# Advanced Leak Detection and Emissions Measurement - A System of Things

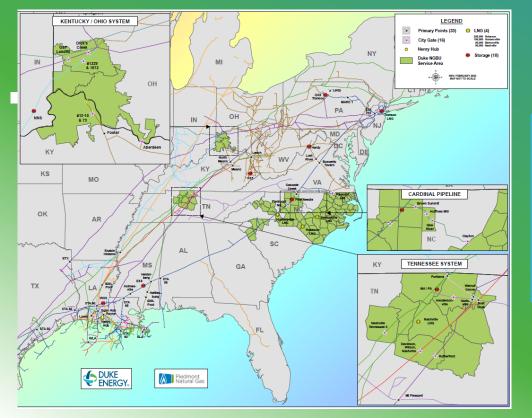
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### The Natural Gas Business at Duke Energy



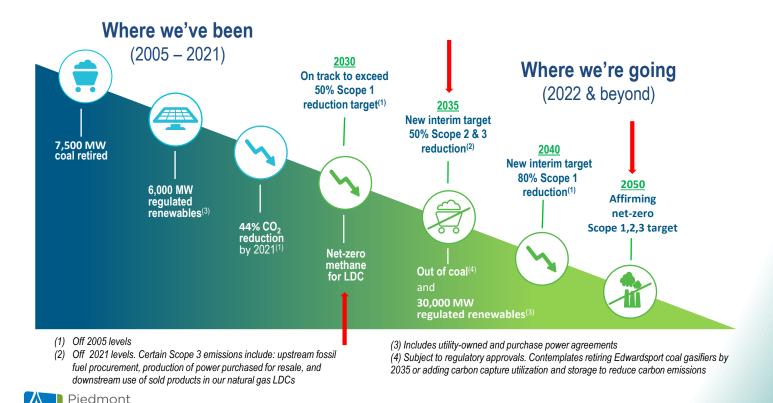
- 1.7 M customers in 5 states
- ~32,000 miles distribution main
- ~2,900 miles intrastate transmission main
- 5 compression stations
- 4 Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) sites
- 2,000+ employees in NGBU

# Measuring Methane Emissions – Why Now?

- Generic, factor-based emissions reporting does not reflect progress on reduction efforts; calls for empirical data based on direct measurement
- Regulatory and legislative efforts
- Customer, community, investor, and employee interest



### Duke Energy's Commitment: The Road to Net-Zero

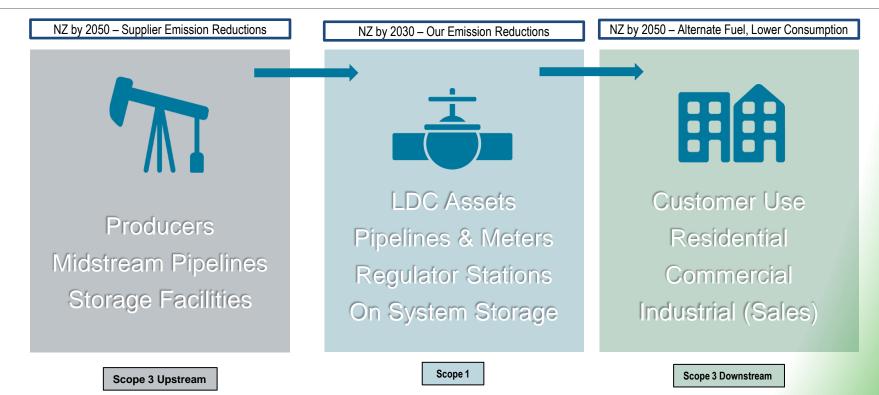


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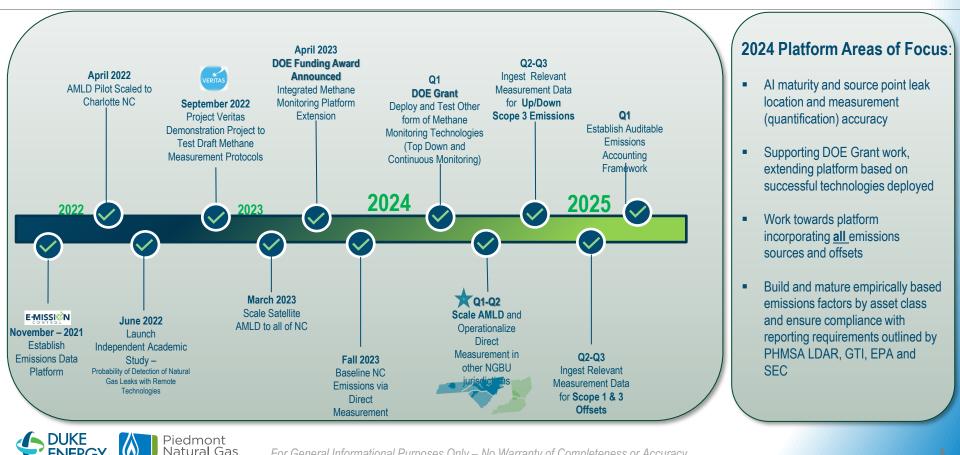
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# The Natural Gas Supply Chain - LDC

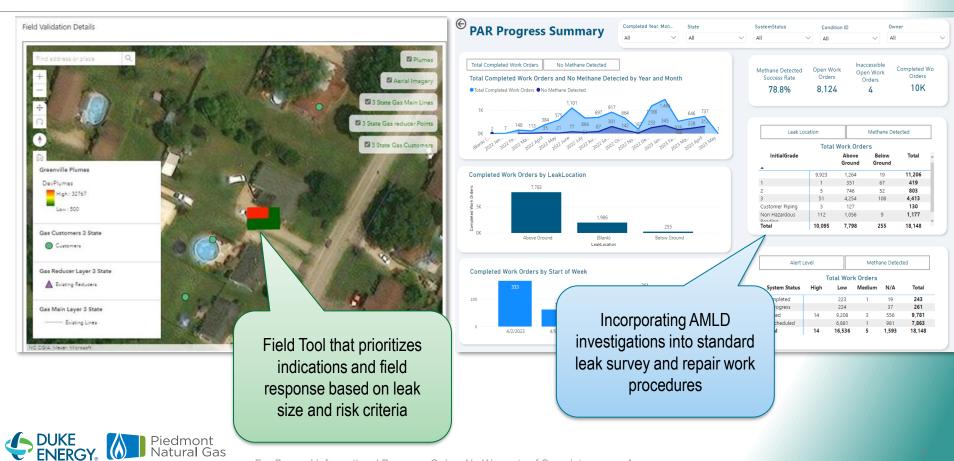




### **Emissions Platform Roadmap**



### PAR ("Pinpoint, Assess, Repair") – Operationalizing ALD Response



### DOE Awards \$1 Million Grant to Piedmont/Duke Integrated Methane Monitoring Platform Extension



#### iM4 Technologies

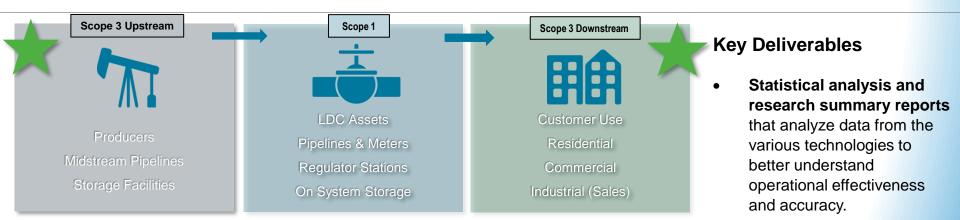
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On March 13, 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announced nearly \$47 million in funding for 22 research projects to advance the development of new and innovative measurement, monitoring, and mitigation technologies to help detect, quantify, and reduce methane emissions across oil and natural gas producing regions of the United States. Methane emissions are the second largest contributor to climate change—only carbon dioxide ranks ahead of methane as a greenhouse gas source. DOE's methane mitigation program addresses critical environmental issues associated with the production, transmission, and storage of domestic oil and natural gas.

The selected projects will help to ensure an efficient, resilient, and leak-tight U.S. natural gas infrastructure and support President Biden's U.S. Methane Emissions Reduction Action Plan<sup>g</sup> and the Biden-Harris Administration climate goal of a net-zero emissions economy by 2050.

Integrated Methane Monitoring Platform Extension (IMMPE) – **Piedmont Natural Gas Company-Duke Energy** (Charlotte, North Carolina) intends to leverage transdisciplinary expertise from academia, natural gas operations, digital, and advanced cloud computing technologies as well as data science to deploy, measure, and analyze methane emissions data. The IMMPE project will allow Duke Energy to close the gap in establishing a methane emissions baseline with direct measurement. The project team will evaluate and select technology to address assets and quantification that have not yet been explored. Upon completion, the IMMPE will offer a standardized framework that would allow others to leverage the approach and extend to upstream components, including midstream transmission and storage and upstream production and gathering. The project supports the goal of creating an industry-wide direct methane measurement standard for quantifying methane emissions through empirical means.

# **DOE Grant - Project Scope**



### Technology Pilots and Data Collection

Piloting **top-down methane-monitoring** technologies such as satellite, UAV's, and LiDAR to detect and quantify emissions.

Piloting **continuous methane-monitoring** technologies using monitoring sensors, gas cloud imaging cameras and handheld/portable gas-sensing analyzers to detect and quantify methane emissions.

Pilot technologies capable of detecting methane downstream of the meter, such as AMI enabled sensors, IoT devices, or other handheld/portable gas-sensing analyzers to detect and quantify methane emissions.





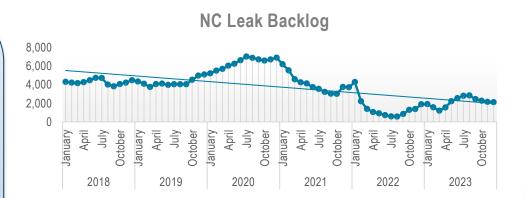
# 2023 ALD Program Accomplishments

#### 2023 AMLD Response Metrics - NC

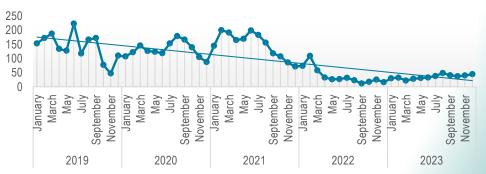
- 13,668 Plumes Investigated
- Ranging 60-80% Methane Detection Rate Note: This dropped from our ~80% detection rate in 2022 due to overlapping captures and responding to plumes where leaks had been repaired
  - Pizza Slice Model will control for this issue
- 7,558 Leak Conditions Created from Plume Investigations
- 792 Successful Leak Repairs on first trip (Find It/Fix It) – Tighten and Grease Repairs
- Maintained an average # of days to repair leaks of 36 days!

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#### Average # of Days to Repair Leaks

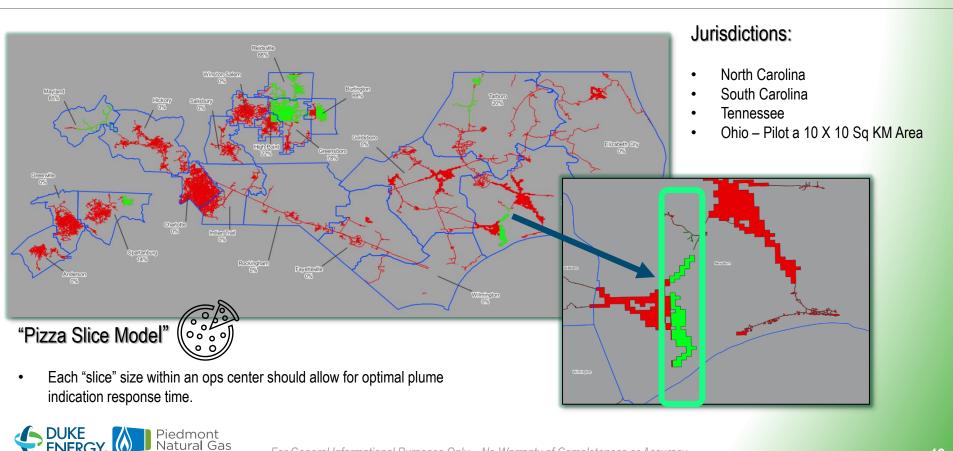


### Satellite Leak Detection – Find It/Fix It

January 8, 2024 Capture



### Satellite Leak Detection Scaling Plan - 2024



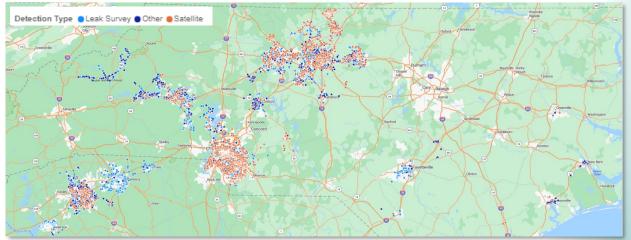
### 2024 Goals

### **Operations Focus**

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- Maximize First Trip Resolution for Leak Repairs
- Assist Customers with Resources to Fix Leaks Downstream of the Meter
- Designing Leaks out of our system
- Regulatory Buy In for Long Term ALD adoption
- Leveraging ALD and change detection for other compliance work types

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### 2024 Priorities

Capture Priority:

- NC/SC
- TN Spring
- OH Q2/3

Plume Investigation Response:

 Target: 10-30 Days

## Avg Days to Repair a Leak:

Target: 40 days

# Questions?

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