

UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP28) and Natural Gas in a Lower-Carbon Future

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#### Williams: critical infrastructure serving our nation's energy needs

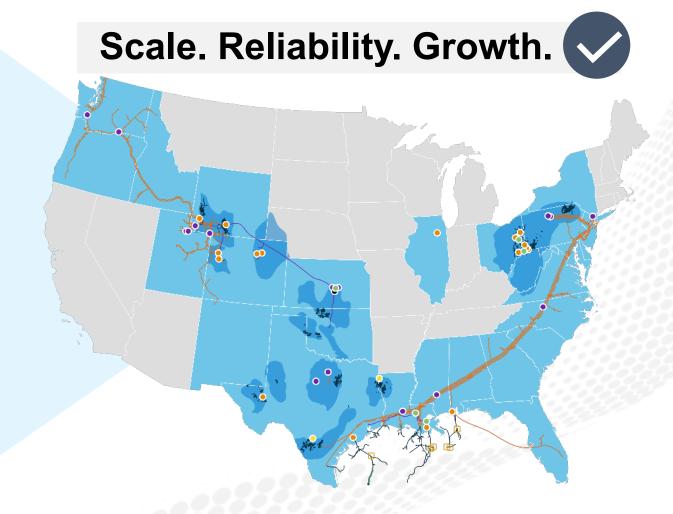
~1/3rd
of U.S. natural
gas production
across 25 states

take-or-pay
contracts serving
High-demand

fee-based
natural gas gathering
& processing serving
14 supply areas

Growing natural

gas storage
capacity, an
increasingly
important piece
of the energy mix



Notes: Statistics as of 12/31/2022 and includes acquired MountainWest assets, which closed on 02/14/2023. Map as of February 2023.

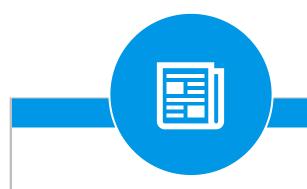
## COP28

- ➤ Panel Discussions/Energy Forums
- ➤ Media Interviews
- ➤ Direct Engagement with U.S. Elected Officials, Global Energy Leaders
- Williams coverage reached an audience of <u>370M</u> for an estimated ad value of \$3.4M.
- A lot of this was driven by Alan's television interview which aired on three CNBC programs (Worldwide Exchange, Last Call and Squawk Box); featured on the homepage of Worldwide Exchange: COP28: Williams CEO on opportunities to utilize natural gas (cnbc.com) and also on their YouTube channel: COP28: Williams CEO Alan Armstrong on opportunities to utilize natural gas YouTube.
- In terms of social, Alan's LinkedIn posts from COP had 51,000 impressions and 4K engagements (likes, shares or comments).

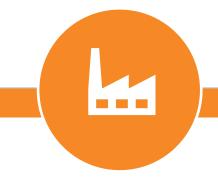




#### COP28: Global recognition that natural gas is key to a lower-carbon future



Media Coverage Not Reflective of the Reality on the Ground

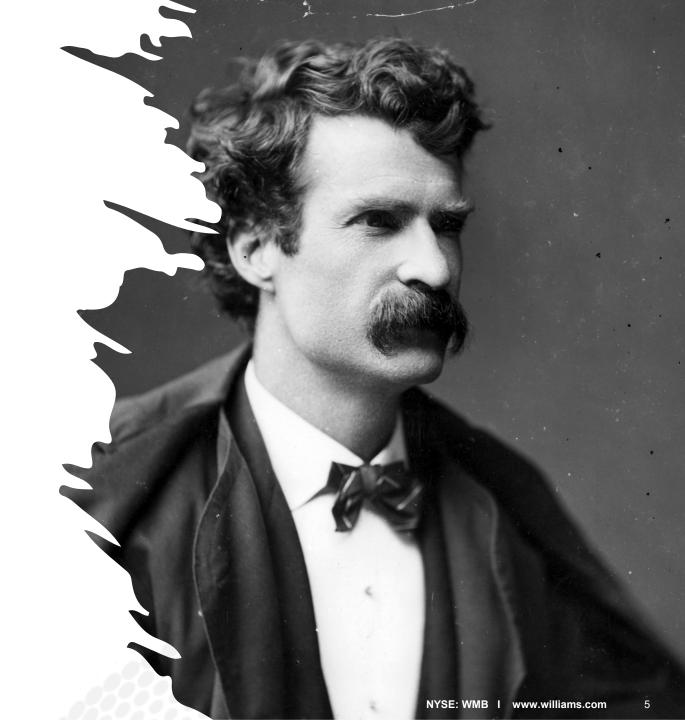


Political Winds are Changing, especially in Europe because of deindustrialization



Industry is Part of the Solution & Necessary Emissions Reductions

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#### **COP28** Reinforces Critical Role of Natural Gas in our Energy Future

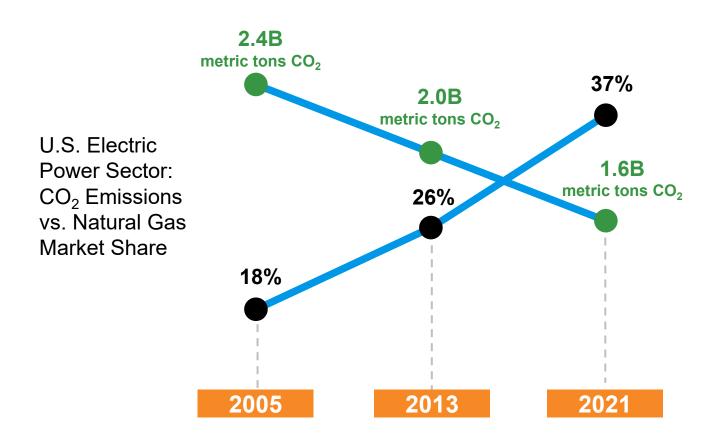
The final text adopted by delegates at COP28 Climate Change Conference serves to reinforce the role of natural gas and LNG in the global energy transition. In particular, the reference to "[Recognition] that transitional fuels can play a role in facilitating the energy transition while ensuring energy security" is a strong pointer to the ability of gas/LNG to provide highly reliable electricity generation as a much lower-emission alternative to coal.

"Equally a reference to 'accelerating efforts towards the phase-down of unabated coal power makes it clear that gas and LNG will be essential to an orderly and just energy transition over coming decades, particularly for emerging economies like many in Asia Pacific." – **Asian Natural Gas and Energy Association** 

Natural gas will play the role of a backup in Australia's course to have 82% renewable power in the electricity grids by 2030; The virtue of natural gas is that [it] can turn on and off real quickly...if you've got gas-fired peakers backing up your 82% renewable system that are only turned on rarely...that is a big step forward for emissions reduction" – *Australia Climate Change and Energy Minister Chris Bowen* 

African countries, many of them low and middle-income developing economies, are negotiating for opportunities to accelerate their fossil fuel production to enable them to industrialise, before reinvesting those gains in green energy sources. At the moment, more than 600 million Africans do not have electricity and about 900 million cannot access clean cooking methods. "We are being sold this dream of renewables but we barely have any investments in it. Gas is the only option available to Africa." – *Former African Union (AU) climate adviser Faten Aggad* 

#### U.S. CO<sub>2</sub> emissions declined with increased natural gas generation



Sources: U.S. Energy Information Administration, December 2022; Environmental Protection Agency Greenhouse Gas Equivalencies Calculator



Natural gas increased to 37% from 18% market share



### Shift to natural gas

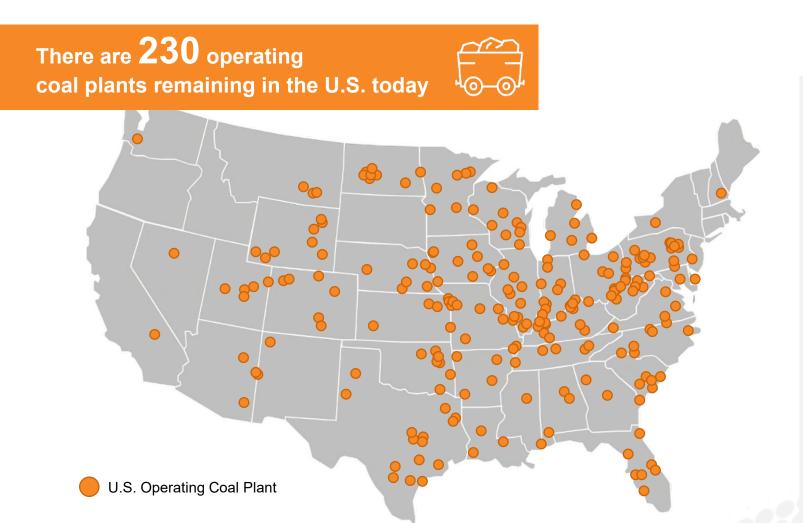
directly responsible for reducing  $\sim 500$  MM metric tons of  $CO_2$  or 60% of the total reduction



Equivalent to removing

**111 million** gasoline-powered vehicles off the road, almost all in the U.S. today

#### Continued opportunity to reduce U.S. emissions by replacing coal with gas



Replacing remaining U.S. coal plants with natural gas generation could:



Cut CO<sub>2</sub> power emissions by

34%

Equivalent to



Removing all U.S. gasoline cars off the road today

Sources: Coal plant data per Wood Mackenzie; Coal and natural gas plants emissions rates and heat rate assumptions per U.S. Energy Information Administration; Metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emitted by a typical passenger vehicle per year per Environmental Protection Agency. As of January 2023.

#### Coal-to-gas switching is critical to reduce emissions worldwide

Replacing global coal with low-cost, abundant U.S. natural gas would drive significant CO<sub>2</sub> emissions reductions



'22 was a **record year** for coal-fired generation across the globe

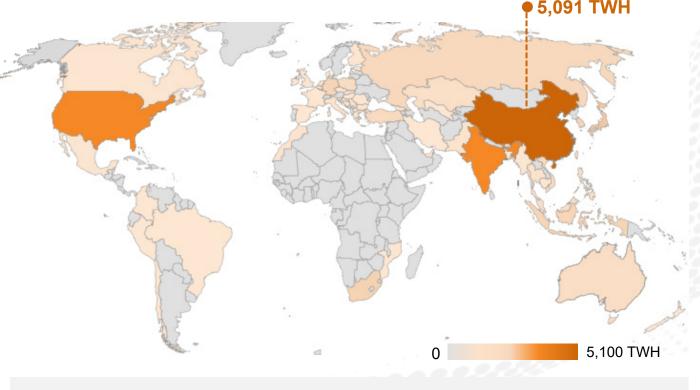


China's coal generation was

~5x that of the U.S. in '22



Forecasts show Chinese coal-fired generation continues to increase



2022 Global Coal Generation Heat Map by Country

Sources: Wood Mackenzie data as of January 2023; International Energy Agency. Note: TWH = Terawatt hour

#### The world needs more energy

Every source of primary energy has been increasing globally



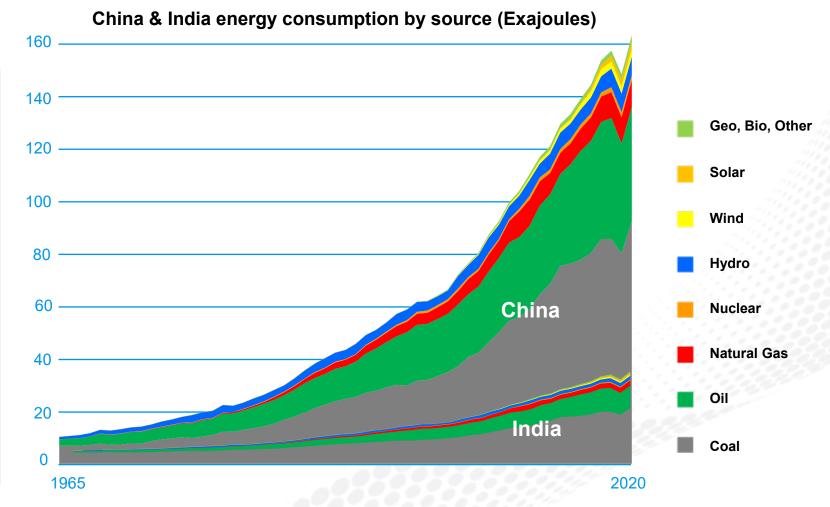
~3 billion people cook using open fires fueled by polluting kerosene, biomass and coal



Each year, ~4 million people die from illness attributable to household air pollution



~17,300 children under age 15 die every day from preventable causes due in large part to a lack of energy



Sources: World Health Organization, BP Statistical View of World Energy (2020)



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