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SALES OF MANUFACTURED AND NATURAL GASJanuary, 1959

Monthly reports of manufactured and natural gas sales previously prepared by the Industry and Merchandising Division will henceforth be compiled and published by the Transportation and Public Utilities Section of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. No changes have been made in concepts and definitions of domestic, industrial, commercial and miscellaneous gas sales are inserted below for reference.

The layout of this report has been altered, however, to provide a provincial analysis of the number of natural gas customers and the revenue from natural gas sales. In previous reports the volume of gas sales only was compiled by province. Manufactured gas statistics are no longer published on a provincial basis because of their diminishing importance. In contrast both the number of natural gas companies and the volume of natural gas sales has been growing.

Total natural gas sales during January, 1959 amounted to 34,021,008 MCF, a 56.6 per cent increase over the January, 1958 level of 21,721,450 MCF. During the same interval the number of customers rose 56.8 per cent, from 665,457 to 1,043,633 while revenue from sales increased by 67.5 per cent, from \$11,802,023 to \$19,764,307. The most significant growth was among industrial sales where a 68.5 per cent increase was realized. Sales to domestic customers, however, continue to constitute the largest portion (92.1 per cent) of total natural gas sales in Canada.

Alberta comprised 48.9 per cent of the total volume of natural gas sales during January of this year although its predominance was less significant than January, 1958 when it accounted for 59.3 per cent of the total. In contrast, sales in Ontario, Quebec and the Atlantic provinces together made up 33.9 per cent of the total during this January, whereas this area constituted only 25.0 per cent during the previous January. This wider distribution of natural gas results from recent pipeline developments. It is interesting to note that domestic sales in eastern Canada now surpass those in Alberta.

Lowest average rates for natural gas are found in the producing provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan where revenue per MCF was \$0.25 and \$0.48 respectively. The highest average rate per MCF of natural gas, \$1.01, was reported for the eastern provinces, reflecting costs of transport.

Manufactured gas sales have dropped 87.3 per cent from 1,361,565 MCF in January, 1958 to 172,528 MCF during the month under review. Revenue per MCF of manufactured gas amounted to \$1.44 during this January, almost two and one-half times the rate for natural gas.

Classifications of Gas Sales

- (a) Domestic - sales of gas for residential use, including house heating.
- (b) Industrial - sales to industrial and manufacturing concerns such as manufacturers of chemicals, machinery, textiles, foodstuffs, as well as foundries, machine shops, wholesale bakeries, commercial laundries, etc.
- (c) Commercial - sales to hotels, restaurants, retail bakers, delicatessens, tailor shops, department stores, wholesale dealers, professional and business offices, etc.
- (d) Miscellaneous - includes all sales not classified above. Does not include sales to other distributing companies.

Table 1

Sales of Natural Gas

	January, 1959			
	Customers	Gas Sold	Revenue	Revenue per MCF
	No.	MCF	\$	\$
Domestic:				
Ontario 1/	646,731	6,465,576	7,945,089	1.23
Manitoba	18,159	405,735	328,041	0.81
Saskatchewan	43,407	1,289,943	825,397	0.64
Alberta	167,832	6,176,707	2,100,287	0.34
British Columbia	85,549	1,170,320	1,370,108	1.17
Canada	961,678	15,508,281	12,568,922	0.81
Industrial:				
Ontario 1/	4,960	3,764,790	2,205,817	0.59
Manitoba	4	183,710	66,991	0.36
Saskatchewan	259	1,075,690	310,003	0.29
Alberta	527	6,654,453	931,593	0.14
British Columbia	104	233,736	111,730	0.48
Canada	5,854	11,912,379	3,626,134	0.30
Commercial:				
Ontario 1/	40,016	1,316,449	1,526,662	1.16
Manitoba	1,831	141,521	105,269	0.74
Saskatchewan	4,376	583,509	292,457	0.50
Alberta	17,421	3,805,907	1,047,882	0.28
British Columbia	12,332	421,597	454,601	1.08
Canada	75,976	6,268,983	3,426,871	0.55
Miscellaneous:				
Ontario 1/	14	393	4,097	-
Manitoba	5	74,221	25,745	-
Saskatchewan	15	5,342	1,896	-
Alberta	56	5,878	13,992	-
British Columbia	35	245,531	96,650	-
Canada	125	331,365	142,380	-
Total Sales:				
Ontario 1/	691,721	11,547,208	11,681,665	1.01
Manitoba	19,999	805,187	526,046	0.65
Saskatchewan	48,057	2,954,484	1,429,753	0.48
Alberta	185,836	16,642,945	4,093,754	0.25
British Columbia	98,020	2,071,184	2,033,089	0.98
Canada	1,043,633	34,021,008	19,764,307	0.58

1/ Includes New Brunswick and Quebec, each of which has less than three companies reporting.

Table 2

Sales of Manufactured Gas

	January, 1959			
	Customers	Gas Sold	Revenue	Revenue per MCF
	No.	MCF	\$	\$
Domestic	31,181	105,395	160,133	1.52
Industrial	443	13,140	18,716	1.42
Commercial	3,116	53,993	68,620	1.27
Miscellaneous	74	-	136	-
Total	34,814	172,528	247,605	1.44

Sales of Natural Gas

January, 1958			Cumulative Totals, 1959		
Customers	Gas Sold	Revenue	Customers	Gas Sold	Revenue
No.	MCF	\$	No.	MCF	\$
n.a.	3,671,352	n.a.			
"	134,963	"			
"	758,417	"			
"	4,662,083	"			
"	640,403*	"			
608,134*	9,867,218	7,626,808			
n.a.	1,079,712	n.a.			
"	82,343	"			
"	745,306	"			
"	5,033,480	"			
"	127,270*	"			
4,095*	7,068,111	1,835,623			
n.a.	671,691	n.a.			
"	128,079	"			
"	387,949	"			
"	3,169,959	"			
"	237,309*	"			
52,793*	4,594,987	2,242,909			
n.a.	7,835	n.a.			
"	662	"			
"	2,500	"			
"	4,762	"			
"	175,375	"			
435	191,134	96,683			
n.a.	5,430,590	n.a.			
"	346,047	"			
"	1,894,172	"			
"	12,870,284	"			
"	1,180,357*	"			
665,457	21,721,450	11,802,023			

* Revised.

Sales of Manufactured Gas

January, 1958			Cumulative Totals, 1959		
Customers	Gas Sold	Revenue	Customers	Gas Sold	Revenue
No.	MCF	\$	No.	MCF	\$
336,639	904,019	952,393			
606	122,268	100,615			
20,856	335,278	327,699			
92	-	1,780			
358,193	1,361,565	1,382,487			



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List of Gas Distributors

NATURAL

New Brunswick

Moncton Electricity & Gas Co., Ltd.

Quebec

Quebec Natural Gas Corporation

Ontario

Beachville Natural Gas Syndicate
Beaver Gas Syndicate
The Central Pipe Line Company, Ltd.
The Consumers' Gas Co.
Coronation Gas Syndicate
Crowland Gas Limited
Dell-Burn Gas Ltd.
H.L. Emerson
Fisherville Gas Company
Grand River Gas & Oil Syndicate
The Grimsby Natural Gas Co., Ltd.
Public Utilities Commission of Kingston
Public Utilities Commission of Kitchener
P.L. Jackson
Jarvis Hereford Farms
Lakeland Natural Gas Ltd.
Medina Gas Syndicate
Northern Ontario Natural Gas Co., Ltd.
Norotto Gas Company Ltd.
Palco & Marr
Patterson & Culver Gas Co.
Provincial Gas Co., Ltd.
Richmount Developments Ltd.
Mr. Frank Roth Estate
Ruegg Gas Syndicate
Andrew & Jesse R. Sider
A.L. Ehde
Star Gas Syndicate
Stevensville Natural Gas & Fuel Co., Ltd.
Twin City Gas Co., Ltd.
Union Gas Company of Canada Limited
United Gas Ltd.
The United Suburban Gas Co., Ltd.

Manitoba

Greater Winnipeg Gas Co.
Inter-City Gas Limited
Plains-Western Gas & Electric Co., Ltd.

Saskatchewan

The Lloydminster Gas Co., Ltd.
Lone Rock Gas Company Ltd.
Royalite Oil Co., Ltd.
Saskatchewan Power Corporation
Unity Gas Supply Co., Ltd.

Alberta

Ajax Alberta Pipeline Ltd.
Asamera Oil Corporation Ltd.
Bonnyville Gas Co., Ltd.
Town of Bow Island
Calgary Power Ltd.
Canadian-Montana Gas Co., Ltd.
Canadian Western Natural Gas Co., Ltd.
Canadian Western Power & Fuel Co., Ltd.
Department of National Defence
Town of Devon
Elk Point Gas Ltd.
Hudson's Bay Oil & Gas Co., Ltd.
Husky Oil & Refining Ltd.
Inland Gas and Oil Co., Ltd.
Madison Natural Gas Co., Ltd.
Corporation of the City of Medicine Hat
Mid-Western Industrial Gas Ltd.
Milk River Gas Company Ltd.
North Canadian Oils Limited
Northland Utilities Limited
Northwestern Utilities Limited
Plains-Western Gas & Electric Co., Ltd.
Redwater Utilities Ltd.
Estate of Mr. R.L. Shaw
Suffield Gas Distributing System
Tilley Gas Company, Ltd.
The Valley Gas Company Ltd.
Wainwright Gas Co., Ltd.

British Columbia

British Columbia Electric Co., Ltd.
Inland Natural Gas Ltd.
Northland Utilities (B.C.) Ltd.

MANUFACTURED

Quebec

Quebec Natural Gas Corporation
Quebec Power Company
Sherbrooke Gas & Electricity

Ontario

Great Northern Gas Co., Ltd.
Peterborough Utilities Commission

Saskatchewan

Central Gas Utilities Ltd.

Alberta

Central Gas Utilities (Vulcan) Ltd.

British Columbia

Vancouver Island Gas Co. Ltd.
British Columbia Electric Co., Ltd.