



September 22, 2015

NATURAL GAS CONSERVATION CONFERENCE

You are invited to attend the **2015 Natural Gas Conservation Conference**, sponsored jointly by the [Minnesota Blue Flame Gas Association](#); major utility sponsor, **Xcel Energy**; and supporting utility sponsors, **CenterPoint Energy** and **Minnesota Energy Resources**. This year's session offers a variety of topics to help you get more for your natural gas dollar, plus you can earn a certificate of completion to use (if applicable) for professional development hours.

Natural Gas Conservation Conference

Tuesday, September 22, 2015

8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Hillcrest Golf Club, St. Paul

Who Should Attend and Why

- ▶ **Who:** Facility managers, building engineers, hotel and restaurant owners and managers, HVAC contractors and building design professionals.
- ▶ **Why:** To stay current with the latest changes in the natural gas industry and to help you manage your energy costs more efficiently and effectively. Learn about projections for the upcoming heating season, new technologies, how to maximize your equipment's efficiencies and save on energy costs. We provide displays of cutting edge technology to keep professionals current on trends, technologies, and strategies of energy management, so you have the right tools in your toolbox for the future. Networking with your peers and sharing ideas keeps you on top in a changing market.

Agenda: Tuesday, September 22, 2015

8:00 a.m.	Registration and Continental Breakfast. Visit vendor tables.
8:30 a.m.	Breakfast Presentation – Natural Gas Price & Supply Update Natural gas price and supply update for the upcoming heating season. <i>Mike Boughner, Director-Gas Supply, Xcel Energy</i>
9:30 a.m.	Session One. Choose from two options: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seminar A – Maximizing Steam Trap Efficiencies Information to help you maximize steam trap efficiencies. <i>John Arvig, Engineer, Campbell-Sevey</i>• Seminar B – Mn Commercial Energy Code Update Learn more about the new Minnesota commercial energy code adopted June 2nd, 2015. <i>Andy Thielen, PE, Mechanical Engineer, Crane Engineering</i>
10:30 a.m.	Break – visit vendor tables

11:00 a.m.

Session Two. Choose from two options:

- **Seminar A – Hot Water Boiler Efficiencies**
An informational seminar on the application, operation and maintenance of high efficiency hot water boilers.

*Brett Stueland, Engineering & Marketing Mgr.,
R. M. Cotton Co.*
- **Seminar B – Supply Options: Firm vs. Interruptible Service**
Information to help you make an intelligent decision based on your supply options.

Panel – Industry Professionals

12:00 p.m.

Break – visit vendor tables

12:30 p.m.

Lunch and Keynote Address: Current State of CHP

General overview of Combined Heat & Power (CHP), its benefits, regional market trends, case studies and resources available.

Cliff Haefke, Director, U.S. DOE Midwest CHP Technical Assistance Partnership

Conclusion and Drawing for Prizes

Location and Sponsors

Location:

Hillcrest Golf Club of St. Paul
2200 E. Larpenteur Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55108
651-774-6088
www.hillcreststpaul.com

Directions: Click [here](#) to view directions to the golf club.

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Event Details

- ▶ Reserve Your Spot Now – Fills Fast – Limited Space!
- ▶ \$75 fee for members or customers of utility members (Ask about utility sponsorships when you RSVP. Many utilities are covering part or all of their customers' fees.)
- ▶ \$99 fee for non-members
- ▶ Continental breakfast and lunch are included.
- ▶ Tabletop booths and sponsorships are available. If your company is interested, contact Diane Swintek (see contact information below).

Register by Friday, September 18

To register, call Diane Swintek at **763-424-1841** or e-mail dswintek@blueflame.org.

When you register, be sure to check if there are registration discounts from your natural gas utility.

Please specify which seminar (A or B) you'd like to attend for each session.

Mail your payment to: Minnesota Blue Flame Gas Association, PO Box 667, Osseo, MN 55369.
PayPal is available for credit card payments (a 3% service fee applies).

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