

Gas Sales Volume September and First Half Year

20 October 2004
Osaka Gas Co., Ltd.

First Half Year from April to September

Residential Gas Sales:

Monthly gas sales per household was decreased by 8.4 % from the same period last year due to the higher temperature causing less demand in residential hot water.

The residential gas sales fell 7.8 % to 830 million m3 over the previous year.

Non-residential Gas Sales :

In industrial sector, the gas sales volume increased because of our efforts for market share increase.

In commercial sector, the sales volume rose because of strong demand for air conditioning due to higher temperature in the summer than the same period last year, in addition to our efforts for market share increase.

Non-residential gas sale increased 6.5 % to 2,793 million m3 over the previous year.

Total Gas Sales :

September

Residential Gas Sales:

The residential gas sales fell 4.0 % to 88 million m3 over the previous year.

Non-residential Gas Sales :

In industrial sector, the gas sales volume increased because of our efforts for market share increase.

In commercial sector, the sales volume rose because of strong demand for air conditioning due to higher temperature in the summer than the same period last year, in addition to our efforts for market share increase.

Non-residential gas sale increased 4.1 % to 519million m3 over the previous year.

Total Gas Sales :

Cumulative Gas Sales Volume (1m3=45MJ)

		Sep-04	Sep-03	Change (%)	FY2004 Apr. - Sep.	FY2003 Apr.-Sep.	Change (%)	
Number of newly build houses		11,081	12,028	92.1%	52,104	55,891	93.2%	
Number of Customers	Residential	6,334	6,272	101.0%	-	-	-	
	Non-residential	318	316	100.7%	-	-	-	
Total	(1,000 households)	6,652	6,588	101.0%	-	-	-	
Gas Sales (1,000m3)	Residential	88,294	91,943	96.0%	830,380	900,362	92.2%	
	Non-residential	Industrial	346,651	324,911	106.7%	1,925,384	1,827,498	105.4%
		Commercial	110,199	111,211	99.1%	560,539	521,251	107.5%
		Public and Medical	61,963	62,416	99.3%	306,921	274,577	111.8%
	Total		518,813	498,538	104.1%	2,792,844	2,623,326	106.5%
	Total		607,107	590,481	102.8%	3,623,224	3,523,689	102.8%
Wholesales		24,040	13,423	179.1%	125,460	76,436	164.1%	
Total		631,147	603,904	104.5%	3,748,684	3,600,125	104.1%	
Monthly gas sales per household (m3/month)		15.7	16.5	95.4%	24.6	26.9	91.6%	