

Grupo Energía de Bogotá promotes the use of clean energies

Bogotá D.C. August 18, 2017. Grupo Energía de Bogotá (GEB) wishes to put in place a new strategy in order to tackle the upcoming changes in the electric energy and natural gas sector, through the expansion of its offer of services to promote sustainable development and improve the citizens' quality of life as they breath a less-polluted air.

Therefore, GEB is promoting the use of clean energies with a commitment to electric-driven transportation and the massive use of natural gas vehicle, a strategy that is being developed, mainly, in the cities of Lima and Bogotá.

In Lima, the installation of gas stations and bus and vehicles loading stations is underway. A fleet of 600 buses of Metropolitano (the massive transportation system of this capital) has been connected, and over 225,000 vehicles have been converted and serviced in 240 Natural Gas Vehicle stations (NGV). In this city, the use of this fuel has already a share of 12 per cent.

Likewise, Cálidda, a subsidiary company of GEB in Peru, recently launched the campaign "Breathing quality of life", which took place in the Metropolitano central station and is aimed to raise awareness about air breathed in Lima, and show how pollution affects health.

It is also important to point out that, through Cálidda and Contugas, GEB Peru manages 71 per cent of the total natural gas supply in Peru.

On the other hand, over 32,000 vehicles are driven by NGV in Bogotá. In addition, there is an active participation in the regulation to prepare the city for a new generation in the sector of electric buses and natural gas.

Also, we work in this city to encourage the transportation using NGV; for this reason, Transportadora de Gas Internacional (TGI), a subsidiary company of GEB, as well as Ecopetrol and Gas Natural Fenosa (a company where the Group has a share interest of 25%), joined efforts and signed an agreement with the purpose of promoting the use of the said fuel in massive transportation vehicles.

Astrid Álvarez, the President of GEB, outlined that *"within the Group, we are promoting solutions in massive transportation, by helping reduce emission rates and improving quality of life, so, we are looking for new opportunities of cleaner energies that might be at the forefront in the transformation of cities"*.

As a token of its commitment to the environment and a reduced carbon footprint, fifty-six solar panels of high efficiency are actually implemented by GEB in its principal location, which has generated CO2 savings equivalent to 625 trees as from its installation in 2015.

With all this work, the Group will try to consolidate as a strategic connector in the modernization of public services to live in a more sustainable city and expand better practices to the main Latin American cities. Some European countries are leaders in this kind of topics, and one of them is Norway, which has the highest number of electric vehicles per citizen in the world, and whose goal is to reduce CO2 emissions by 40% by 2030.

About Grupo Energía Bogotá

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

Grupo Energía de Bogotá is the main Multi-Latin electric energy and natural gas company of the region with presence in Colombia, Peru, Guatemala and Brazil, and is focused on three Business Groups: **Urban Energy Solutions**, which focuses on developing and operating the infrastructure required to meet the electric power and natural gas demand in large cities. **Interconnection for Market Development**, which is responsible for connecting power generation sources with large consumption centers and large users and **Low Emission Generation**, which focuses on seeking for new opportunities in renewable energies in countries leading the transition of the energy matrix.

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