

HYDROGEN DEPLOYMENT IN ALBERTA

NAIT Clean Fuels Awareness Project

**February 2024** 

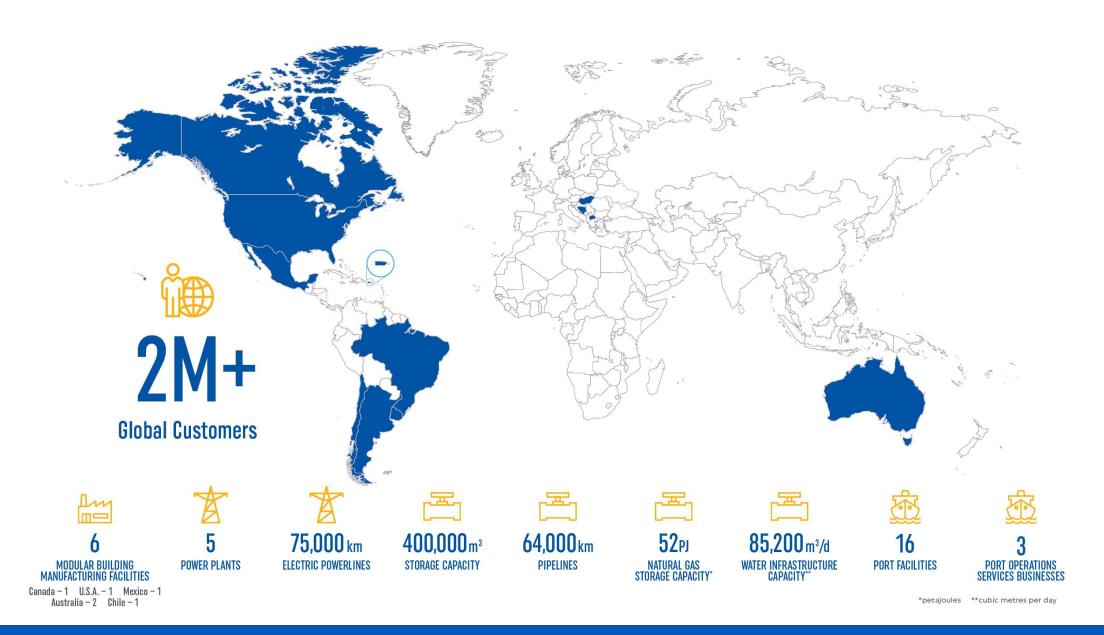




# ABOUT ATCO

# WHO IS ATCOP

We have provided products and services in 100+ countries around the world for over 75 years.



## **ATCO GAS & PIPELINES: A HOUSEHOLD NAME**





proven track record



9,000 KM
of transmission pipeline
41,000 KM
of distribution pipeline



1.3 MILLION 300
Customers Communities



**50 GW** peak delivery

of provincial total



# FORT SASKATCHEWAN BLENDING PROJECT

## **COMBUSTION OF NATURAL GAS AND HYDROGEN**



**Natural Gas Combustion** 

$$CH_4 + 2 O_2 \rightarrow CO_2 + 2 H_2O$$

Methane + Oxygen

Carbon Dioxide + Water



Hydrogen Combustion

$$2 H_2 + 0_2 \rightarrow 2 H_2 0$$

Hydrogen + Oxygen

Water



When burned, H<sub>2</sub> produces only heat and water vapour with **no carbon emissions** 



# FORT SASKATCHEWAN HYDROGEN BLENDING

#### **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

#### **IN FALL 2022**

**2,100 ATCO customers** became the first in Alberta to use a **5**% hydrogen/natural gas blend



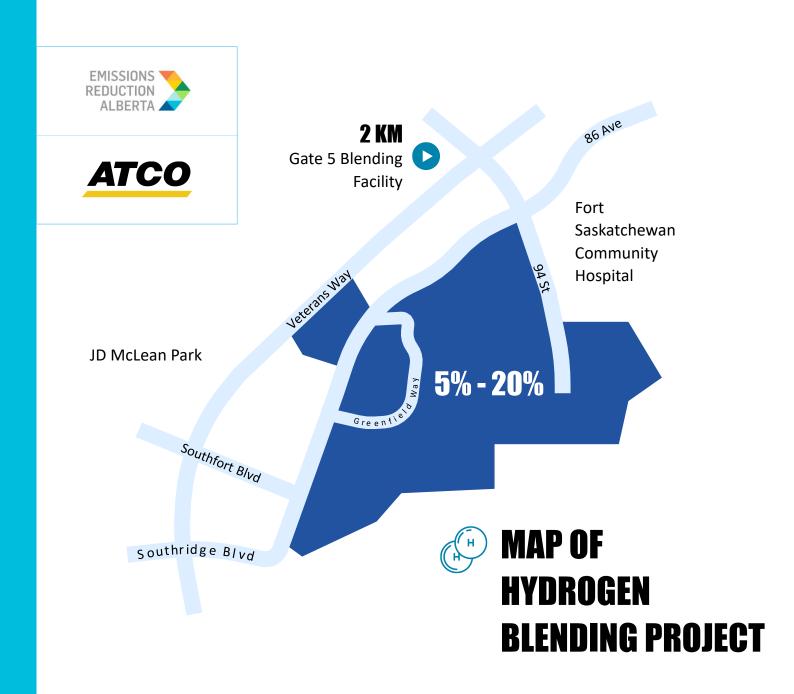
Mostly residential homes



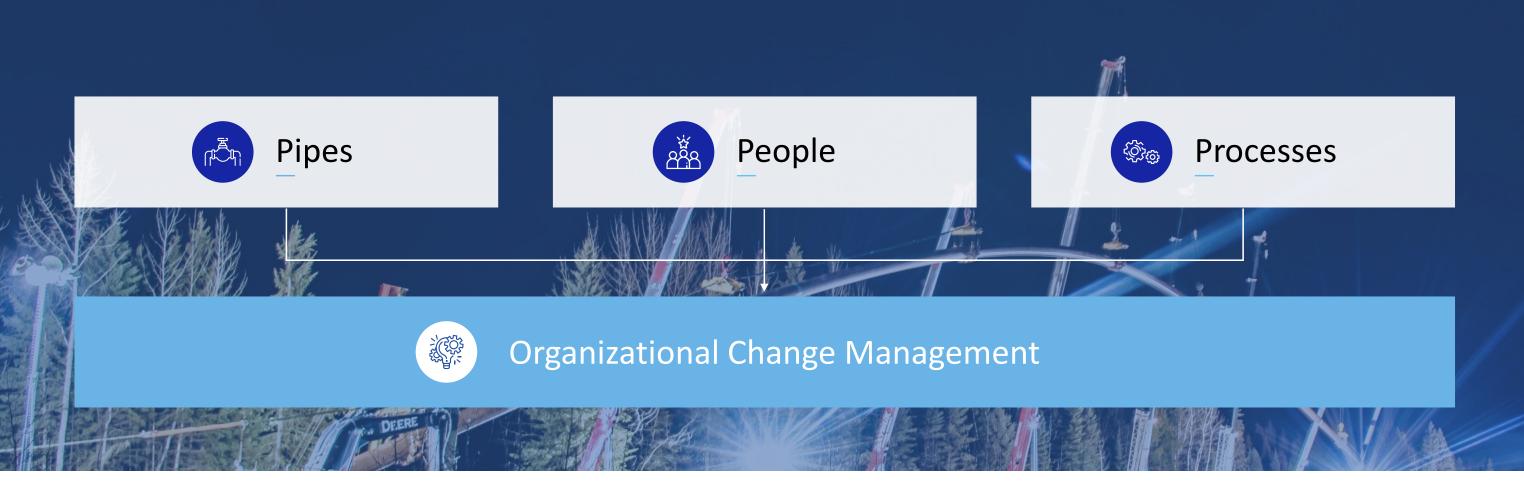
Some small businesses



One school



## **ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGE MANAGEMENT (OCM)**



- Modifications to existing practices & procedures, or
- Confirmation something doesn't need to change

- New tools, equipment, training
- Customer engagement & education programs



# **TECHNICAL CHALLENGES & INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION**



In order to adapt our business and ensure the safety of our customers, ATCO has partnered with several institutions and organizations worldwide for:

- Appliance testing
- Leak detection
- Odorant effectiveness
- Gas stratification

- Risk assessments
- Code gap analysis
- Material impact testing
- Meter compatibility





#### **EDUCATION & ENGAGEMENT**

ATCO has engaged and pursued education of the public and customers through:



Hydrogen Blending Home Inspection (HBHI) Program



SME to develop Clean Fuel Operations Program with NAIT



Assisted SAIT in development of Hydrogen Massive Open Online Course (MOOC)



Collaboration with LAHJ, fire departments, industry associations, local and provincial govt's, regulators, etc.



Open houses and community events



# Over 85% inspection rate for private homes in HBHI program

Almost 1,800 customers Over 5,800 appliances inspected





# FORT SASKATCHEWAN OPERATIONS CENTRE









H<sub>2</sub> and clean energy appliance testing demonstration space



Operating & training centre



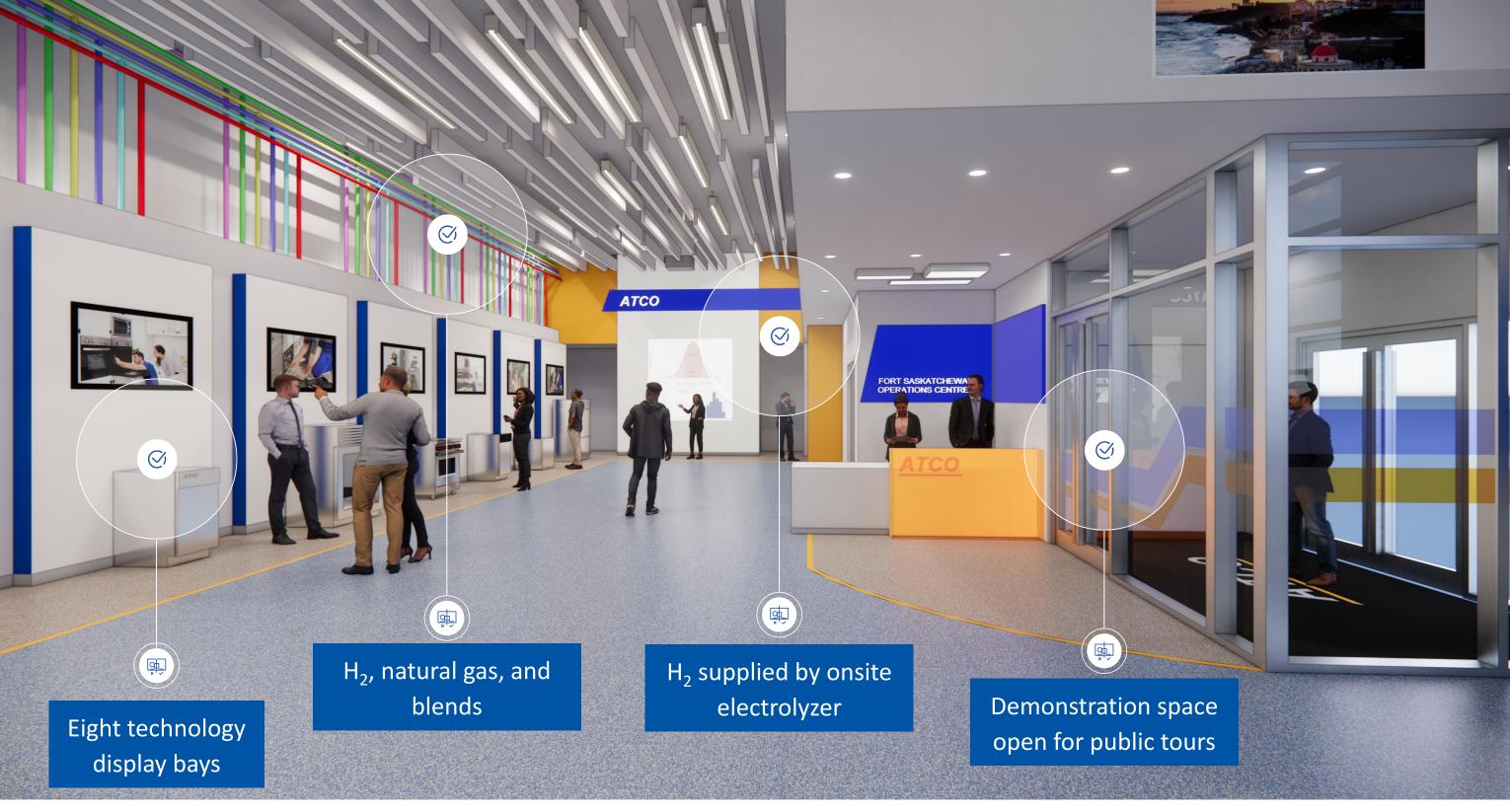
Hosting/testing of novel H<sub>2</sub> production technologies



100% Hydrogen heated (1<sup>st</sup> in North America)



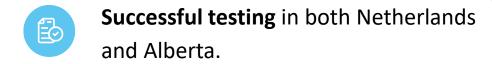
Co-located with Fort Sask Gate 5 blending facility



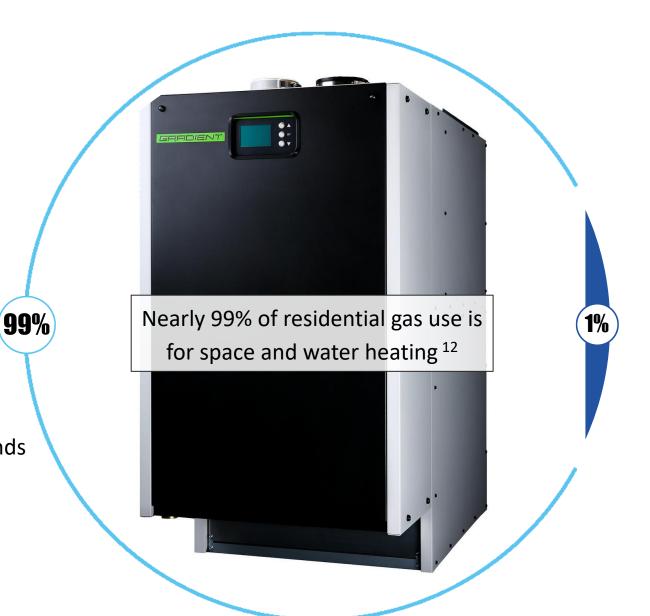
## **END USE APPLIANCES**



ATCO is working with Gradient Thermal, **DNV and Enefen** to design, manufacture and certify a 100% hydrogen forced air furnace and hot water heater.



Refinement underway with fieldcertification planned in 2023.





Other appliances and standards <sup>13,14,15</sup> are available outside the Canadian marketplace

Barbeque

Boiler

Stove/range

Fireplace

























# **BREMNER COMMUNITY & HOME ONE**





ATCO and Qualico will study the use of hydrogen in the community of Bremner



Funding will be used for a Front End Engineering Design (FEED) Study to determine optimal equipment and design choices



A 100% hydrogen heated show home will be built: Home One

## **UTILITY HYDROGEN PROJECTS**

# **Transmission Asset Conversion**

in partnership with TC Energy

#### **Large Scale Blending**

Edmonton Region Hydrogen Blending

#### **Pyrolysis Partnerships**

Trials of early TRL novel hydrogen production technologies

#### **Bremner 100% H<sub>2</sub> Community**

Partnership with Qualico for the largest 100% community

#### Fort Saskatchewan H<sub>2</sub> Blending Project

2,100 customers at a 5%, increasing to 20% in 2024

#### **Blending Demos**

up to 22% blend in Canadian winters

#### 100% H<sub>2</sub> Appliances

Partnership with Gradient Thermal

# Fort Saskatchewan Operations Centre

1<sup>st</sup> 100% H<sub>2</sub> heated building in North America, clean energy demo centre

#### **Home One**

YDROGEN

BLENDING

Pure hydrogen show home, partnership with Qualico



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EDMONTO INTERNATIO AIRPOR

60

**H<sub>2</sub> Production** 

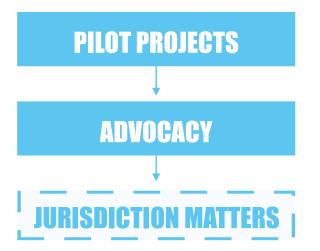
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# **CALL TO ACTION**



Broad awareness of  $H_2$  as a decarbonization pathway



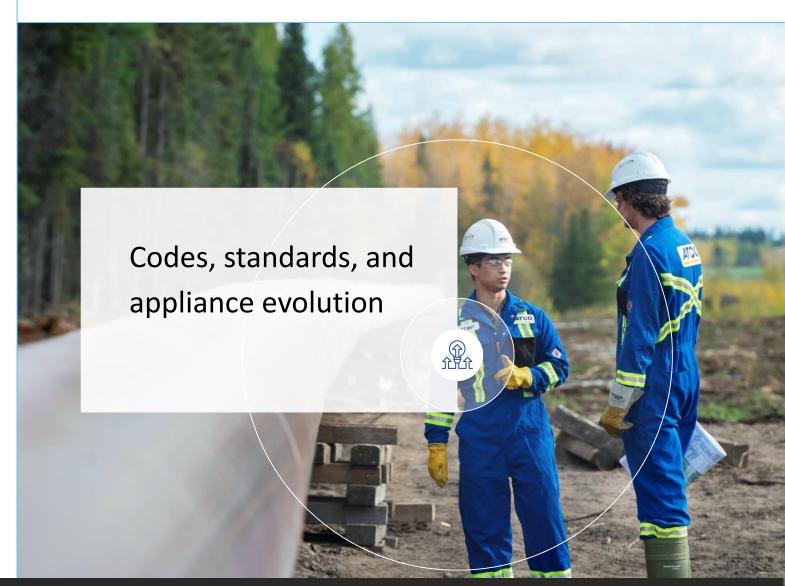


Regulation changes to enable utility investment





Abundant low-carbon hydrogen supply



#### **COLLABORATION**

