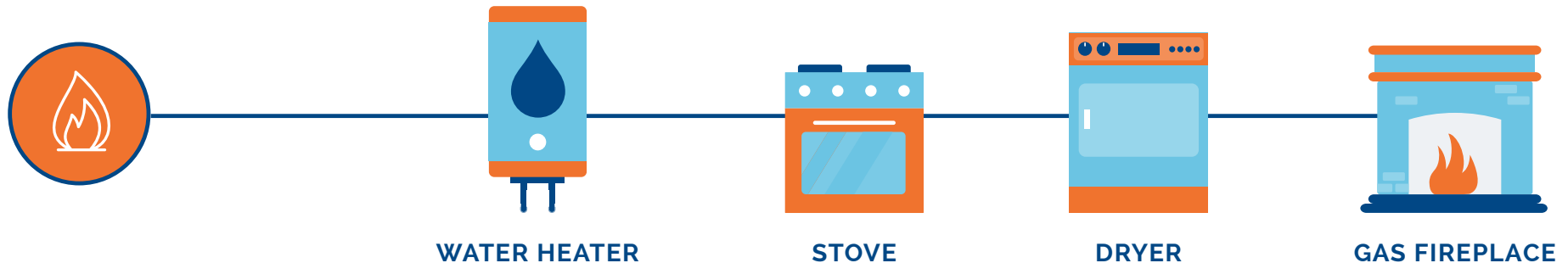


# Direct Use of Natural Gas



## Reliable, Efficient and Affordable Energy

Natural gas is used directly in many homes and businesses across the country. Families rely on natural gas to heat their homes and water, dry their clothes and cook their food. With its growing domestic supply and safe, reliable and efficient delivery system, natural gas is an affordable energy solution for families and business that will help address environmental goals.



## BENEFITS OF DIRECT USE OF NATURAL GAS



### Consumers

- Save an average of **\$874 ON ANNUAL ENERGY COSTS**.<sup>1</sup>
- Prefer natural gas to electric for **SPACE AND WATER HEATING, COOKING AND CLOTHES DRYING**.<sup>2</sup>
- Enjoy access to **EFFICIENT ENERGY SOLUTIONS YEAR-ROUND**.



### Businesses

- Have access to a **LOW-COST ENERGY SOURCE** that allows them to be competitive in the market—both domestically and abroad.
- Depend on natural gas as a reliable and resilient energy source year-round—**INCLUDING DURING NATURAL DISASTERS AND EMERGENCIES**.



### Environment

- The production and delivery of natural gas into homes and buildings is **3X MORE EFFICIENT** than grid-delivered electricity.<sup>3</sup>
- Homes powered by natural gas are responsible for about **ONE-THIRD FEWER GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS** than a comparable all-electric home.<sup>4</sup>
- Direct use of natural gas in homes has **CONTRIBUTED TO EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS NATIONWIDE**.