



Flaring and Venting in British Columbia


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Quick facts for BC

- Oil and Gas Commission
 - Independent Regulatory Agency
- Gas Prone Province
- Wells Drilled
 - Total = 18,500
 - 2005 year = 1,426
- 2005 Production
 - Gas 27,854 10⁶ m³
 - Oil 1,750 10³ m³




History of Flaring in BC

- All flaring applications were reviewed and approved.
- Renewed interest in flaring with EUB Guide 60 release
- 1999-2003 studied flaring issues in BC
- 2004 Levelton Consultants were contracted to provide MEM and OGC w/ recommendations for developing a flaring reduction strategy
- 2006 Levelton and Chinook Engineering contracted to develop guidelines



Going Forward


- Guideline development is split into two projects
- Draw heavily from Guide 60
- Engage CAPP, Large producers and other Gov't agencies during development
- OGC likes consensus-based approach
 - committee to be struck in future
- Guidelines developed by next year

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Flaring Vision

- Reduction in the quantity of flared gas per unit production – all sources
- Flaring hierarchy - cornerstone to Provincial reduction strategy
 - Eliminate, Reduce, Improve efficiency



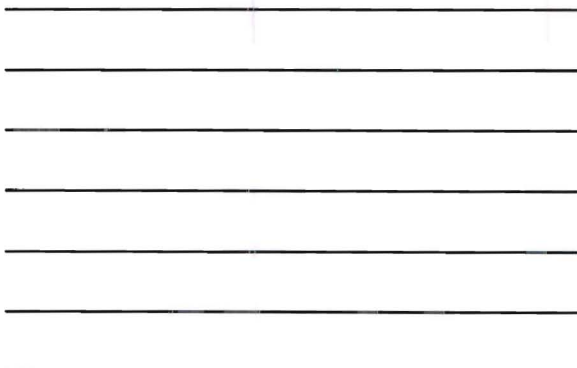
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Annual Flared Volumes by Type

Legend:

- Solution Gas (E6 m3)
- UBD (E6 m3)
- Gas Plant (E6 m3)
- Well Test (E6 m3)
- Gas Gathering (E6 m3)
- Total (E6 m3)

Year	Solution Gas (E6 m3)	UBD (E6 m3)	Gas Plant (E6 m3)	Well Test (E6 m3)	Gas Gathering (E6 m3)	Total (E6 m3)
1996	180	280	180	70	40	650
1997	320	350	200	90	30	990
1998	150	300	150	100	30	630
1999	230	230	80	80	30	650
2000	230	230	80	80	30	650
2001	220	220	80	80	30	630
2002	210	210	80	80	30	600
2003	240	240	80	80	30	670
2004	240	240	80	80	30	670
2005	200	200	80	80	30	590



Annual Flaring Data								
Year	Solution Gas 10 ⁶ m ³	Well Test 10 ⁶ m ³	UBD 10 ⁶ m ³	Gathering 10 ⁶ m ³	Plants 10 ⁶ m ³	Total 10 ⁶ m ³	Oil Prod 10 ⁶ m ³	Soln Gas Prod 10 ⁶ m ³
1996	182.3	71.1	0	40.6	22.7	316.7	2206	142.2
1997	198.5	93.5	0	26.4	29	347.4	2525	681
1998	145.8	99.1	0	23.6	35.7	304.2	2670	1700
1999	87.8	82.8	0	20.5	33.7	224.8	2338	1629
2000	74.9	86.7	11	23.5	30.6	226.7	2568	1638
2001	59.7	87.3	25.7	10.2	35.4	218.3	2569	1558
2002	49.1	63.8	38	15.3	35.7	201.9	2426	1251
2003	48.7	70.7	84.4	12.4	31	247.2	2203	1213
2004	33.9	72.4	89	14	35	244.3	2015	1182
2005	32.5	45.5	63.8	18.1	36	196.9	1750	1085

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Current Issues	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Federally regulated gas plantsLack of accurate baseline flaring data<ul style="list-style-type: none">Reporting non-complianceMulti-jurisdictional reportingUnder-balanced drillingCurrently no incentives for conservation of flared solution gasDatabase system undergoing changes to accommodate flare reporting	

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