# Methane Emissions Mitigation and Ancillary Equipment



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## EnCana Oil and Gas (USA) Inc

- Colorado
  - Piceance Basin
  - DJ Basin
  - A Paradox Basin
- Wyoming
  - Jonah
  - Wind River
  - 6 Green River

- Texas
  - Ft. Worth Basin (Barnett Shale)
  - Permian Basin
  - Maverick Basin
  - 6 East Texas



## **Corporate Policy**

- Environmental innovation part of corporate policy
- Two new funds started in 2007
  - EnCana's Environmental Innovation Fund
  - Energy Efficiency Fund
- Millions of dollars available
  - Research
  - Pilot Project
  - Technology Development



## **Current Technologies**

- Replace high-bleed with lowbleed pneumatics on separators
  - Over 800 low-bleeds installed in South Piceance and Paradox basins
  - Internal CO policy; all new separators will come w/low bleed pneumatics
- Instrument Air Packages
  - Installed 22 air compressors at our midstream facilities
  - Replaces pneumatic gas

- Artificial Lifts
  - Installed over 2,100 plunger lifts since 2004
  - Installing gas lift lines in our Parachute Creek Ranch
  - Gas lift pilot projects in each or our 4 CO fields
- Green Completions
  - Accounts for over 95% of total methane reductions



#### **Current Technologies**

- Replace gas actuated pumps with solar
  - New policy to install only solar chemical pumps where feasible
  - Replaced 17 pumps in our South Piceance operations
  - Replaced 28 pumps in our Paradox Basin
  - Over 500 to go in Colorado
  - Total gas savings when complete: 21.1 Mscf/yr
- Installing vapor recovery units
  - 4 vapor recover units at compressor stations
  - Investigating VRU options for E&P sites
- Over 16 Bcf methane reduction in 2006



#### **Continuing Innovation**

- Pilot Projects
  - Consolidating Water Handling
  - Quantum Leap Dehydrator Engineered Concepts, Inc.
  - Utilizing a condenser/venturi process JATCO, Inc.
  - Installing 2-stage combustor unit Leed Fabrication, Inc.
  - VGR Separator Leed Fabrication, Inc.
  - VRSA vapor recovery unit Engineered Concepts, Inc.