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# BGE's STRIDE program

The proven pipeline to a safer, more efficient natural gas system and a more prosperous Maryland economy.

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## What is STRIDE?

STRIDE stands for Strategic Infrastructure Development and Enhancement Plan. It provides incentives for accelerating the modernization of natural gas infrastructure. Replacing the system is vital to avoid critical failures, leaks and customer reliability impacts. The program was signed into law with overwhelming bipartisan support in 2013.

## Why is STRIDE so important, and so urgent?

BGE is on pace to replace aging gas infrastructure through STRIDE by 2042. Without STRIDE, this work is estimated to take 80-140 years. By doing more work sooner and recovering investments as the work is performed, STRIDE works efficiently and transparently to get the job done for customers.

## How is STRIDE working for BGE customers and Marylanders?

### SAFETY AND RELIABILITY

Since 2014, BGE has replaced approximately 300 miles of gas mains and more than 70,000 service pipes. Aging cast-iron, bare steel and copper infrastructure has a higher tendency to leak or cause other safety or reliability issues.

### ENVIRONMENT

Since 2014, pipe replacements reduced the emission of about 4.8 million pounds of methane gas—a major greenhouse gas. When BGE's STRIDE plan is complete, greenhouse gas (GHG)

emissions will have been reduced by 210,000 metric tons per year compared to 2013. That's the equivalent of taking 44,000 cars off the road.

### JOBS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- BGE has invested more than \$1 billion in STRIDE projects since 2014, and will invest more than \$175 million in 2022 to modernize the gas system.
- BGE is partnering closely with minority- and women-owned vendors to achieve a 25 percent diverse spend target.
- BGE's planned STRIDE investments over the next 21 years are estimated to generate \$2.5 billion of total impact on Maryland's economy—while supporting more than 14,700 jobs and more than \$900 million in labor income.\*

## Would STRIDE be even more beneficial on a faster track?

### ABSOLUTELY. HERE'S WHY

- If BGE completed STRIDE modernization plans 25% sooner (by 2035), those investments would create about \$400 million in additional economic impact and \$200 million in additional labor income.\*
- BGE's investments would generate more jobs sooner, supporting the economic recovery in Maryland.\*
- BGE's accelerated investments would reduce greenhouse gas emissions sooner.\*

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