



## Scott Tolleson Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia

# Gas Industry Overview

### **Three Distinct Industry Segments Collectively Serve Consumers**



**Producers/ Supplier** 

 Majors (ExxonMobil, BP, Chevron, Shell, Conoco/Phillips, etc.)
 Independents (over 1,000)
 Produce 80% US

gas



**Pipelines** 

- > 12 Major Interstate Pipelines
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Regulated



Local Distribution Company (LDC's)

- Investor-Owned
  Utilities
- Public Gas Systems
- State Regulation



Residential



Commercial

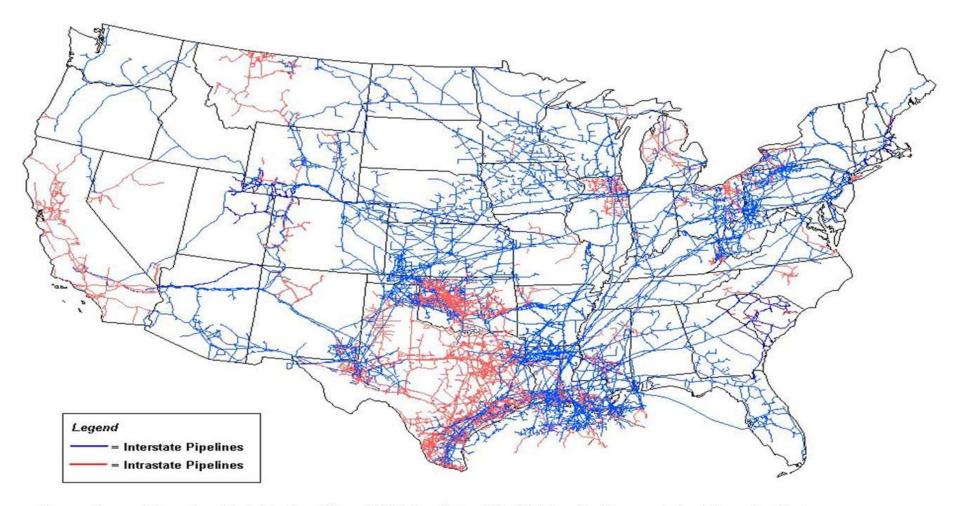


Industrial/Power Generation



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Reliable, Safe, Secure & Affordable – Extensive Pipeline & Storage Network

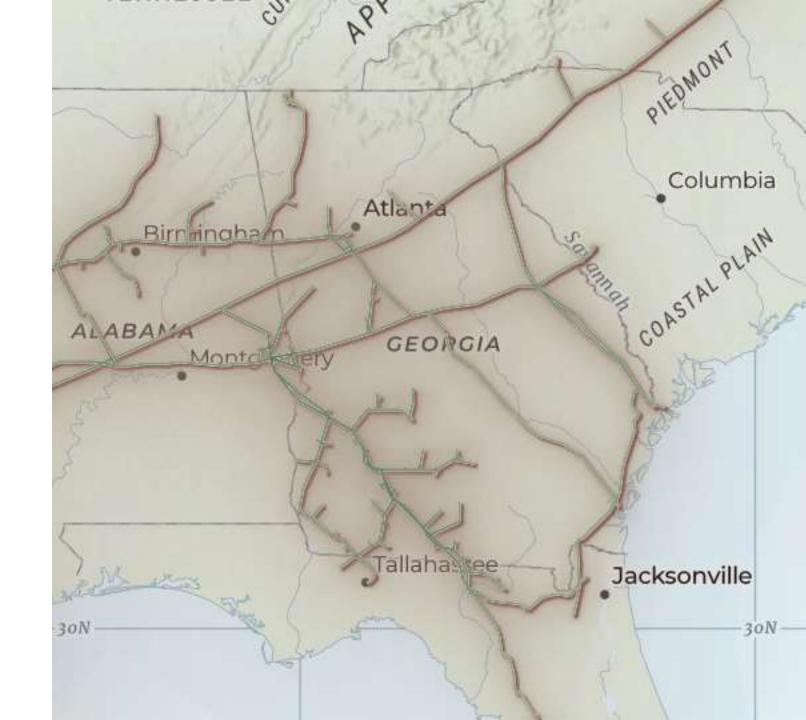




Source: Energy Information Administration, Office of Oil & Gas, Natural Gas Division, Gas Transportation Information System

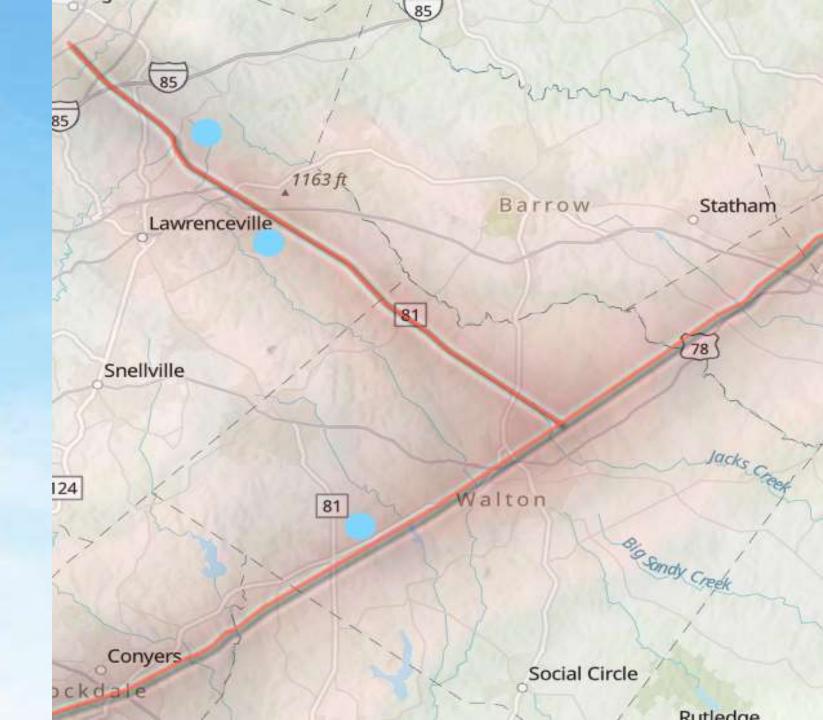
## Interstate Pipelines in Georgia

- Pipelines were originally built in the 1950's and 1960's to move natural gas from the Gulf Coast areas to the Northeast.
- Natural Gas now flows both south to north and north to south with the shale revolution

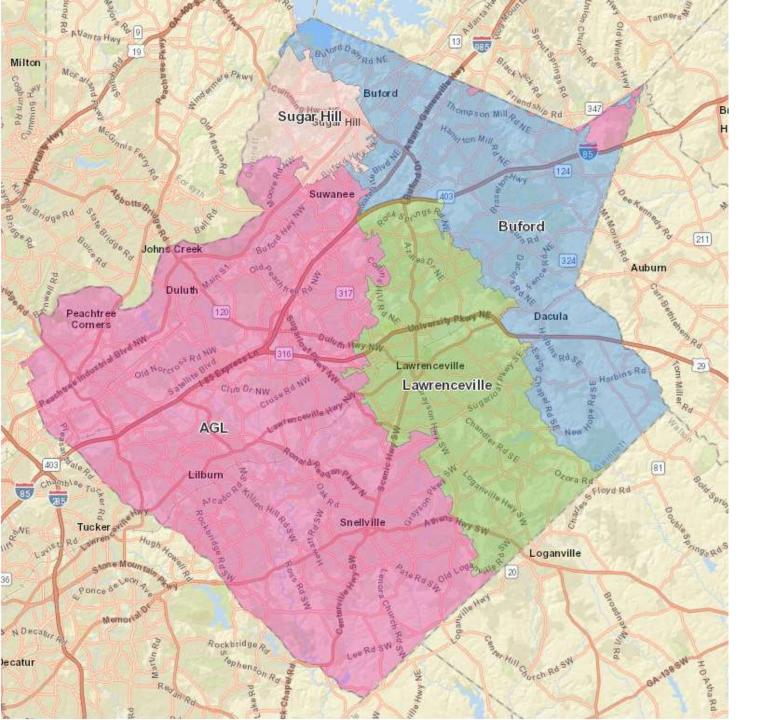


### Lawrenceville served by Transcontinental Pipeline

- Lawrenceville has three "Take Points" on Transcontinental (Transco) line.
  - One near Walnut Grove
  - Second on Suwanee Lateral
  - Third near Dacula on Suwanee Lateral







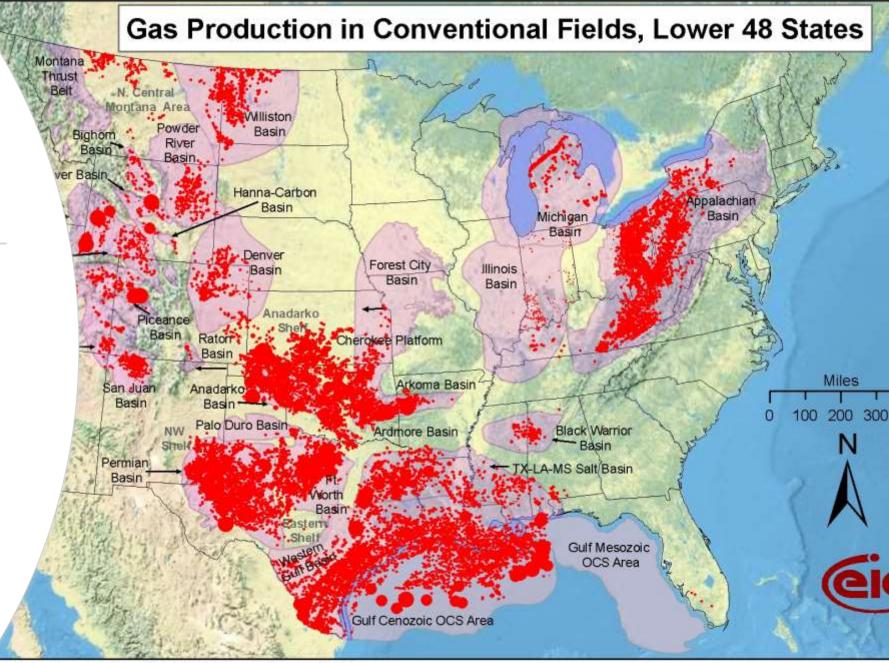
## Gwinnett County Natural Gas Distribution Companies

- Buford, Lawrenceville and Sugar Hill are municipal natural gas providers in northeast Gwinnett County
  - Municipal systems were originally built in rural, less densely populated area. These area were less desirable to investor-owned utilities. These systems have been an economic and community development driver
- Atlanta Gas Light (AGL) is the provider in southwest Gwinnett County
- Public Service Commission (PSC) has established safety boundaries to avoid overlap of infrastructure

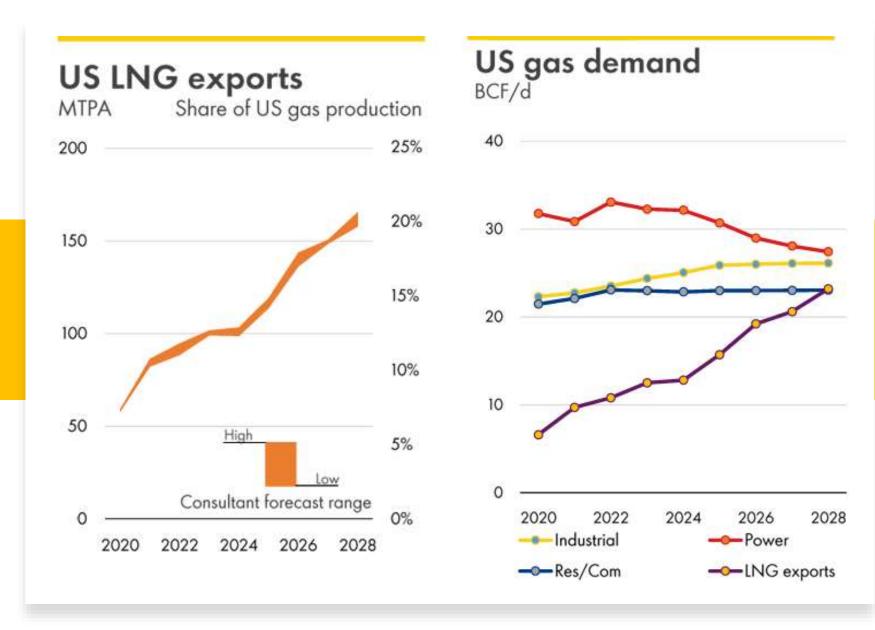
## U.S. Natural Gas Reserves

Over 125 years of known reserves at projected depletion rates

Shale Revolution began in 2008 with horizonal drilling and hydraulic fracturing of rock formations

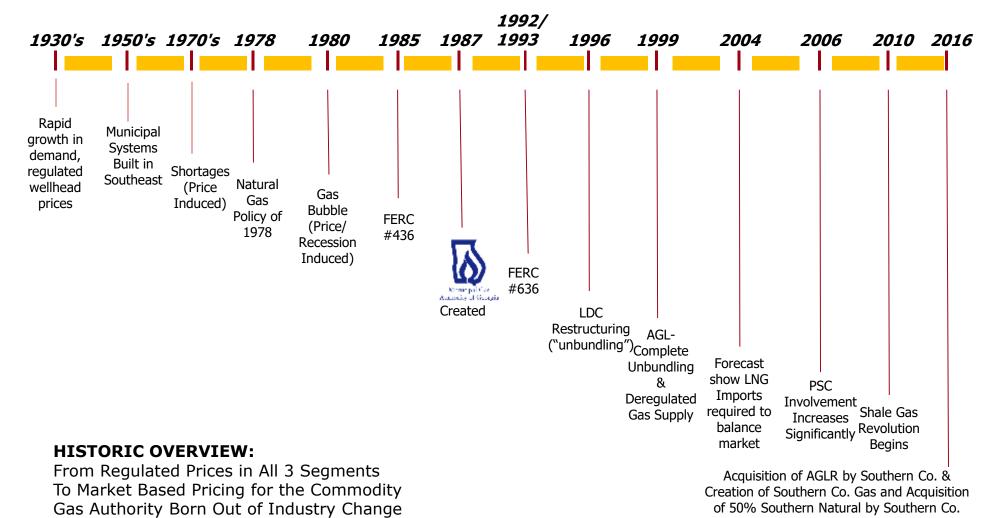


ration based on data from HPDI, IN Geological Survey, USGS



U.S. is poised to export 20% of total production through Liquified **Natural Gas** (LNG) **Terminals** 

### Why Create a Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia? Regulatory Driven to Market Driven





## Creation of the Gas Authority

 $\geq$  Largest non-profit, joint-action natural gas agency in the nation

- Established in 1987 by Georgia law
- Primary purpose is to provide adequate, dependable and economical supplies of natural gas to municipal distribution systems

### **Our Mission:**

To provide municipalities a reliable, economical supply of natural gas and to assist them in developing and growing their gas systems to optimize the benefits of public ownership.





# Governance of the Gas Authority

### > Governed by a Twelve-Member Board of Directors

- \* Elected at large for 3-year, staggered terms
- \* Board consists of Elected Officials, City Managers & Operators

#### <u>Todd Hardigree</u> Chairman

Gas Director, Lawrenceville, GA Elected to Board: 2018 (Vice Chairman: 2022-2023)

### Buddy Duke

Vice Chairman Mayor, Adel, GA Elected to Board: 2002 (Chairman: 2007-2009)

#### Bruce Maples Secretary/Treasurer

Asst. City Manager, Albany, GA Elected to Board: 2022

### **Daren Perkins**

Gas Superintendent, Buford, GA Elected to Board: 2011 (Chairman: 2017 - 2019)

### Kenneth Usry

Former Mayor, Thomson, GA Elected to Board: 2011 (Chairman: 2019 - 2021)

#### Jonathan Mason Asst. Gas Superintendent, Borough of Chambersburg, PA Elected to Board: 2017

### **Irving Thompson** General Manager East Central Alabama Gas District Elected to Board: 2017

**Shelly Berryhill** City Commissioner, Hawkinsville, GA Elected to Board: 2023

### Donna McKay

Mayor, Wadley, AL Elected to Board: 2023

#### Matthew Bradshaw Engineering Director, Dublin, GA Elected to Board: 2024

### Chris White

City Manager, Thomasville, GA Elected to Board: 2024

### Jon Herschell City Manager, Hartwell, GA

Elected to Board: 2024



# Gas Authority Overview

### Where does the Gas Authority fit into the system?





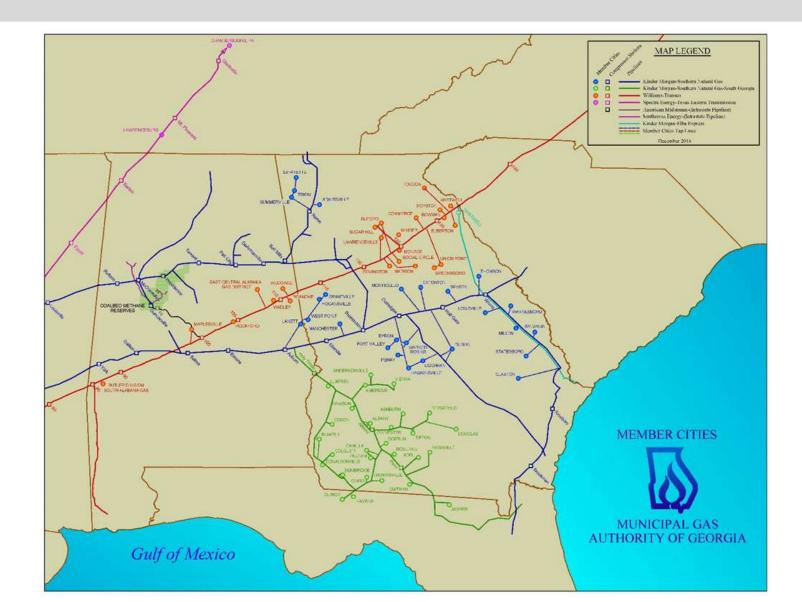
## Gas Authority Overview

### **Growth History of Gas Authority**

	1988	2023
Gas Authority Members	61	83
Municipal Customers	0	15
Regulatory Compliance Subscribers	0	77
Annual Member Volumes (MMBtu)	24,121,000	50,183,392
Member's Customers	131,804	271,633



# Members of the Gas Authority





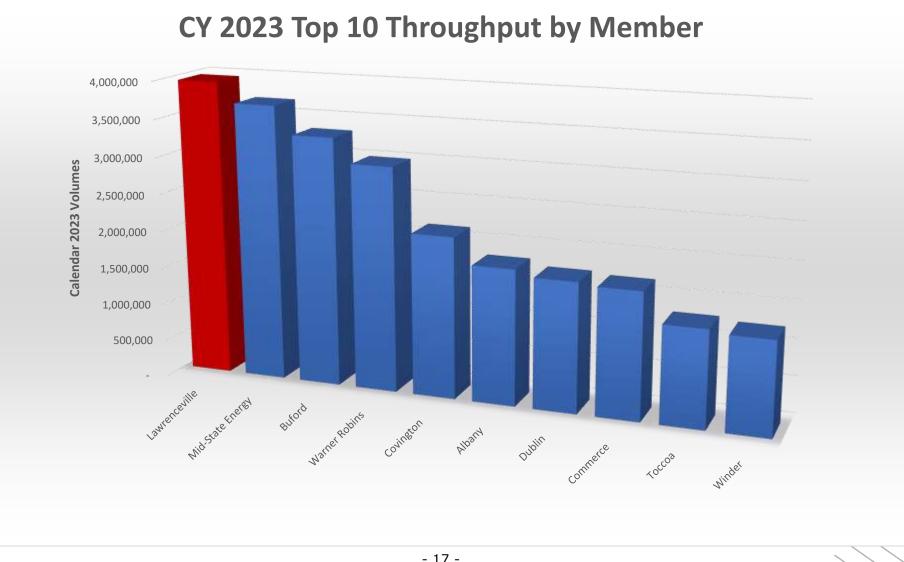
# City of Lawrenceville Natural Gas

	City of Lawrenceville	Gas Authority
Total Number of Customer	53,000+	271,000+
Annual Volume (Aug 23 – Jul 24)	4,382,077	50,183,392
All-time Peak Day Volume (12/23/2022)	65,760	395,752



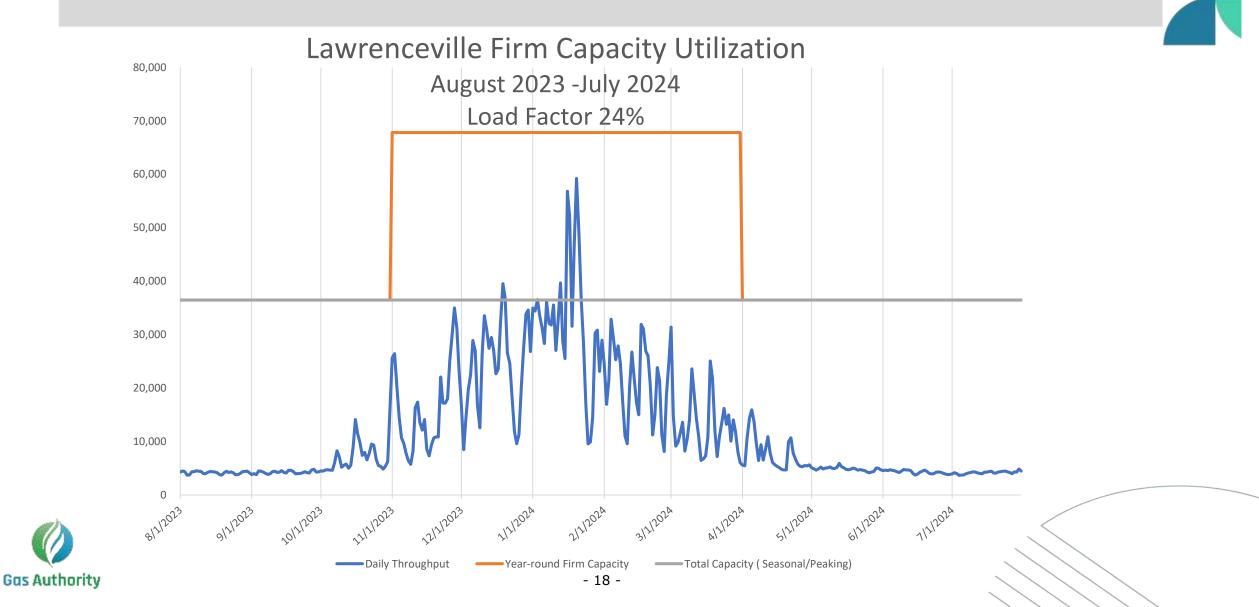
## City of Lawrenceville Natural Gas **2024 Top 10 Customer Count by Member** 60,000 50,000 40,000 **Total Customers** 30,000 20,000 10.000 LAWRENCEVILLE BUFORD SUGARHILL ALBANY CARTERSULLE COUNSTON WARNER BAINS NINDER TOCCOR CHAMBERSBURG **Gas Authority** - 16 -

# **City of Lawrenceville Natural Gas**





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# Key Member Service Areas



## >Member Support-Customized System Consulting

- ◆Retail rates, budget forecasts, & industrial customer relations
- ◆Strategic planning, mandated reporting & system analysis

## ≻Market Development-Marketing Programs

- ◆Residential & commercial customer growth, retail & direct sales
- ✦Program development & implementation

## ➢Government Affairs

- ◆State & federal energy-related matters
- ◆Public Service Commission (PSC) Representation

## >Economic Development

◆ Partner with ECG to form economic development alliance

## >Member Liaison & Relationship Management

✦Connect Members with other Members, state-wide natural gas stakeholders and national energy policy makers.



# Key Member Service Areas

## Communications & Training

- ✦Customer relations
- ✦Customer education on how natural gas is delivered and priced in Georgia

## ➢ Regulatory Compliance

- ◆Subscribed program (AL, GA, FL)
- ◆Assist participants in maintaining compliance with pipeline safety regulations
- ◆Liaison between Members and Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC)

## >Operator Training and Operator Qualification

- ♦ Service established in 2024 to provide training to Members' operations and field staff
- ◆Basic gas operations, Operator Qualification and record keeping



## Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia

- ≻The Gas Authority is different;
  - We're not just a marketing or asset management company
    - ✦We work exclusively for publicly-owned gas systems
    - ◆Our Members are both our "Stockholders" and our "Customers"
    - ✦All benefits, financial and otherwise, flow back to our Members and the municipalities we serve
    - ◆Joint-action works ......



