

Press Release

Individual Gas Heating and Hot Water Supply:

A ~~Soultion~~ Solution for Energy Conservation and More ~~Effectiv~~ Efficient Use of Energy

(~~Hong Kong~~, 1 September 2005, ~~Suzhou~~) ~~Hong Kong~~ and China Gas Company Limited (~~Hong Kong~~-Towngas) and Hong Kong & China Gas Investment Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of ~~Hong Kong~~ Towngas, are jointly organising a Seminar on ~~Practie~~*the Application of Individual Gas Heating and Hot Water Supply* in Suzhou to promote wider use of this energy-efficient heating system.

“The use of the latest gas combi-boilers capable of supplying individual gas heating not only fits in well with the government’s policies on ~~the~~ more ~~effective-efficient~~ use of energy for energy conservation and on reforming the heat supply mechanism,” said Alfred ~~W K~~ Chan, Managing Director of Towngas, “it also represents a quest for a warm, comfortable and quality ~~style of living~~lifestyle as well as a marketing trend for both real estate developers and gas companies. It is our aim to capitalizse on the latest market trend and contribute our share in promoting energy conservation and the ~~more efficient~~ use of ~~more-effective~~ energy for domestic purposes through the use of individual gas heating supply systems.”

Approximately 300 representatives, including ~~representatives from~~ real estate developers, architectural academies and manufacturers of gas combi-boilers from all across the country ~~attended~~ ~~are attending~~ ~~will attend~~ the seminar ~~--~~, ~~which is~~ the first of its kind ever held by members of the profession in the ~~m~~Mainland. A *Practical Guideline for ~~Devising~~the Application of Individual Gas Heating Supply*, ~~jointly~~ ~~jointly compiled~~ ~~compiled~~ by ~~the~~ North China Municipal Engineering Design & Research Institute and ~~the~~ China National Engineering Research Center For Human Settlements, ~~will~~ ~~also be~~ presented during the seminar.

In recent years, the ~~M~~mainland government has been introducing a phased

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individual measurement scheme for gas heating consumption. As a result, the potential of gas combi-boilers capable of supplying both gas heating and hot water ~~supply have has~~ attracted a great deal of attention. In 2004, the market share of individual gas combi-boilers represented 21% of the nation's heating equipment market, and it is estimated that the number of gas combi-boilers sold will increase to approximately 410,000 units in 2008. ~~more than double from~~ ~~from the~~ 200,000 units sold in 2004.

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By staging this seminar, ~~Hong Kong~~ Towngas and Hong Kong & China Gas Investment Limited aim to foster exchanges between members of the profession and to promote energy conservation in residential buildings by giving members of the public a better understanding on the latest market trends in ~~multi-functional gas-fired heaters~~ ~~gas combi-boilers~~ as well as the latest ~~endeavours for~~ ~~advances in~~ energy conservation in residential buildings.

The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited

Founded in 1862, The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas) was the first public utility company in Hong Kong. With a pipeline network of over 3,000 kilometres and an 85% economic reach, the Company supplies town gas to over 1.5 million customers in the territory. Its core business comprises production and distribution of gas, marketing of gas and appliances and comprehensive after-sales services. In recent years, Towngas has diversified into various green businesses including LPG filling stations and the utilisation of landfill gas.

Since 1994, Towngas has actively developed city piped gas businesses across the mainland ~~through its wholly owned subsidiary Hong Kong & China Gas Investment Limited, and I, and it is also~~ involved in an LNG receiving terminal and a number of midstream projects.

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daily operation and management of Towngas' joint venture companies and wholly-owned projects in Mainland China. Hong Kong & China Gas Investment Limited is a sizable, market-oriented energy enterprise with more than 30 joint ventures and wholly-owned projects across the mainland, including eastern, central, northern and northeastern China, Guangdong and Shandong province, providing residential, industrial and commercial customers with a safe and reliable supply of gas, delivering caring, competent and efficient services, while working to preserve, protect and improve the environment.

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