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## Actual Gas Sales volume in April 2010

In April, monthly gas sales volume totaled 318.419 million cubic meters, up by 20.7% from the previous year.

(Unit:1,000m<sup>3</sup>)

	April 2010		April 2009		Change	
	Gas sales volume	Composition ratio	Gas sales volume	Composition ratio	Volume	Rate of change
Residential	84,050	28.4%	74,514	30.2%	9,536	12.8%
Commercial	18,904	6.4%	18,284	7.4%	621	3.4%
Industrial	177,844	60.1%	140,909	57.1%	36,935	26.2%
Public and Medical	15,284	5.2%	13,022	5.3%	2,262	17.4%
Total	296,082	100.0%	246,729	100.0%	49,354	20.0%
Wholesale	22,337	—	17,119	—	5,218	30.5%
Grand total	318,419	—	263,848	—	54,572	20.7%
Number of Customers	2,272,003	—	2,257,549	—	14,454	0.6%
Residential	2,185,373	—	2,170,933	—	14,440	0.7%

※1m<sup>3</sup>=11,000kcal [46.04655MJ]

### 1. Gas Sales Volume

#### (1) Residential

The gas sales volume increased from the previous year, due to lower temperatures in March and April which caused increase of hot water demand, etc.

#### (2) Commercial, Public and Medical

Gas sales volume increased from the previous year, due to lower temperatures in March and April which caused increase of air-conditioning demand, etc.

#### (3) Industrial

Gas sales volume increased from the previous year, due to increase in operation rate of existing customer facilities.

Please note that, gas sales volume in April 2009, indicated as comparison data, decreased from April 2008 due to the impact of economic slowdown.

#### (4) Wholesale

The gas sales volume to other gas utilities increased.

### 2. Temperature

(Unit: °C)

	FY2010	FY2009	Change
March	9.1	9.5	-0.4
April	13.3	15.4	-2.1
Average for two months	11.2	12.5	-1.3

**Rate of change relative to the previous year (Gas sales volume, Number of Customers)**

(April 2010–March 2011)

(Unit : %)

	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	First half	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Fiscal Year
Residential	12.8													
Commercial	3.4													
Industrial	26.2													
Public and Medical	17.4													
Total	20.0													
Wholesale	30.5													
Grand total	20.7													
Number of Customers	0.6													

(April 2009–March 2010)

(Unit : %)

	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	First half	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Fiscal Year
Residential	-1.0	0.5	2.9	-2.8	18.9	-1.4	1.7	-0.4	5.5	-3.9	3.1	0.8	-0.7	1.1
Commercial	-1.5	-1.5	8.5	-6.8	-4.8	-6.2	-2.7	-2.0	5.8	-0.7	2.0	5.3	1.9	-0.6
Industrial	-23.4	-19.0	-11.4	-10.9	-10.4	-10.2	-14	-7.9	3.5	5.1	10	31.5	34.6	-2.2
Public and Medical	-1.4	3.2	13.0	-4.9	-5.4	-7.5	-2.1	1.1	5.4	2.7	3.8	9.6	-2.2	0.7
Total	-15.2	-12.4	-6.1	-9.0	-6.2	-8.6	-9.6	-5.8	4.2	2.3	6.6	17.6	18.4	-1.2
Wholesale	-13.4	-17.7	-21.1	-16.2	-9.8	-10.1	-14.6	-12.5	-2.3	2.3	1.2	-0.3	5	-7.5
Grand total	-15.1	-12.8	-7.2	-9.5	-6.5	-8.7	-10.0	-6.3	3.7	2.3	6.2	16.2	17.4	-1.7
Number of Customers	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7

(April 2008–March 2009)

(Unit : %)

	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	First half	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Fiscal Year
Residential	-0.9	-5.6	-3.0	0.1	-14.8	6.4	-3.0	5.0	-1.4	-4.3	2.6	-2.8	-3.5	-1.9
Commercial	4.4	-4.0	-4.7	15.8	-8.6	0.3	0.2	-8.2	-5.2	-2.7	2.9	-9.7	2.7	-1.5
Industrial	3.7	1.2	-0.7	8.0	-9.4	4.3	1.2	-6.2	-10.3	-12.3	-17.9	-33.0	-25.3	-8.5
Public and Medical	4.6	0.7	-4.3	26.6	-7.0	-1.1	2.9	-11.4	-2.3	-3.9	2.3	-16.6	3.9	-1.1
Total	2.5	-0.8	-1.6	9.1	-9.7	3.7	0.5	-5.2	-8.0	-9.3	-9.0	-22.2	-15.9	-6.1
Wholesale	-20.1	-20.9	-15.2	-6.0	-16.5	-11.1	-14.8	-12.5	-9.0	-11.8	-12.0	-21.4	-10.1	-13.9
Grand total	0.7	-2.4	-2.7	7.8	-10.2	2.4	-0.8	-5.8	-8.0	-9.5	-9.2	-22.2	-15.5	-6.8
Number of Customers	2.0	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8