



# Natural Gas and the Green Energy equation

*Direct use of natural gas  
saves energy costs, reduces  
Greenhouse gas emissions*

A recent study\* undertaken by the Gas Technology Institute (GTI) shows that increased direct use of natural gas in homes and businesses will reduce energy consumption, consumer energy costs and national CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. Direct use refers to natural gas space heating, water heating, cooking and clothes drying in the residential or commercial sector.

Natural gas has the reputation of being the cleanest burning of all fossil fuels, and its delivery from the source of production to the site of end use is extremely efficient and environmentally friendly.

The GTI study also affirmed that programs (such as rebate subsidies and/or tax credits) that provide incentives for consumers to use natural gas directly in their homes and businesses result in major cost savings while also lowering carbon output.

Our country is striving to find an affordable energy solution for future generations. Natural gas fits the bill. Not only is it in abundant supply, but also its direct use outshines all other applications in terms of cost and environmental footprint.

\* The study is available at  
<http://www.aga.org/Kc/aboutnaturalgas/consumerinfo/>

