

50 YEARS OF IMPACT: REFLECTING ON OUR JOURNEY

With an enviable legacy of innovation growth and achievement, The National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (NGC) approaches a most important milestone - 50 years in the Trinidad and Tobago energy sector. We reflect on our journey and milestones achieved. Born in Trinidad and Tobago, working for Trinidad and Tobago, NGC is shaping the future of energy, using natural gas expertise to drive economic progress, and sustainable national development for a future we want to shape for all of you.

1992-93

Diversifying Upstream Natural Gas Supply

To increase natural gas supply at the time, NGC signed contracts with AMOCO and with ENRON Oil and Gas operating in the South East Coast Consortium (SECC)-licensed area. NGC also signed a contract with British Gas/Texaco for a supply from the Dolphin field. The diversification of the natural gas supply increased security of natural gas supplies for NGC's growing customer base, ensuring the continued stability of the gas-based energy sector.



1992

NGC/NEC Merger

There was a merger between NGC and NEC (now National Energy).



1993

Introduction of Commodity-Linked Pricing

Product-related or commodity-linked pricing was a gas sales contract innovation developed and approved in 1988, and first used in 1993. This mechanism is credited with facilitating the rapid expansion of downstream industry and is considered a critical component of the Trinidad Gas Model of Development.



1994 LABIDCO Is Formed

In 1994, NGC, in a joint venture with Petrotrin, formed the La Brea Industrial Development Company Limited (LABIDCO), to build and manage an industrial site at La Brea. The site was chosen mainly for the natural deep-water harbour at the Port of Brighton.



1993 Metallurgy

In the 1990s, NGC sought to attract companies to pioneer the use of new technologies. NUCOR Corporation, a leading US steel producer, was attracted to Trinidad and Tobago's success in the establishment and operation of natural gas-intensive projects.



In light of this, in 1993, NUCOR built an iron carbide plant, the first attempt to do so on a commercial basis.

1995 Formation of ALNG

Atlantic LNG Company of Trinidad and Tobago (ALNG) was formed in July 1995 as an initiative of NGC and the Cabot Corporation.



1998-99

Expansion of Network

In 1998, AMOCO built two lines: a 40-inch-diameter offshore line from its Mahogany field to Beachfield and a 36-inch-diameter landline from Beachfield to Point Fortin.

NGC purchased the right to transport gas through the offshore line and acquired ownership of the landline. In 1999, NGC built a 36-inch diameter landline from Beachfield to Point Lisas. NGC's personnel carried out the design and construction of the NGC line in-house, and were involved in the design and engineering of the AMOCO lines.

1997-99 First Gas Cooling Application

In 1997, a large commercial centre became the first business in Trinidad and Tobago to use natural gas-fired air-conditioning. In 1999, NGC also installed natural gas-fired air-conditioning equipment at its head office, demonstrating the Company's confidence in this emerging air-conditioning technology.



1999

ALNG Train 1 completed - First LNG Shipment

ALNG Train 1 was heralded as the first Greenfield LNG project to be developed in a small country in the Western Hemisphere in 25 years. In 1999, the country shipped its first LNG cargo.

