → The Régie approves the tariffs and decides on all major immobilization projects
- → The Régie applies economic profitability criteria to all of Gaz Métro's network extensions







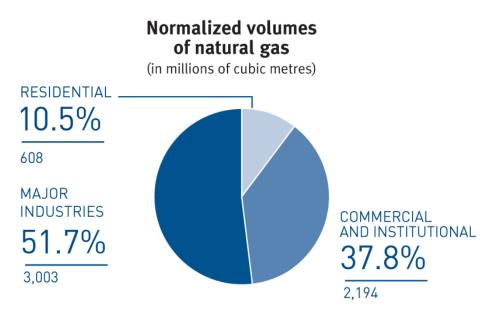
#### Natural gas has a place to take



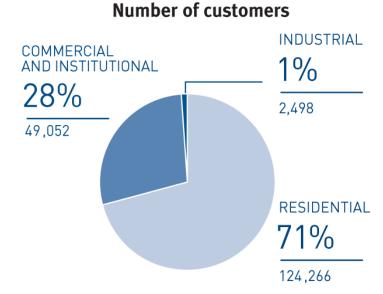


## Gaz Métro's Markets

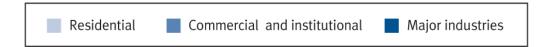




Total: 5,805 millions of cubic metres



**175,816 customers** 





Source: Gaz Métro



# Gaz Métro's Market by Sector

# Competitive Position Residential Market



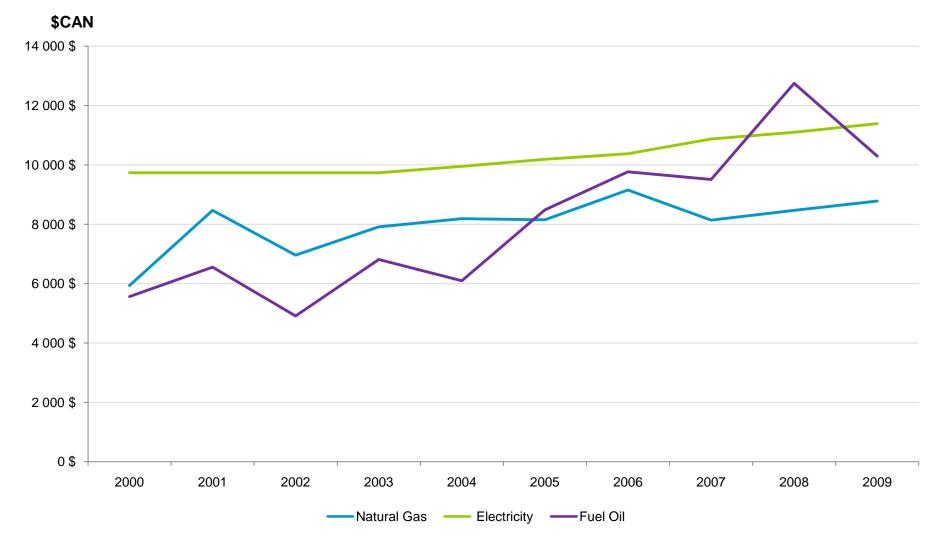




# Competitive Position

#### Commercial, Institutional and Industrial Market

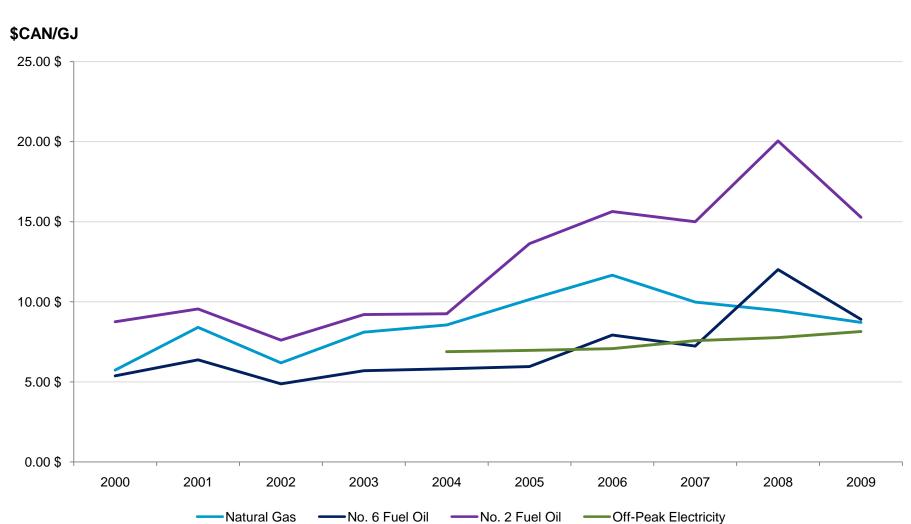






# Competitive Position Major Industrial Market







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#### **CHAUFFAGE** COMPARAISON DES COÛTS



LE CHAUFFAGE RÉSIDENTIEL SELON LA SOURCE D'ÉNERGIE

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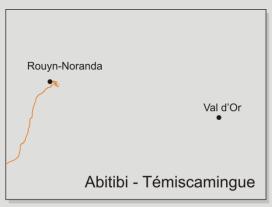


# A Unique Expertise



- → Gaz Métro operates a network of over 10,000 km, passing through more than 300 municipalities and 13,000 landowners
  - 900 km of high pressure distribution and transmission lines
  - 9,500 km of low pressure distribution lines
- → Gaz Métro has its own construction management teams all over its territory
- → Unique expertise in obtaining permits and construction management and has maintained good relations with local communities and private landowners for years



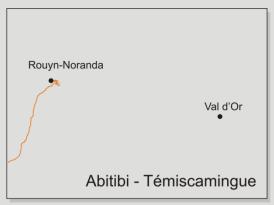




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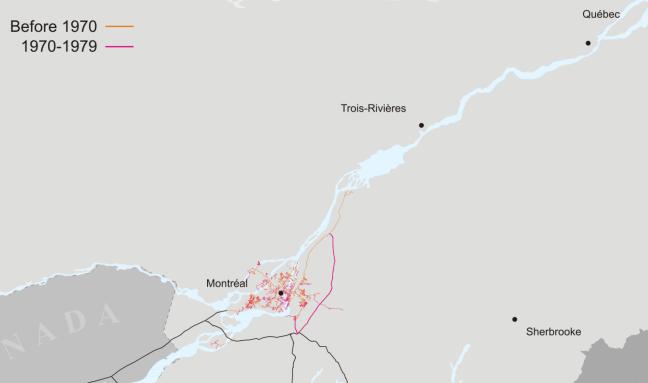
Québec Before 1970 -Trois-Rivières Montréal Sherbrooke

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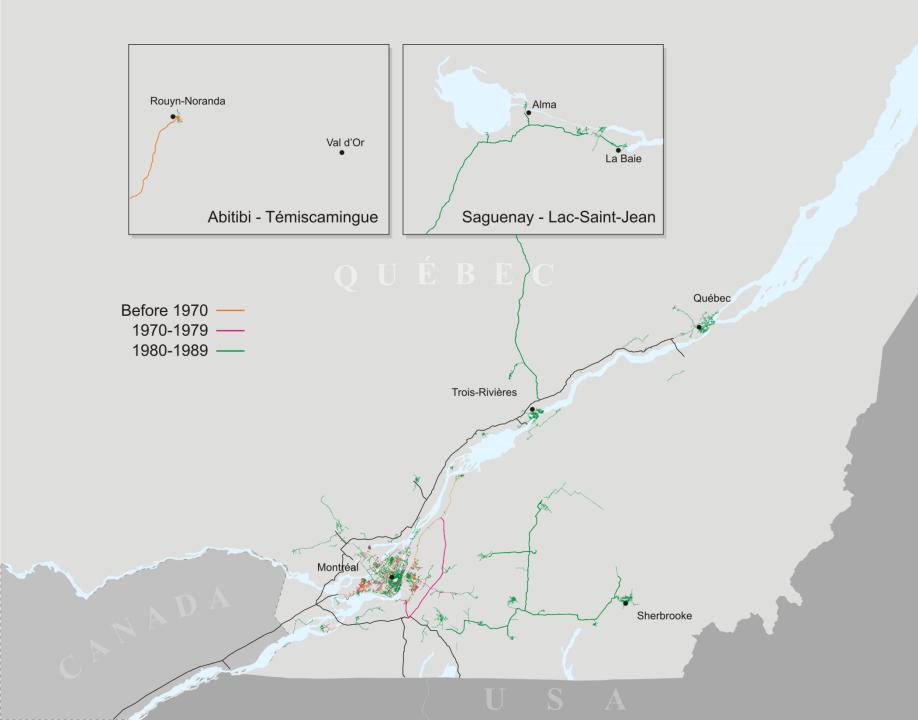


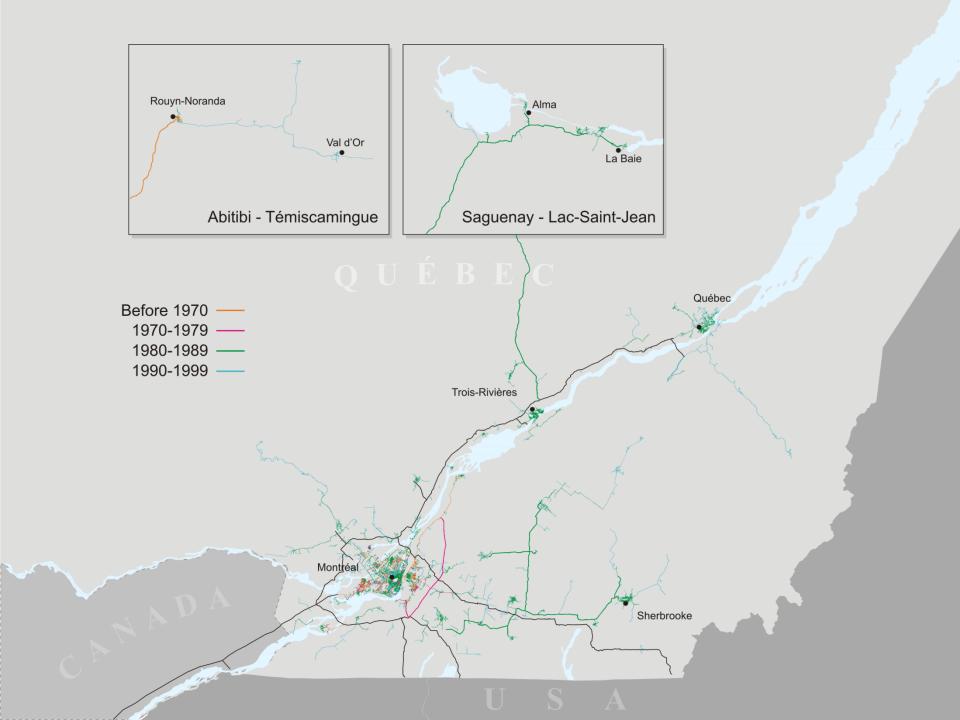


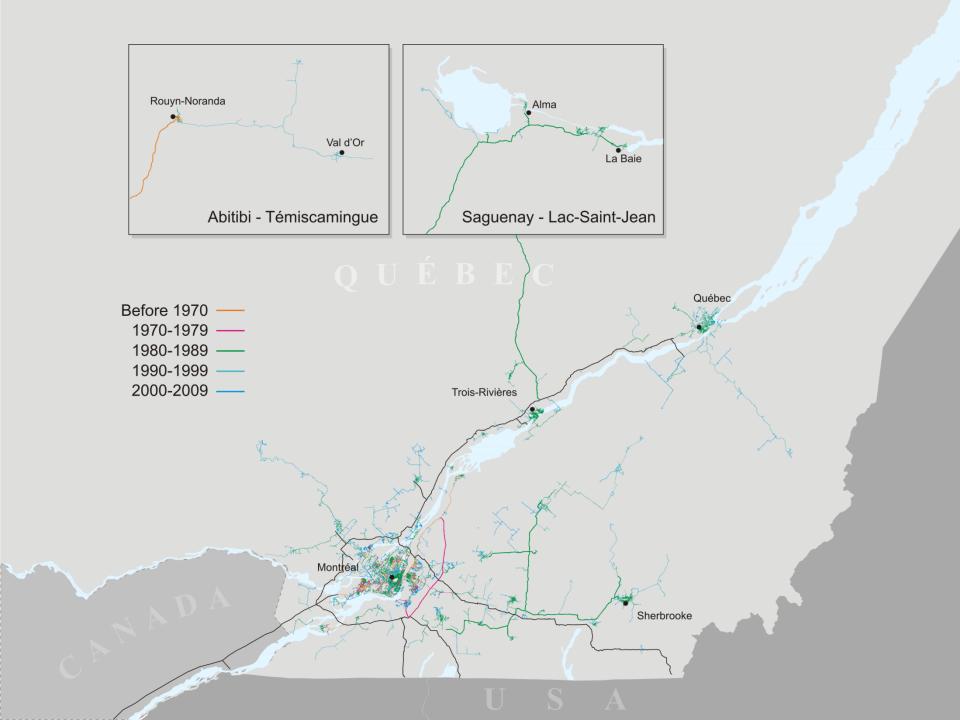




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# Gaz Métro Supplies

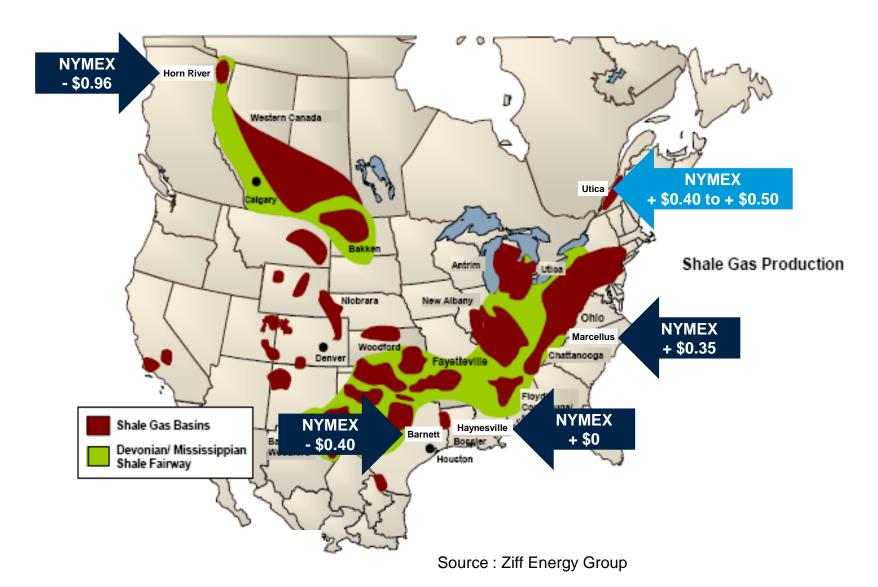


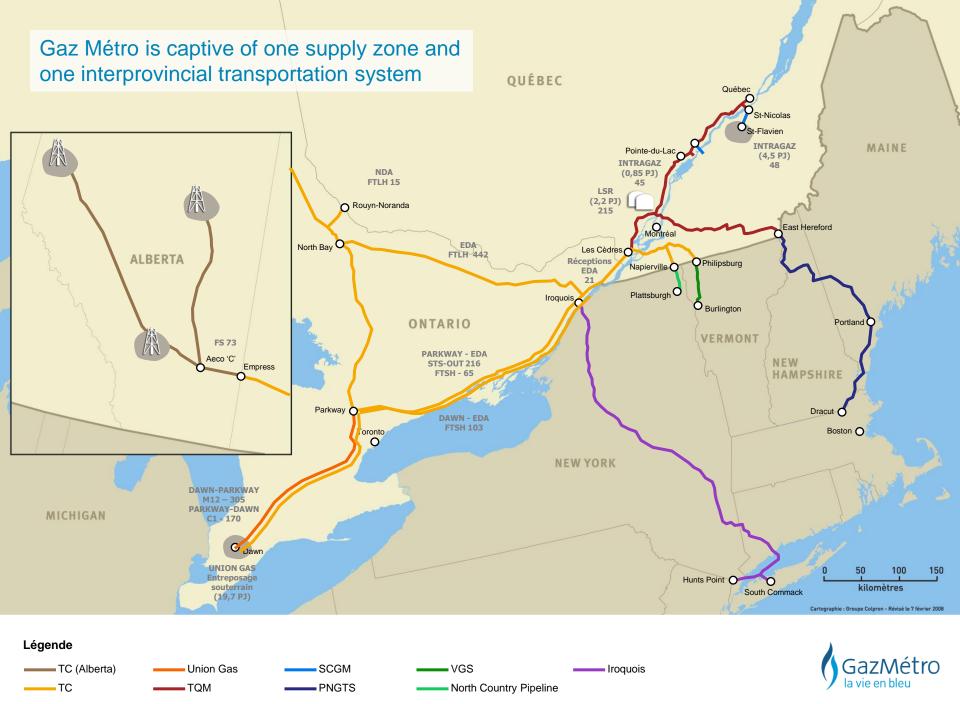
- → Gaz Métro delivers 200 Bcf yearly
  - 45% is system gas
- → Historical value of the market of NYMEX + \$0.40 to \$0.50
- → Comparison with other shale gas production areas:
  - Marcellus basin: NYMEX +\$0.35
  - Haynesville basin: NYMEX + \$0
  - Barnett basin: NYMEX \$0.40
  - Horn River basin: NYMEX \$0.96



### **Shale Gas Bassins**









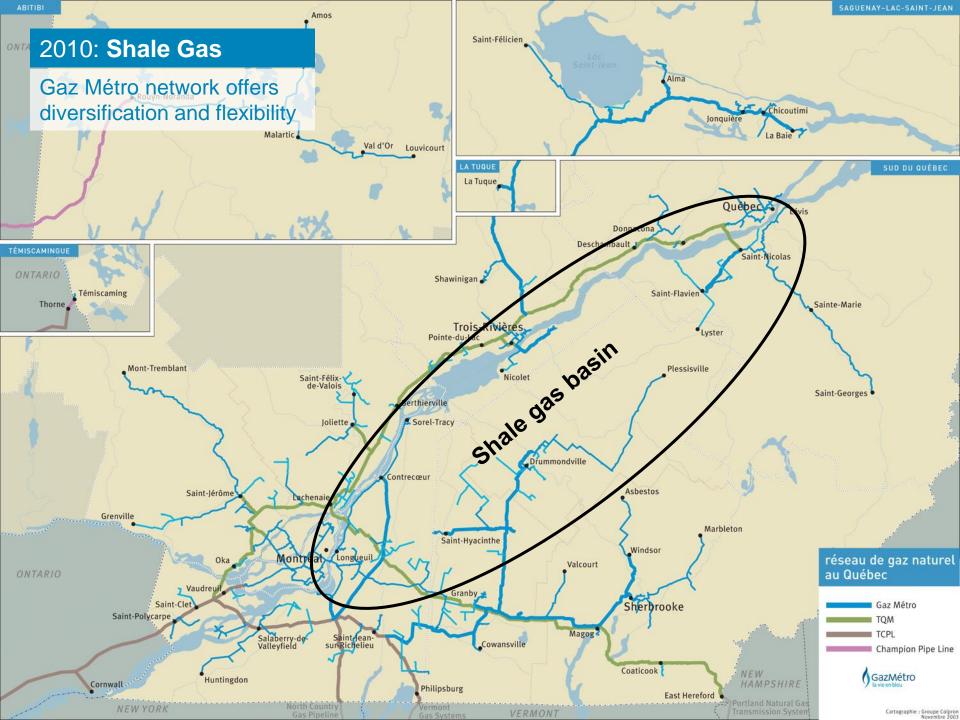
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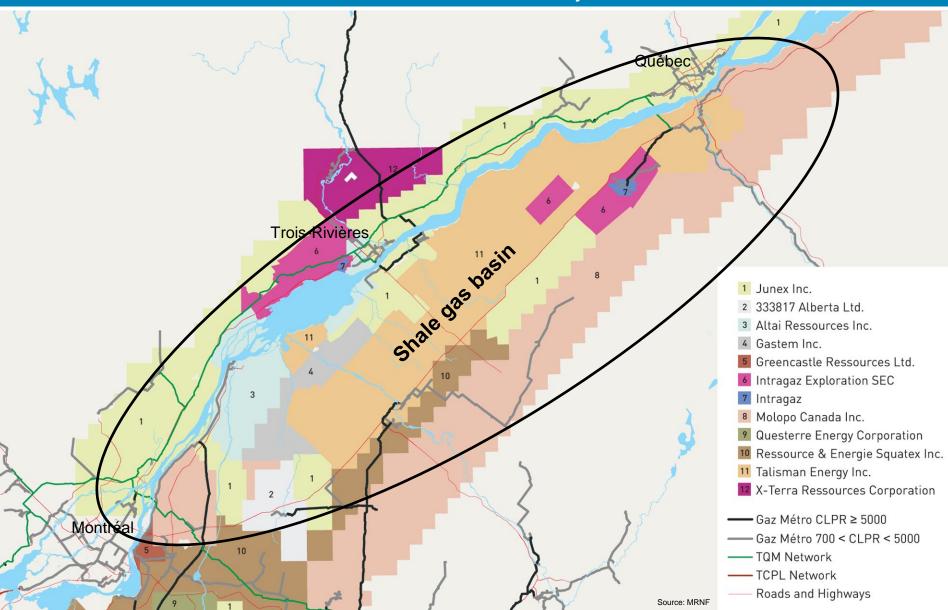




## **Exploration Licences**



#### Gaz Métro network offers diversification and flexibility



# Providing Options to Producers

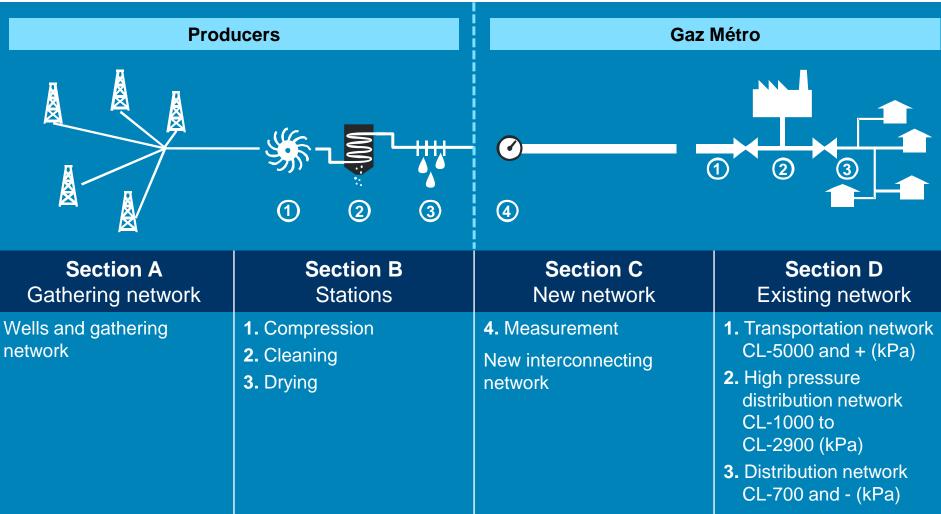


- → Volumes still uncertain but Gaz Métro provides options
  - Depending on producers' desired locations, timing, anticipated increase in volumes, etc.
  - Gaz Métro can provide options for small and large volumes:
    - Can opt for cheaper options, with eventual constraints
       or
    - Can elect to contract for more options even at this stage
- → 3 service options (in accordance with volumes/pressure)
  - 1. Volumes connected to and consumed in regional system only
  - 2. Volumes connected to Gaz Métro transportation system and transiting on TCPL/TQM to re-enter Gaz Métro's franchise
  - 3. Volumes connected to Gaz Métro transportation system and transiting ex-Quebec via TCPL/TQM



### Roles











#### 1. Injection service

- Applicable in all cases
- New lines built to access existing network
- Injection into Gaz Métro's system
- Allows access to producers to all potential buyers in Gaz Métro's franchise, including Gaz Métro itself

#### 2. Transport service

- Applicable in two cases:
  - a) Deliveries from and to points inside Gaz Métro's franchise but requiring capacity on TCPL/TQM network to move gas
  - b) Deliveries **outside Gaz Métro's franchise** via Gaz Métro's transportation network **and** TCPL/TQM network



# 1. Injection Service



- → Tolls to be based on costs incurred for shale gas
  - Applicable in all cases
  - Cost allocated for new facilities
- → Minimum and maximum contracted pressure
- → Postage stamp rate
- → 20 years depreciation
- → Mainly fixed structure

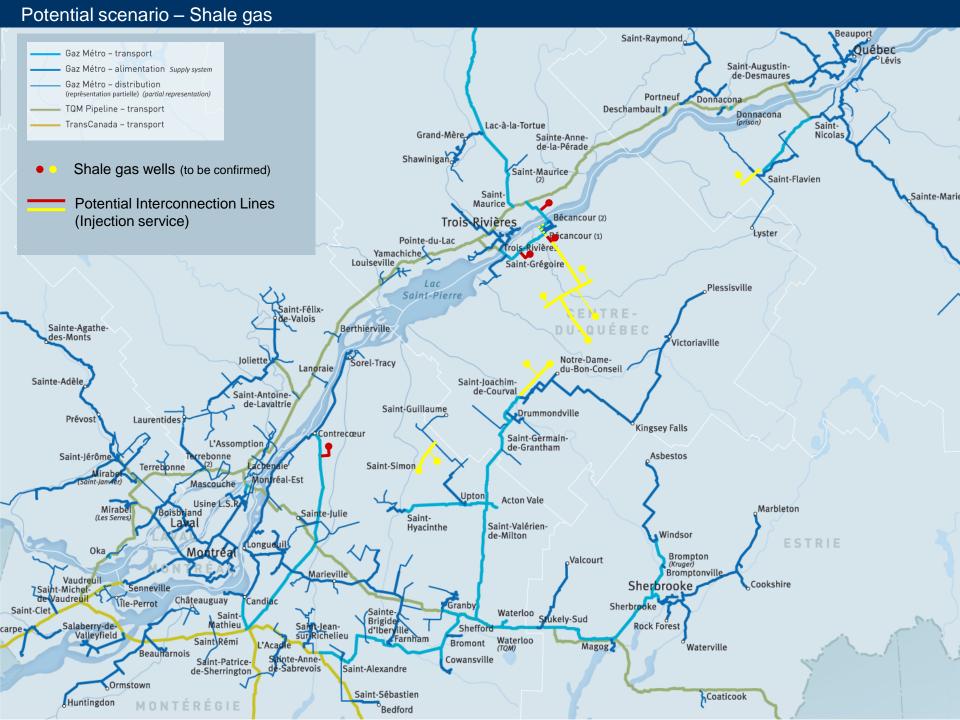


# 2. Transport Service



- → Applicable in 2 cases:
- a) Deliveries from and to points inside Gaz Métro's franchise but requiring capacity on TCPL/TQM network
  - TCPL/TQM toll only if additional capacity is required by Gaz Métro to physically move gas
- b) Deliveries outside the franchise via Gaz Métro's transportation network and TCPL/TQM network
  - Toll for the use of Gaz Metro's existing system
    - Costs allocated between existing customers and producers
  - TCPL/TQM toll for deliveries outside its franchise
    - capacity contracted by producers for deliveries outside Gaz Métro's franchise





## Common Points to be Addressed



- → Any energy project raises questions and issues
- → All stakeholders have a key role:
  - Producers
    - Communicate relevant information about production issues and benefits
    - Contribute actively to the social debate in Quebec
  - Government
    - Obtain information and continue to implement rigorous environmental regulations
    - Oversee producers to ensure respect of all established norms
  - Gaz Métro
    - Support government and producers' efforts
    - Share its expertise and knowledge in gas transportation and distribution in Quebec
    - Provide a path from production to markets



### Gaz Métro's Contribution



- → For a rare occasion, infrastructures are already in place to bring volumes from a new production zone to the market
  - Gaz Métro provides transportation and distribution options
- → Gaz Métro's key elements of success:
  - Financial and administrative discipline
  - Efficiency
  - Transparency
  - Communication
  - Social responsibility in project management and implementation
- → Experience and expertise to manage successfully the required system between the gathering systems and any existing networks



### In Conclusion



- → Natural gas in Quebec will contribute to the diversification of natural gas supplies for Quebec customers
- → Which could help reduce the bill for customers in Quebec
- → Balance point between:
  - Return on investment for producers
  - Low price of the commodity for clients in Quebec
  - Help the competitive position of natural gas and therefore the province's environmental footprint

When producers are ready, Gaz Métro will be ready

