

Grupo Energía de Bogotá to benefit 5 million people in Peru by 2021

- Cálidda, a company of Grupo Energía de Bogotá, expects to have over 45% of the households in Lima using natural gas by 2021
 - The goal for 2017 is to attain 560,000 connections in Peru.
- Over the last 6 years, Cálidda has invested over 450 million dollars, carrying natural gas and quality of life to millions of Peruvians.

Bogotá. D.C. July 4, 2017. Cálidda, a company in which Grupo Energía de Bogotá (GEB) holds an equity share of 60%, will continue to provide massive access to its natural gas connections in Lima and Callao in Peru, in which the company expects to attain 560,000 connections later this year and one million connection by 2021 as a result of its expansion plan intended to benefit over 5 million people.

To this date, the company has attained some 450,000 connections, reaching a penetration rate of 58.7%, with an impact over 2 million people, who are already enjoying a cheaper and safer fuel that is not only modern but ecofriendly. Similarly, 236,000 vehicles have been converted to natural gas vehicles only in the capital of Peru, with a penetration of 12% in this sector.

This rapid advance was only possible as a result of the very ambitious natural gas expansion plan undertaken alongside the Peruvian government, which includes the Energy Social Inclusion Fund (FISE), which is purported to provide massive access to the service, generating development and a better quality of life in the families of Lima and Callao.

Currently, Cálidda holds a 33-year concession to design, build and operate the natural gas distribution system in the department of Lima and the Constitutional Province of El Callao in Peru. Also, Cálidda is at the forefront in the provision of this public service in Peru, with an investment of over 450 million dollars during the last six years.

“We want to become Latin America's leading group in energy development for large cities and consolidate the company as an enabler of urban energy solutions in the region, developing and operating the infrastructure needed to handle the electric energy and natural gas demands in our cities. Today we greatly contribute to improving the quality of life of millions of Peruvians, thanks to the transportation of natural gas. Our objective is to reach a lot more people” said Astrid Álvarez, president of Grupo Energía de Bogotá.

Likewise, Cálidda has provided free connection to the natural gas service for over 600 welfare kitchens distributed along 16 districts of Lima as a part of its Corporate Responsibility Program “Cálidda Kitchens”.

About Grupo Energía Bogotá

Grupo Energía de Bogotá (GEB), led by Empresa Energía de Bogotá, is a joint stock company listed in the Colombian Stock Market, whose main purpose is the generation, transmission, distribution and marketing of energy, gas and liquid fuels in all of their forms.

Today, Grupo Energía de Bogotá is the region's main Multi-Latin company of electric energy and natural gas with presence in Colombia, Peru, Guatemala and Brazil. Acting as a “strategic connector”, focused on three Business Groups:

- Urban Energy Solutions, seeking to develop and operate the infrastructure needed to meet the demand of electric energy and natural gas of big cities;
- Interconnection for Market Development, business unit in charge of connecting energy generation sources with consumer's megacenters and big users; and
- Low-Emission Generation, seeking new opportunities in renewable energies in countries undergoing a transition from the energy matrix to this sustainable generation low-emission source.

About Cálidda

Cálidda is a Peruvian company, subsidiary of Grupo Energía de Bogotá, holder of a 33-year concession to design, build and operate the natural gas distribution system in the department of Lima and the Constitutional Province of El Callao in Peru. Cálidda is a pioneering company in the provision of this public service in Peru, thus, contributing to improving the living standards of the population, while preserving the environment.

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