

# Gas System Long-Term Plan

Technical Session 04.04.24

Focus Topic - Non-Pipeline Alternatives (NPAs)

Cases 20-G-0131 & 23-G-0676



# Logistics and Background

James Keating  
Director, Gas Transformation and Planning



# Agenda

- Logistics and Background for Session
- Project Selection
- NPA Program Results
- Beneficial Location Analysis
- Q&A

# Meeting Logistics

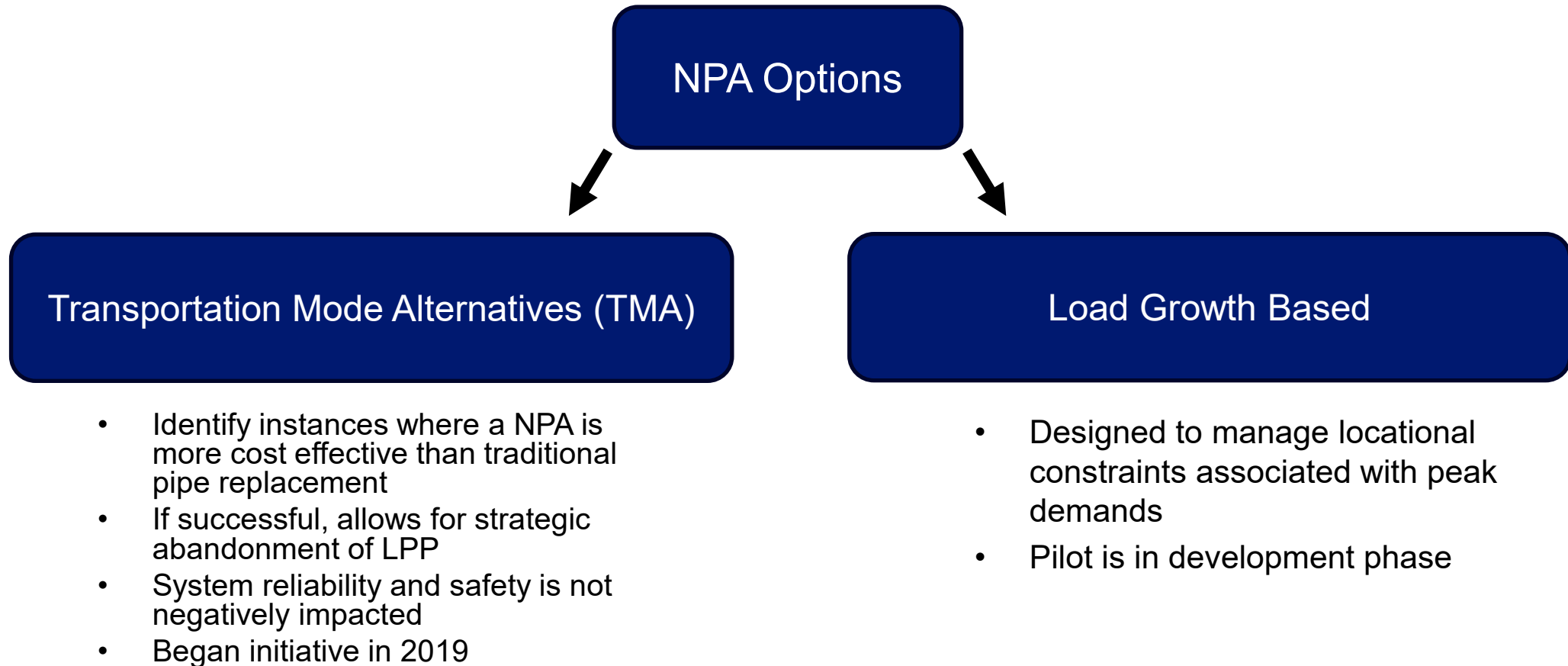
- Central Hudson Gas and Electric (CHG&E) is presenting at the Technical Session to provide Stakeholders with a summary discussion of its NPA program.
- Please use the “raise hand” feature of the meeting platform so that we know when there are questions to address (We will answer questions in the order they are received).
- <https://www.cenhud.com/en/my-energy/our-energy-future/long-term-gas-system-plan/>

# NPA Project Selection

Jason Mead - Section Engineer, Gas Engineering



# Non-Pipes Alternative (NPA) Types



# NPA Screening and Suitability Criteria

- Screening

- Projects that exceed a cost threshold will require Central Hudson to pursue a “full-scale solicitation of NPA followed by a benefit/cost analysis (BCA) of potential solutions.”
- Projects that fall below this threshold will entail an “expedited standardized review approach with a streamlined economic and technical analysis and take advantage of known alternative solutions with identifiable costs.”

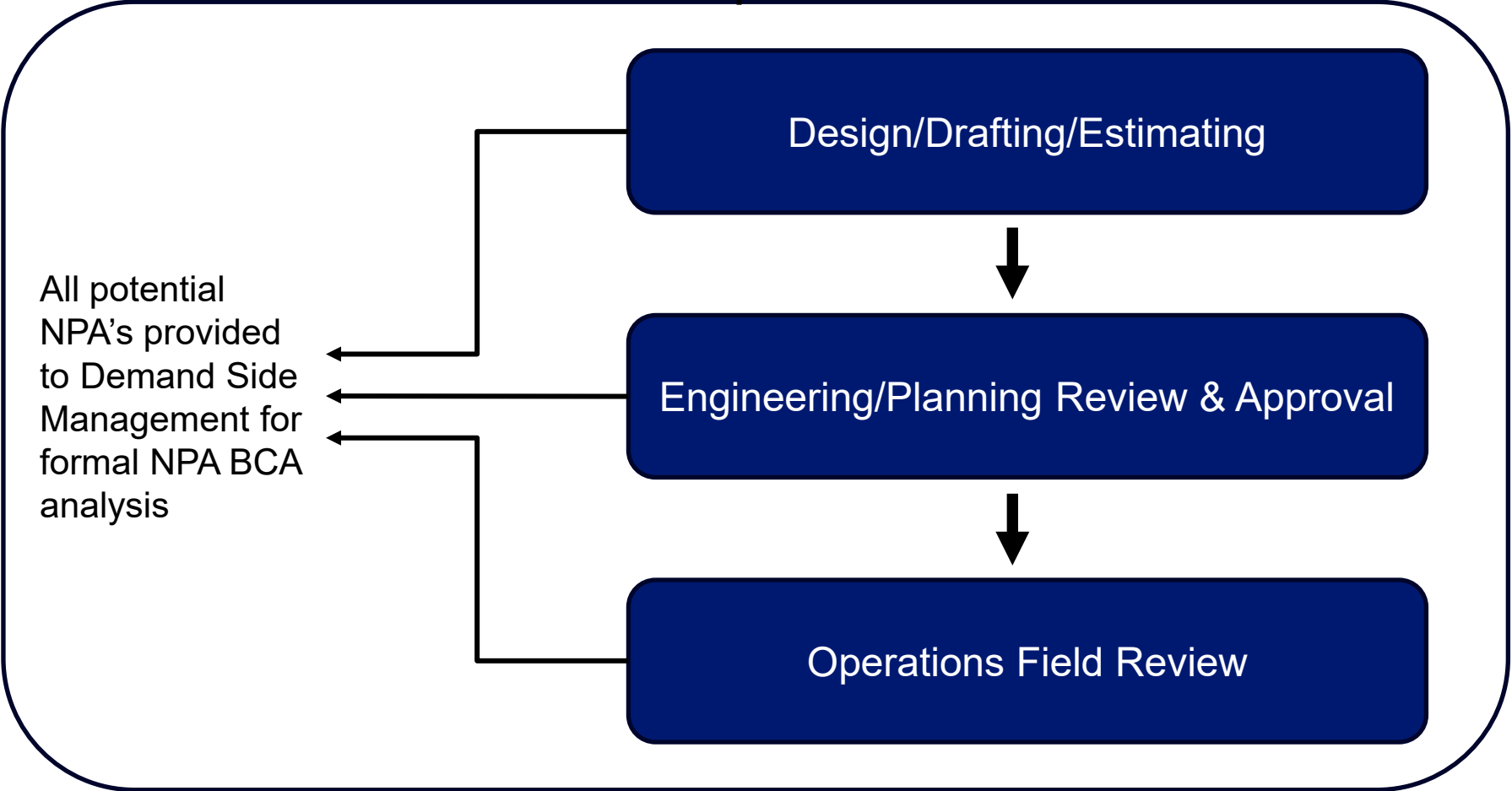
- Suitability

- Evaluation based on costs, load relief needs, timeline, and feasibility
- Procurement pathway determined by project specifics
- Criteria adjusted over time based on experience and inflation, with consideration of project types and geographic coverage

Central Hudson Suitability Criteria		
<b>Cost</b>	Large Project	>\$2 million
	Small Project	≤\$2 million
<b>Timeline</b>	Large Project	24 months or more
	Small Project	12 to 24 months

# NPA's Incorporated into LPP Projects

Targeted Review for low customer saturation and/or higher than normal traditional replacement costs





# NPA Program Results

Cory Scofield  
Director, Demand Side Management



# Background and Filings

- June 14, 2018: Rate Plan Order
- June 21, 2019: Filed initial NPA TMA Implementation Plan
  - Annual filings thereafter
  - 2023: <https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/MatterFilingItem.aspx?FilingSeq=315556&MatterSeq=54153>
- December 1, 2019: Filed initial Annual NPA Report
  - Annual filings thereafter
  - 2023: <https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/MatterFilingItem.aspx?FilingSeq=316971&MatterSeq=54153>
- August 10, 2022: Filed Proposals for Non-Pipe Alternative Screening and Suitability Criteria
  - <https://documents.dps.ny.gov/public/MatterManagement/MatterFilingItem.aspx?FilingSeq=291791&MatterSeq=62227>



# TMA Process Workflow



# Whole Home Beneficial Electrification Upgrade

- Full Electric Conversion
  - “Heat Pump installations in compliance with NYS Clean Heat guidelines
  - Heat pump water heater
  - Electric cooking range
  - Other appliances as needed (ex: electric clothes dryer)
- “Make-Ready” as needed
  - Electric panel and wiring upgrades
- Targeted marketing strategy, followed by customer education and enrollment.
- Central Hudson covers the equipment & installation costs



# Targeted Marketing Approach

- Custom letters
- Single point of contact
- Follow up phone call
- On the ground follow up and education
- Brochure
- Website: <https://www.cenhud.com/en/my-energy/invitation-only/>



**GO ELECTRIC**

Natural Gas-to-Electric  
Incentive Offer:  
Whole House Beneficial  
Electrification Program

# Example Projects

- 2019 Newburgh, NY:
  - 360 ft. Leak Prone Pipe (4" Steel)
  - Avoided replacement cost: \$65k
  - NPA Cost: Est \$56k, Actual \$50k
  - Final SCT: 1.26
  - Building Overview:
    - House 1: 2,264 sq. ft., panel upgrade, mini-split and ducted HVAC, appliance upgrade
    - House 2: service line relocation

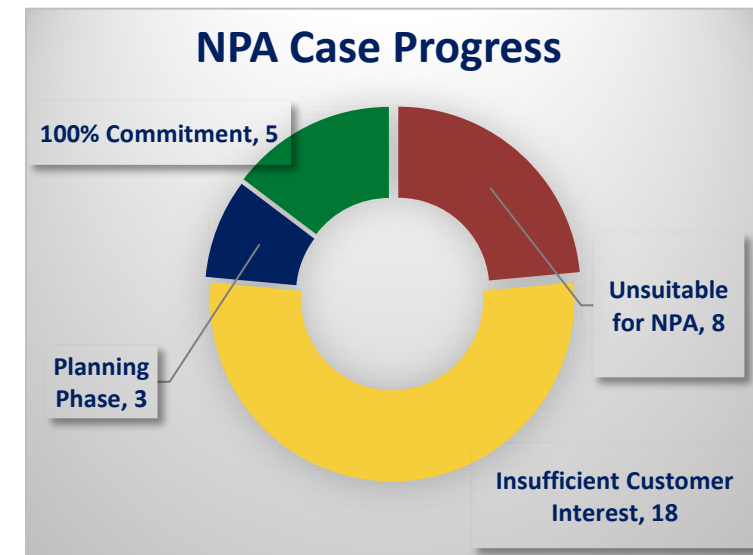
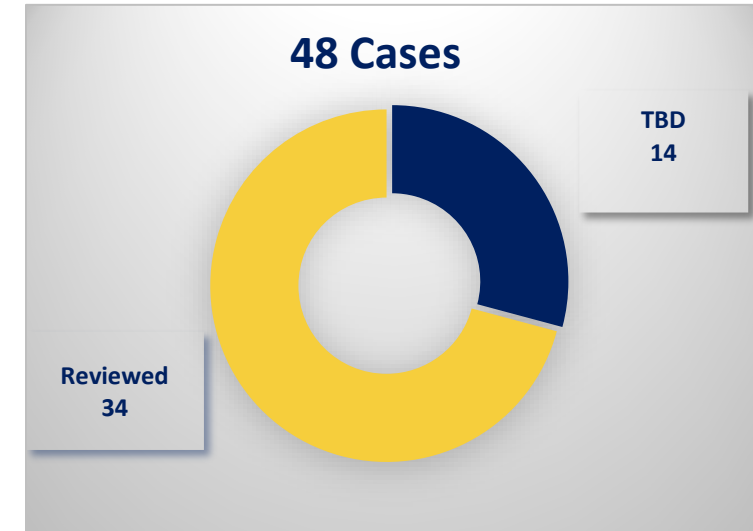


- 2021 Fishkill, NY:
  - 560 ft. Leak Prone Pipe (4" Steel)
  - Avoided Replacement Cost: \$217k
  - NPA Cost: Est \$239k, Actual \$253k
  - Final SCT: 0.81
  - Building Overview:
    - 5 homes. Average size: 1,997 sq. ft., make ready needs, mini-split and ducted HVAC solutions, appliance upgrade, retired NG generator, heated basement, multi-level.
  - Customer education “Fine-tuning” for comfort and efficiency



# TMA Challenges / Risks

- Project-level Challenges:
  - 100% participation for each case
  - Short timeline to coordinate with municipal projects
  - New customer requests prior to retiring pipe main
- Customer-level Challenges:
  - Unique property layouts
  - Approving Boards / Powers of Attorney
  - Multi-family, Landlord / Tenant
  - Customers change in position
  - Sale of property during solicitation period
  - Preference for natural gas





# Customer Experience

## Customer feedback

Cooking gas only customer. "I was going to replace my oil furnace with natural gas. I would sign if Central Hudson were to replace heating as well"

Full home conversion. Not interested in converting away from gas range. "no, still not interested. We are moving to a retirement home soon"

Personal circumstances. COVID-19-related loss of job and caretaking of others.

"Will my electric bill go up?"

The Board highly inclined to convert in-scope dwelling. Future plans, however, exist to construct a new 10,000 sq. ft. multi-unit building on adjacent site. Preference is for natural gas heat and backup generation. Concerns: "Cost of electrical infrastructure ... Geothermal cost prohibitive... costs of an electric [storage] or diesel generator" and fuel delivery requirements.

Indicated a preference to keep gas service. Customer thought it was "important to have" .. and indicated they "already have AC and it's just the furnace that runs on gas" .... Also if "we ever wanted to do a generator onsite, we'd want to consider using Natural Gas."

"We understand the eventual full-electrification of the grid and its benefits to the environment, but we like our natural gas. We are uncomfortable changing what we've relied upon for so many years."

"We are fully invested in gas equipment: gas heating system, gas generator, 2 gas stoves, gas grill (we love cooking with gas and don't want an electric or induction stove). Also, we are not motivated by the cash incentive."

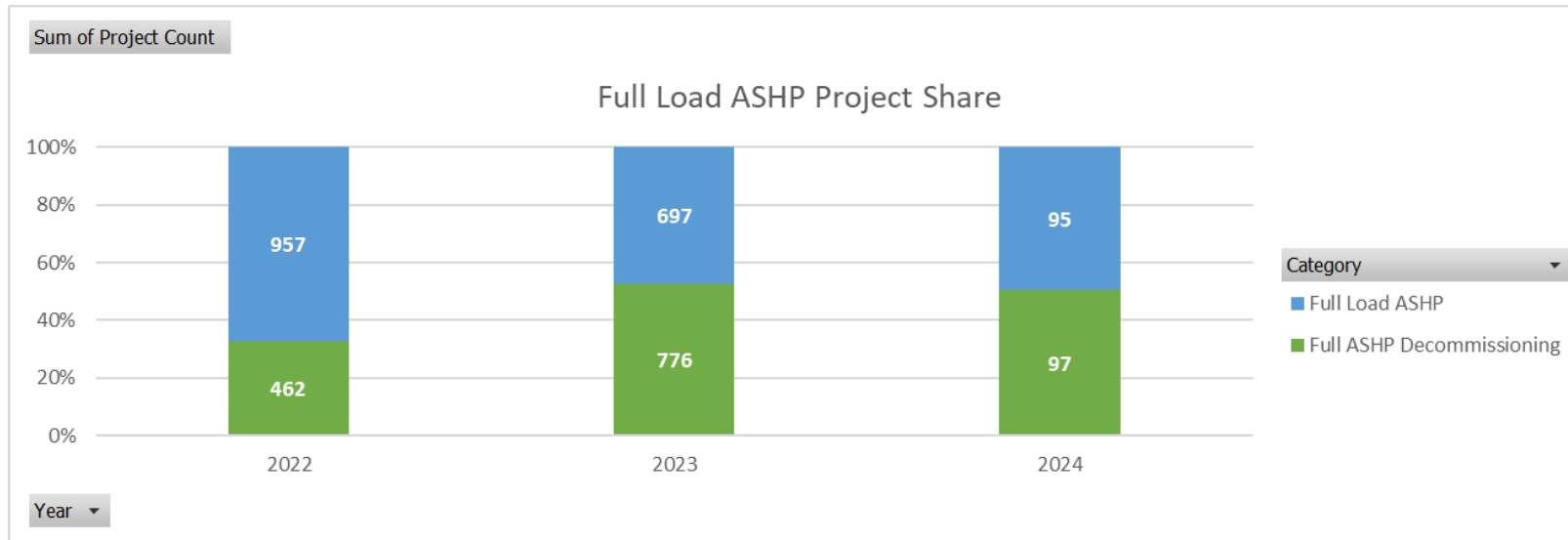
# BCAs and Project Summaries

## Societal Cost Test (SCT):

The SCT considers the costs and benefits to society as a whole. It includes not only the direct costs and benefits associated with the project, but also factors such as environmental impacts, health benefits, and economic effects, providing a more comprehensive assessment of its overall value.

Proposed Case	Location	SCT	Customer Count	Located in a DAC	Status
2019	1 Spruce St. Newburgh, NY	1.14	2	✓	Completed
	2 Rt. 9W (South Section)	6.54	2		Unsuitable for NPA
	3 Rt. 9W (North Section)	2.87	18		
2020	4 Roe Ave. - Highland Falls,	1.94	2	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	5 Blackburn Ave. - Beacon, NY	5.18	1	✓	Completed
	6 Brookside Ave. -	4.66	1	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	7 Hutton St. - Kingston, NY	1.13	2		Insufficient customer interest
	8 Tubby St. - Kingston, NY	2.04	2		Insufficient customer interest
	9 Main St. - Highland Falls, NY	0.42	5		Unsuitable for NPA
	10 VanGaasbeck St. - Kingston,	0.49	3		Unsuitable for NPA
	11 N Pierpont Ave. -	2.50	5		Insufficient customer interest
	12 Boulevard Knls. -	0.95	3	✓	Unsuitable for NPA
	13 Eden Tr. - Poughkeepsie, NY	1.16	2	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	14 Villa Parkway - Highland	1.66	1	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	15 West Main St. Wappingers	N/A	5	✓	Insufficient customer interest
2021	16 Albany Ave. - Kingston, NY	2.01	1	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	17 Woodvale Ave. - Fishkill, NY	0.86	5	✓	Completed
	18 Charles St. - Poughkeepsie,	0.81	3	✓	Completed
	19 Violet Ave. - Poughkeepsie,	1.51	3	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	20 North Bridge St.	0.90	4	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	21 West Pierpont St. -	1.15	2	✓	Unsuitable for NPA
2022	22 Fairview Ave. Ext. -	1.27	1	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	23 Eagle Head Rd. - Cornwall,	1.90	2		Insufficient customer interest
	24 Duggan Ln. - Cornwall, NY	0.50	2		Unsuitable for NPA
	25 Morehouse Rd. -	0.77	3	✓	Unsuitable for NPA
	26 Wodenethe Dr. - Beacon,	0.65	2	✓	Unsuitable for NPA
	27 Tilden St. - Esopus, NY	2.20	2	✓	Insufficient customer interest
	28 D'alfonso Rd. - Newburgh,	2.10	6	✓	Insufficient customer interest
2023	29 Partridge Rd. - Cornwall, NY	1.00	1		Unsuitable for NPA
	30 Bellwood Rd. - Cornwall, NY	1.34	1		Completed
	31 Stillwood Rd. - Cornwall, NY	1.32	3		Insufficient customer interest
	2024	32 Noone Ln. - Kingston, NY	1.32	1	
33 Greenkill Ave. - Kingston,		1.91	1	✓	Planning phase
34 Verplanck Ave. - Beacon, NY		1.52	1	✓	Planning phase
<b>Total</b>		<b>1.75</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>21</b>	

# Success of Clean Heat Decommissioning



- Category 2B decommissioning implemented March 2022
  - Steady adoption increase through 2022
  - Decommissioning projects overtook standard Full Load ASHP installs in 2023 as most common measure
- Existing fuel; 51% oil, 19% electric, 16% natural gas, 11% propane, 3% other

# Beneficial Location Analysis

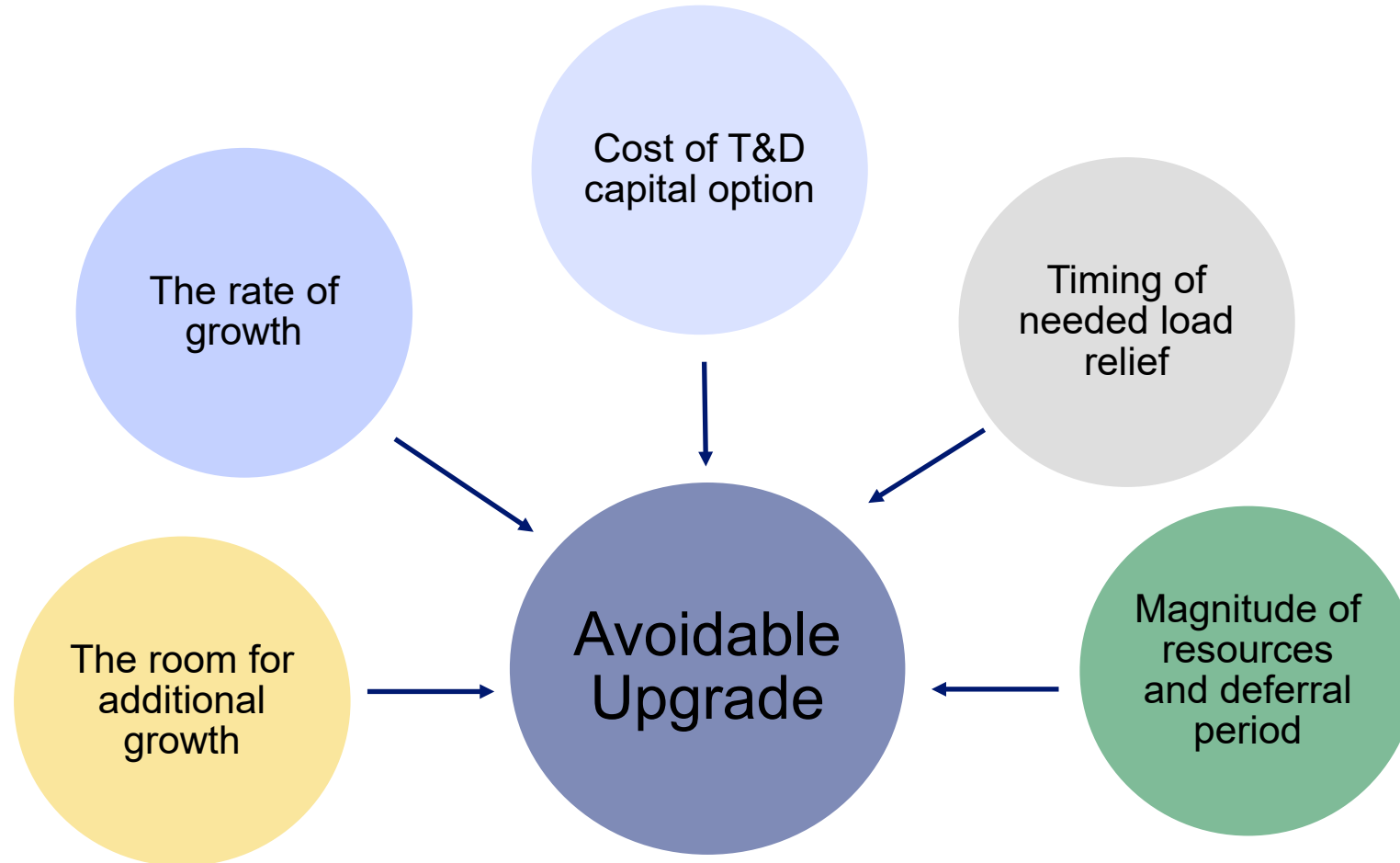
Josh Bode  
Demand Side Analytics



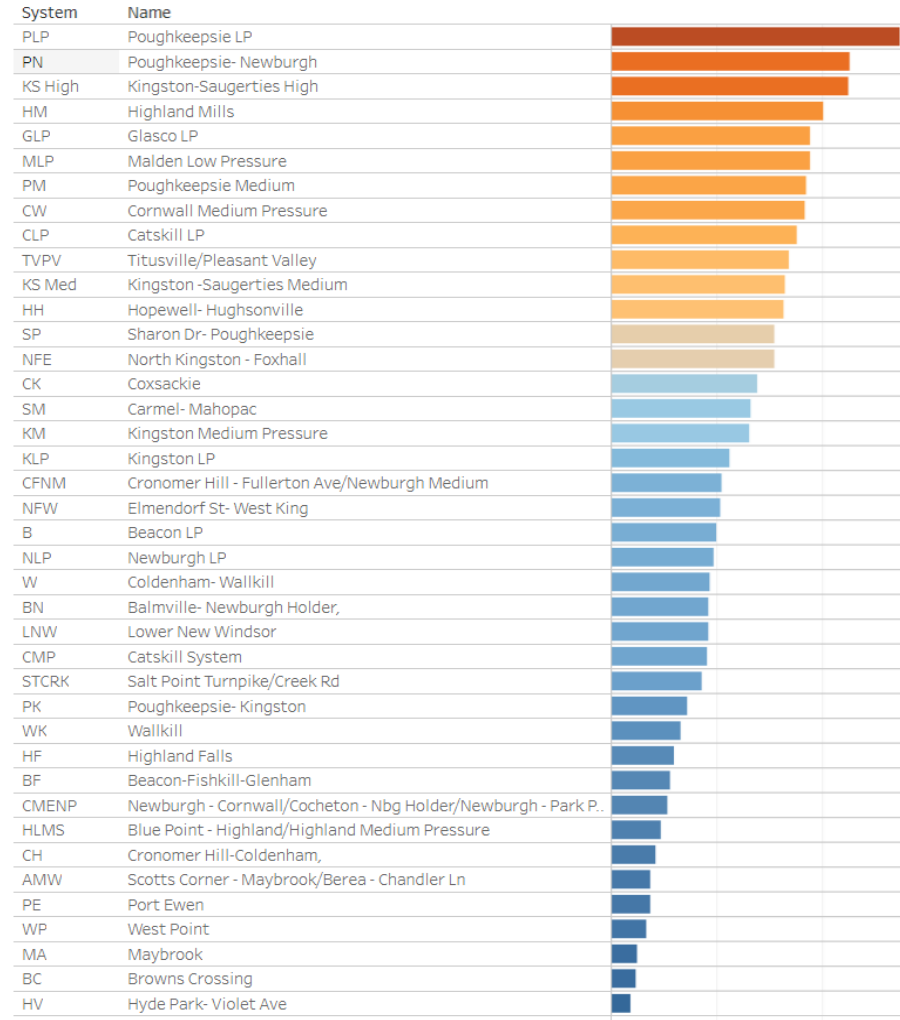
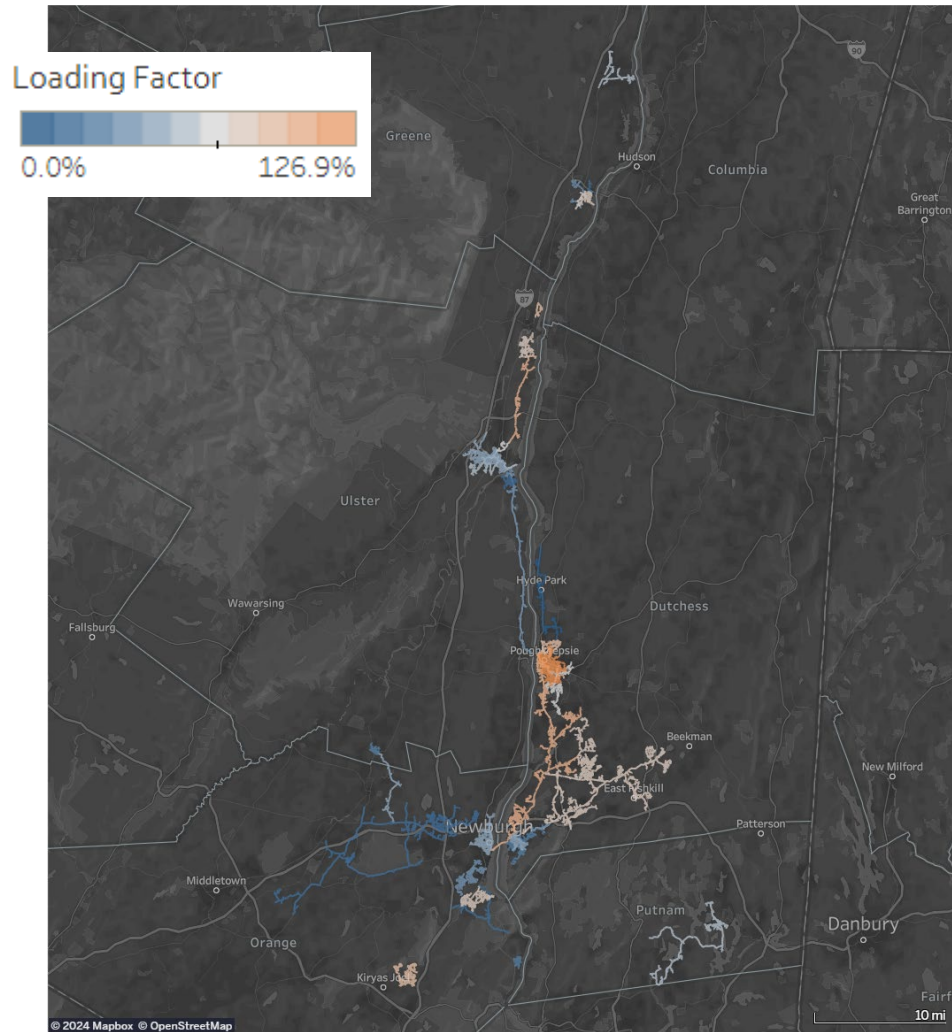
# Future Potential NPAs

- Identified candidates for load growth based non-pipe alternative pilots/projects
- Utilizing the Suitability and Screening Criteria Central Hudson will be evaluating the potential beneficial locations identified in the Gas System Long Term Plan to initiate and pilot its first load growth NPA project in lieu of traditional pipeline reinforcement(s).

# Several Factors Determine the Potential for Avoiding or Deferring Distribution Upgrades

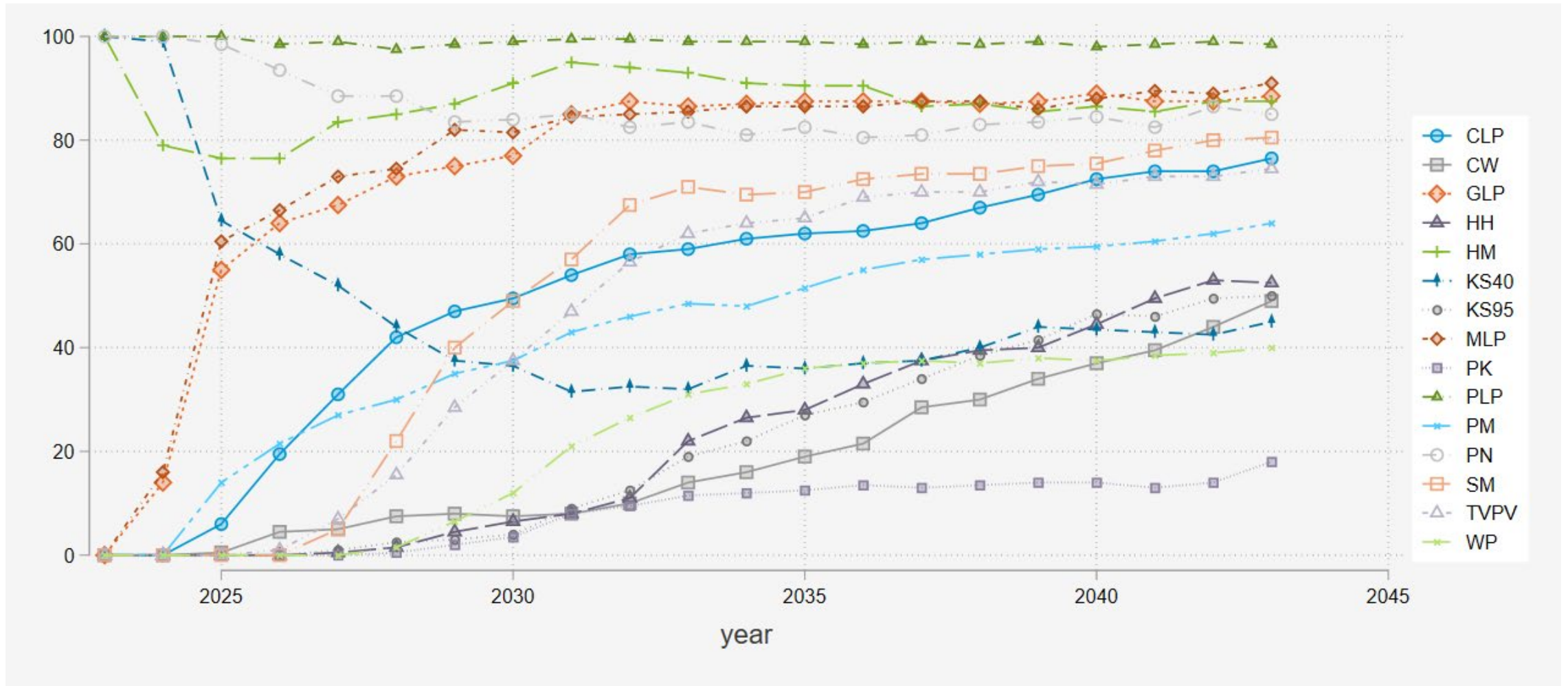


# A Key Goal: Identify Highly-Loaded Gas Systems



The visual represents each local system as a single value (or color) – the difference between the inlet and lowest pressure point (i.e., the most extreme pressure drop). In practice, different customers within each local system experience different levels of pressure, and most customers do not experience the most extreme pressure drop.

# We also estimated the likelihood of upgrades, absent additional interventions





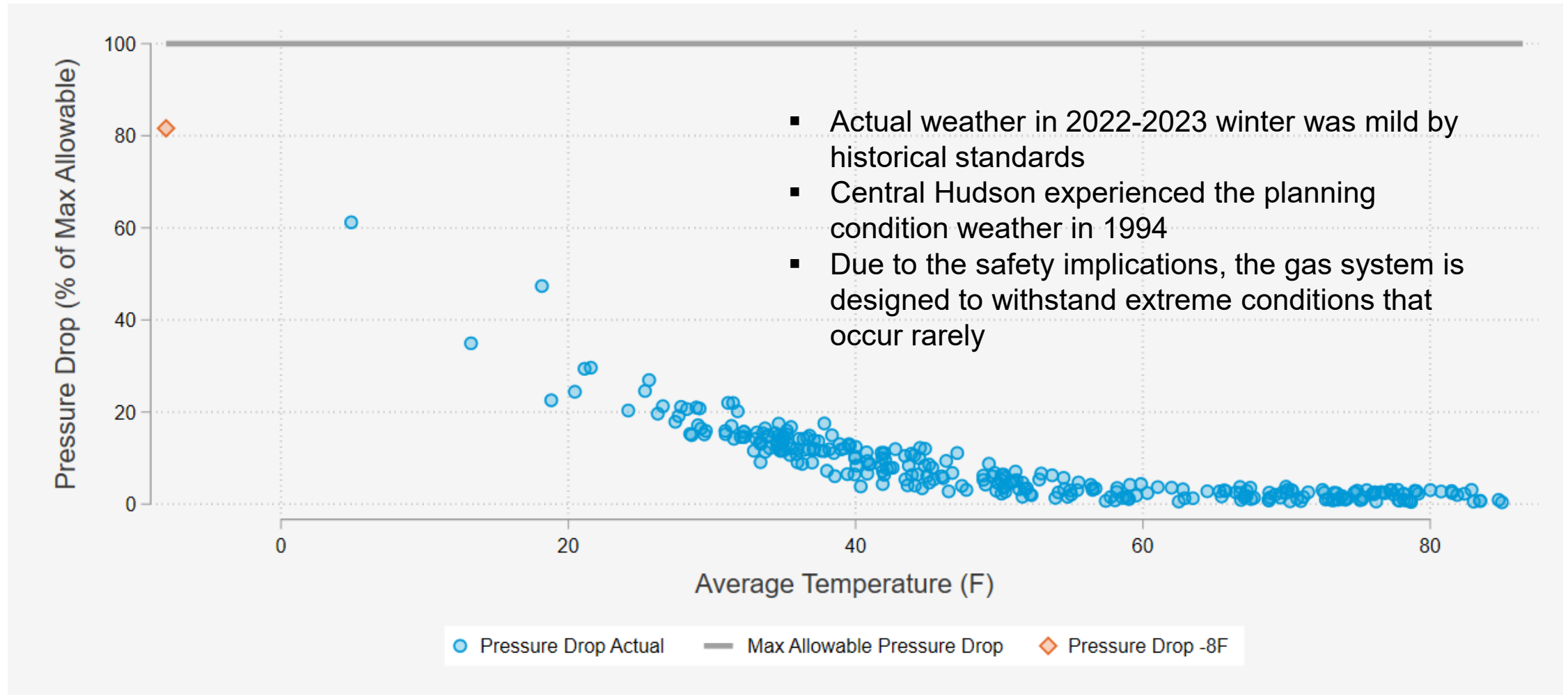
# We also included the location specific distribution deferral value (\$/Ccf-year)

- Developed estimates for each local system by year
- High level process for each local system
  - Estimate the capital cost if a growth-related growth rate is needed
  - Montecarlo simulation of forecasted load growth
  - Estimate the magnitude of resources needed to limit growth and avoid upgrades (for each location, run, and year)
  - Annualize costs of deferral period
  - Assess the likelihood of overloads/upgrades by year
  - Estimate the expected distribution avoided cost per Ccf-year

System	Capital Cost	10 year Levelized value	20 year Levelized value	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033
B	\$1,646,771	\$0.00	\$4.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BN	\$486,477	\$0.00	\$3.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CFNM	\$3,104,643	\$225.01	\$378.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$78.51	\$308.44	\$372.96	\$392.17	\$440.48	\$556.29	\$689.90
CLP	\$1,128,575	\$825.34	\$1,127.68	\$0.00	\$68.47	\$243.75	\$581.80	\$952.15	\$1,152.93	\$1,317.58	\$1,612.87	\$1,897.25	\$2,009.08
CMP	\$1,085,880	\$0.00	\$75.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CSSB	\$233,719	\$346.71	\$239.02	\$299.86	\$310.95	\$322.46	\$334.39	\$346.76	\$359.59	\$372.90	\$386.69	\$401.00	\$415.84
CW	\$3,867,904	\$594.34	\$1,406.54	\$0.00	\$68.06	\$418.97	\$475.70	\$686.76	\$791.06	\$852.29	\$1,089.96	\$1,200.63	\$1,332.38
GLP	\$95,616	\$322.11	\$297.55	\$50.95	\$208.51	\$268.21	\$304.73	\$362.17	\$388.33	\$433.34	\$485.80	\$509.38	\$528.22
HH	\$10,406,216	\$270.81	\$1,582.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$22.29	\$87.80	\$209.13	\$424.34	\$547.91	\$862.24	\$1,409.51
HM	\$2,310,100	\$5,806.58	\$4,003.10	\$5,021.99	\$5,207.81	\$5,400.49	\$5,600.31	\$5,807.52	\$6,022.40	\$6,245.23	\$6,476.31	\$6,715.93	\$6,964.42
KLP	\$4,570,215	\$0.00	\$239.91	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
KM	\$2,637,552	\$0.00	\$241.51	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
KS40	\$619,970	\$3,455.47	\$2,382.23	\$2,888.56	\$3,099.14	\$3,213.81	\$3,332.72	\$3,456.03	\$3,583.91	\$3,716.51	\$3,854.02	\$3,996.62	\$4,144.49
KS95	\$991,458	\$120.79	\$620.76	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$28.89	\$77.41	\$99.76	\$152.10	\$279.34	\$376.22	\$547.52
LNW	\$2,752,868	\$0.00	\$30.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
MLP	\$1,441,700	\$5,041.41	\$4,448.16	\$742.46	\$3,355.93	\$4,220.34	\$5,111.89	\$5,774.26	\$6,519.43	\$6,833.62	\$7,164.93	\$7,514.41	\$7,792.44
NFE	\$430,810	\$0.00	\$287.83	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NFW	\$842,050	\$0.00	\$29.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
NLP	\$4,131,674	\$66.31	\$676.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9.04	\$9.38	\$52.54	\$209.79	\$245.36	\$358.71
PK	\$3,392,282	\$61.43	\$301.86	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.95	\$31.74	\$98.14	\$158.05	\$237.44	\$290.37
PLP	\$1,052,481	\$77.42	\$53.37	\$66.96	\$69.44	\$72.01	\$74.67	\$77.43	\$80.30	\$83.27	\$86.35	\$89.55	\$92.86
PM	\$539,231	\$246.00	\$290.03	\$0.00	\$87.53	\$141.11	\$246.40	\$302.00	\$342.35	\$360.19	\$407.70	\$441.78	\$469.98
PN	\$6,186,000	\$1,951.94	\$1,345.41	\$1,687.85	\$1,750.30	\$1,815.06	\$1,882.22	\$1,951.86	\$2,024.08	\$2,098.97	\$2,176.63	\$2,257.16	\$2,340.68
SM	\$2,816,856	\$452.06	\$1,012.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$51.11	\$228.66	\$476.52	\$799.35	\$1,019.62	\$1,426.34	\$1,670.57
SP	\$372,428	\$0.60	\$84.74	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$8.79
STCRK	\$1,175,975	\$0.00	\$17.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
TVPV	\$72,965	\$172.92	\$399.07	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.60	\$30.47	\$87.57	\$189.97	\$327.36	\$403.36	\$520.88	\$644.27
W	\$231,743	\$0.00	\$1.26	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
WP	\$811,426	\$87.77	\$309.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10.50	\$39.65	\$127.93	\$234.10	\$320.74	\$435.15
Central Hudson Avg. (load-weighted)		\$207.46	\$361.03	\$114.71	\$125.01	\$142.93	\$160.19	\$191.48	\$223.14	\$259.05	\$298.89	\$351.43	\$416.22

Central Hudson Gas Long Term Plan, Appendix A, Table 6

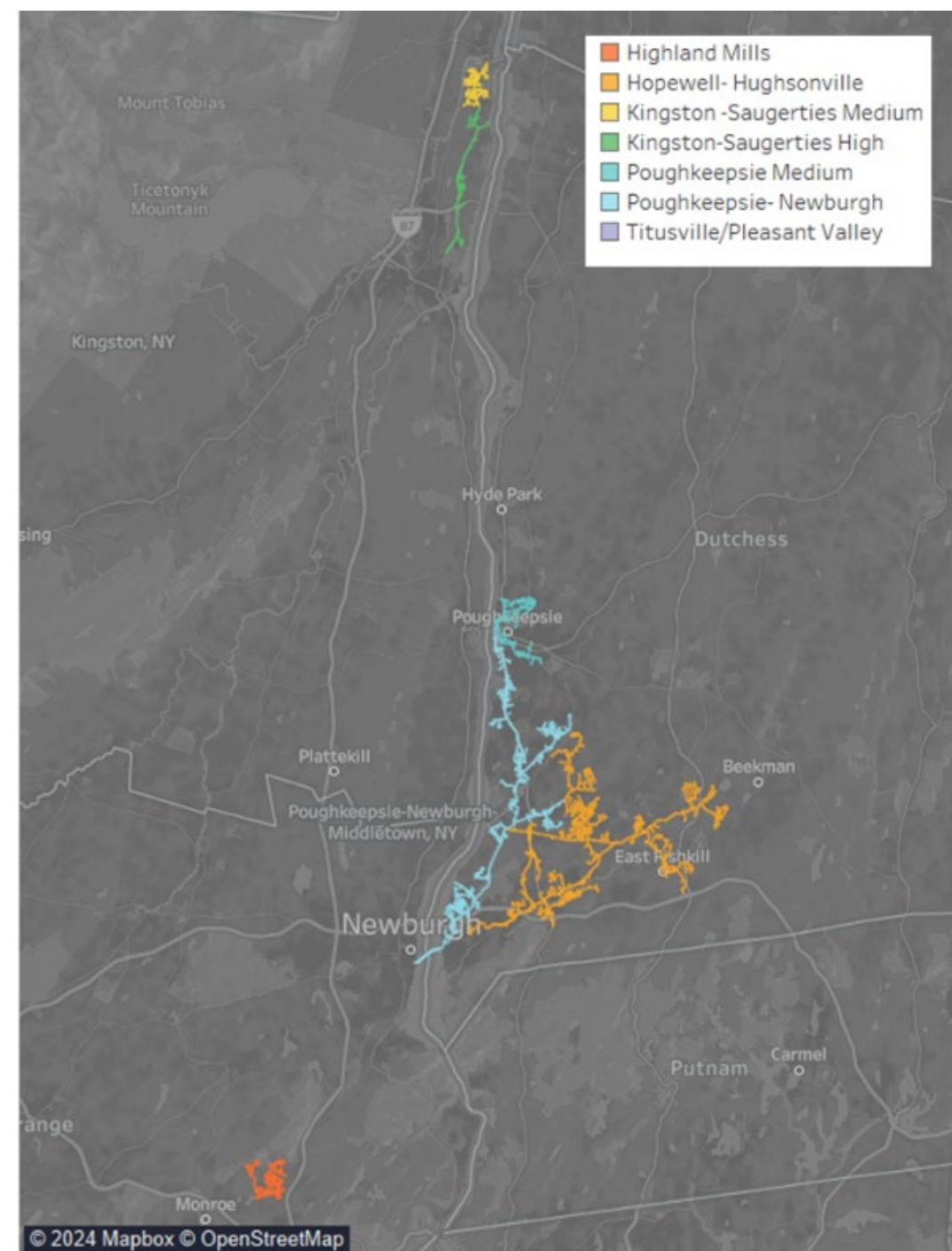
# Central Hudson designs its gas system for -8 average daily temperature conditions



# Identified 7 Local System Where Load Management is Beneficial

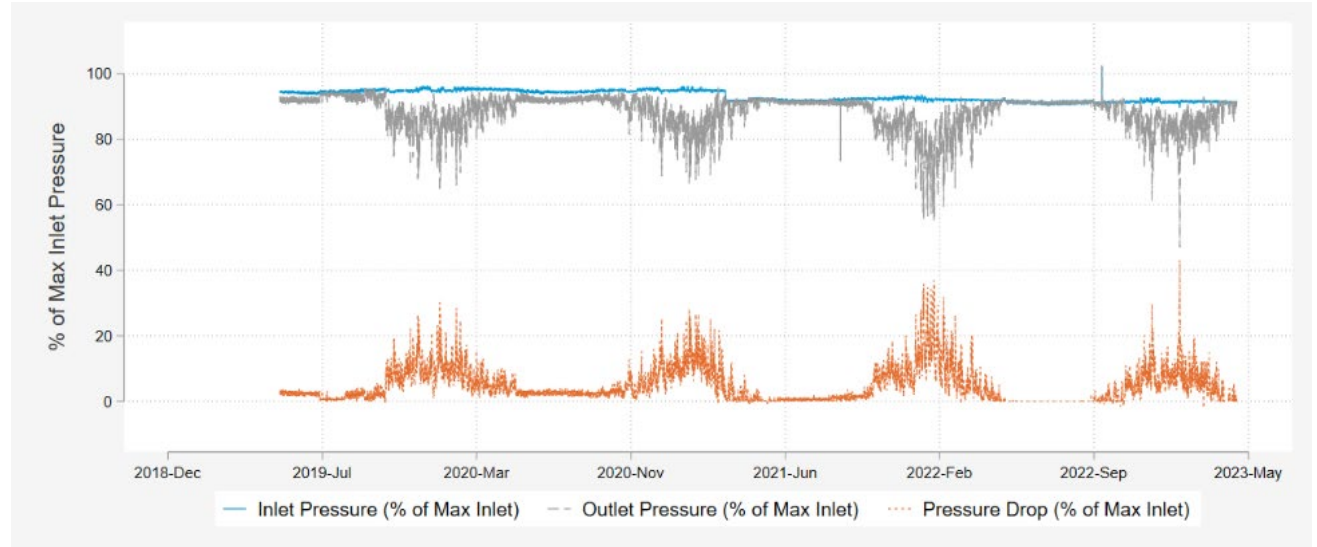
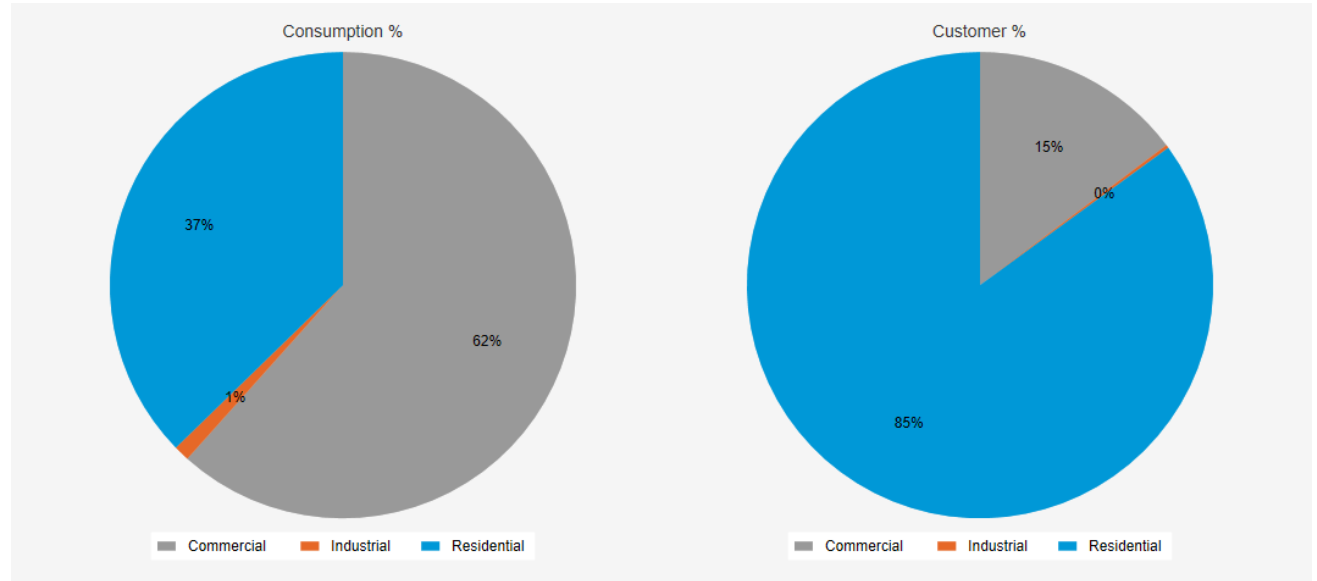
## For each location, the report includes:

- Descriptive statistics on the size of the system;
- The composition of customers served by the line;
- Historical peak pressure drops;
- The hourly load profile on peak days;
- The pressure drop duration curve;
- Weather sensitivity of pressure drops;
- 20-year pressure drop forecasts with uncertainty; and
- The avoidable distribution capacity value

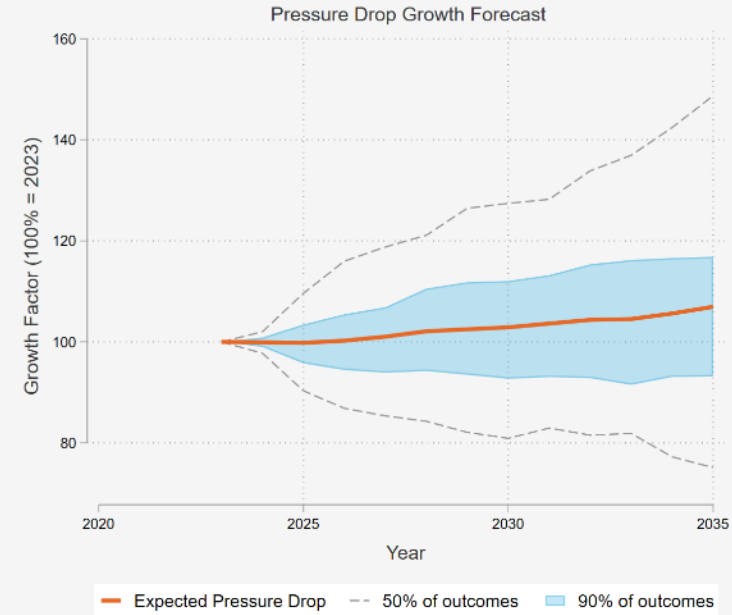
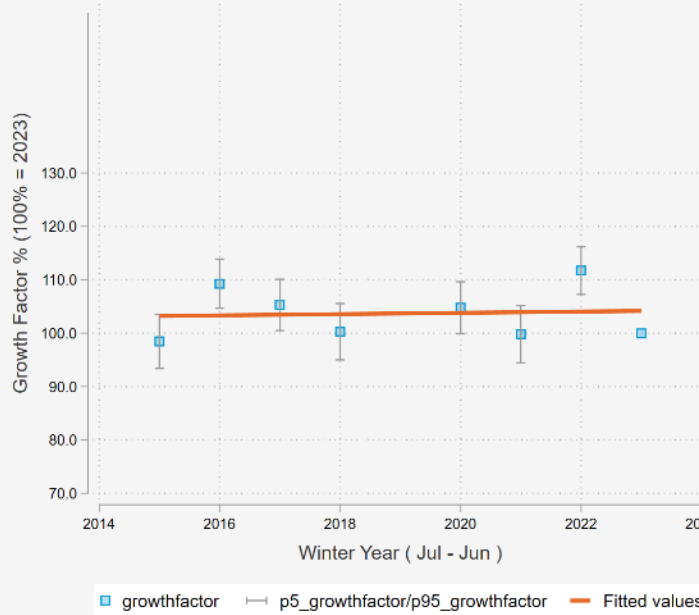
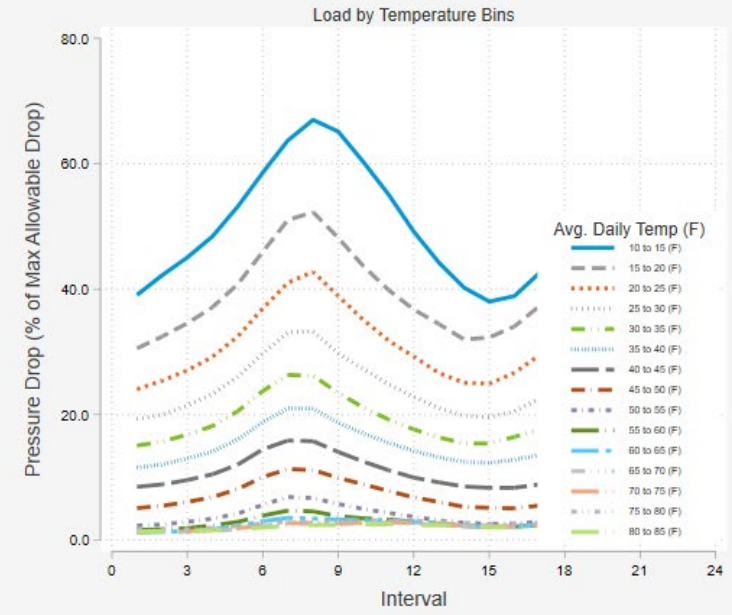
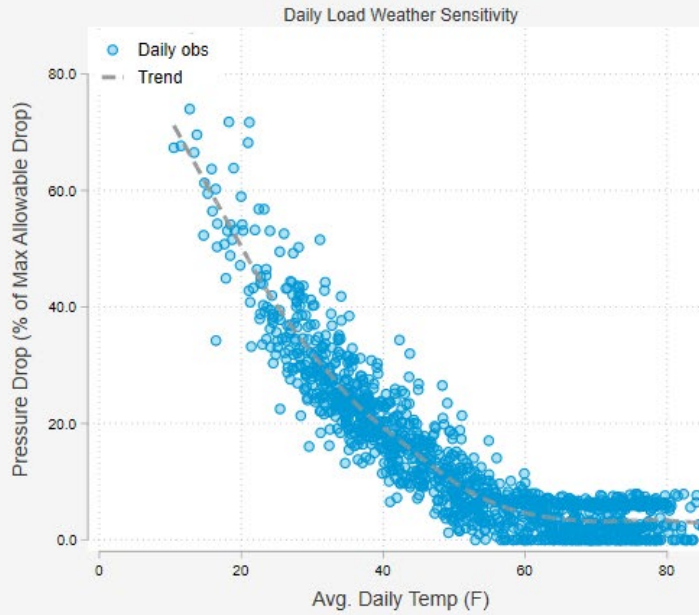


# Poughkeepsie-Newburgh Local System

<b>2023 Loading Actual:</b>	86.1%
<b>2023 Loading Planning (-8F)</b>	113.0%
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	0.12%
<b>Number of Customers:</b>	5,403
<b>Probability of upgrade by 2034</b>	81.0%
<b>10 year levelized avoided cost</b>	\$1951.54 per Ccf-year

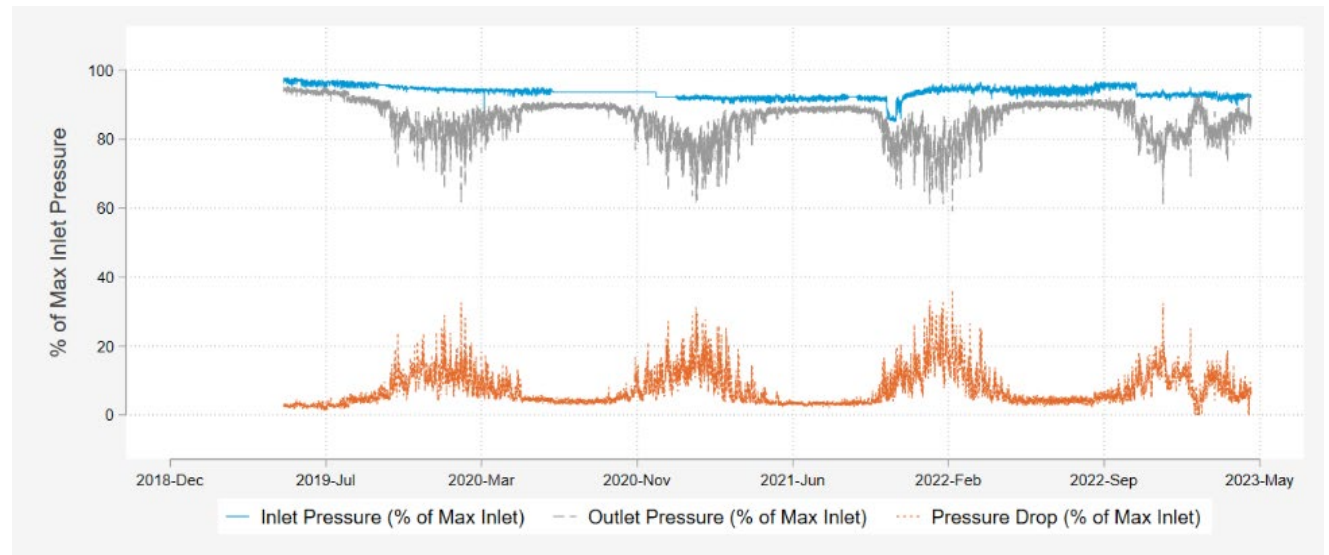
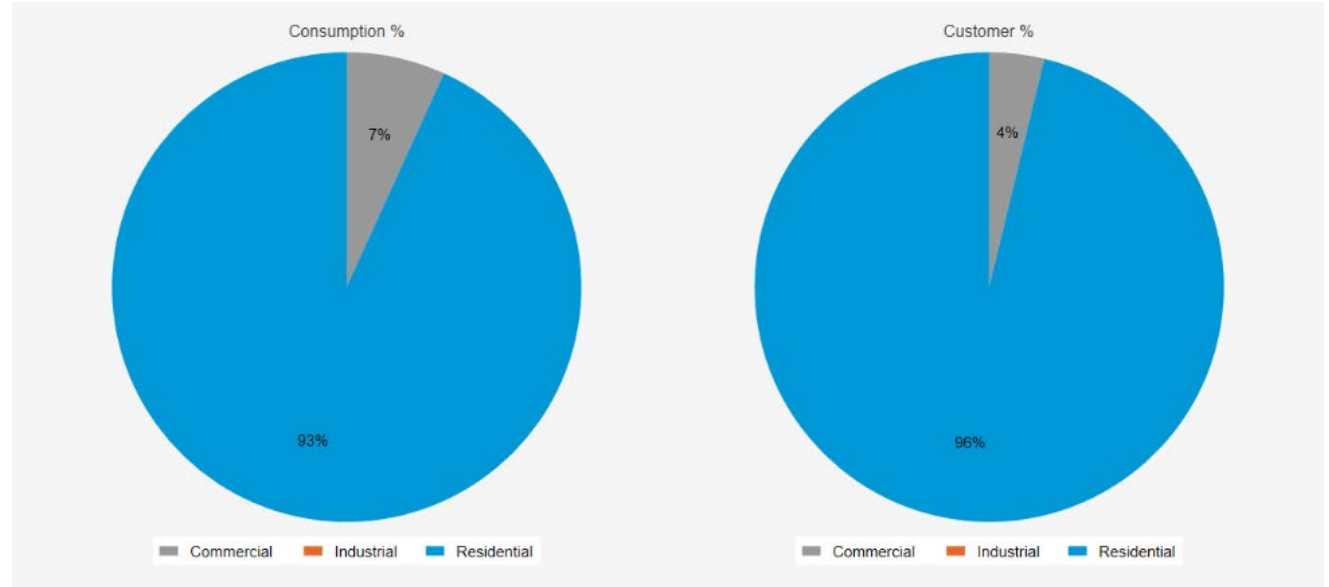


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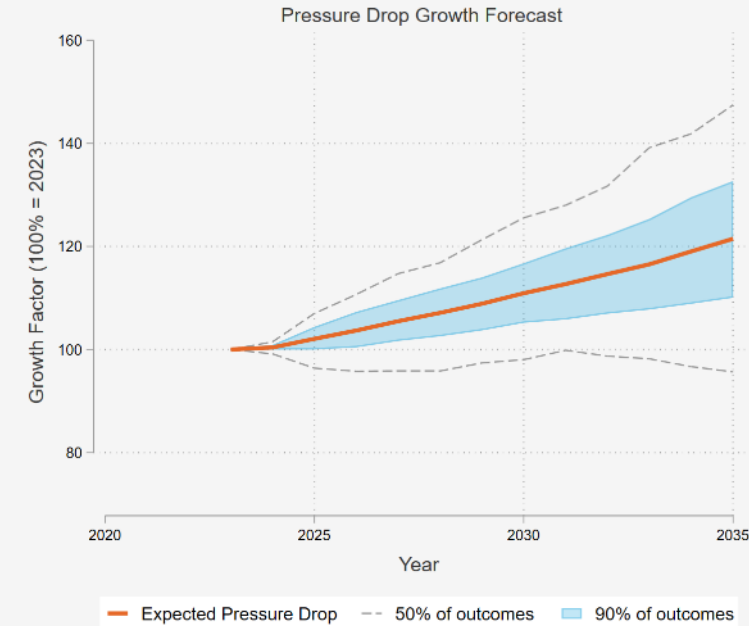
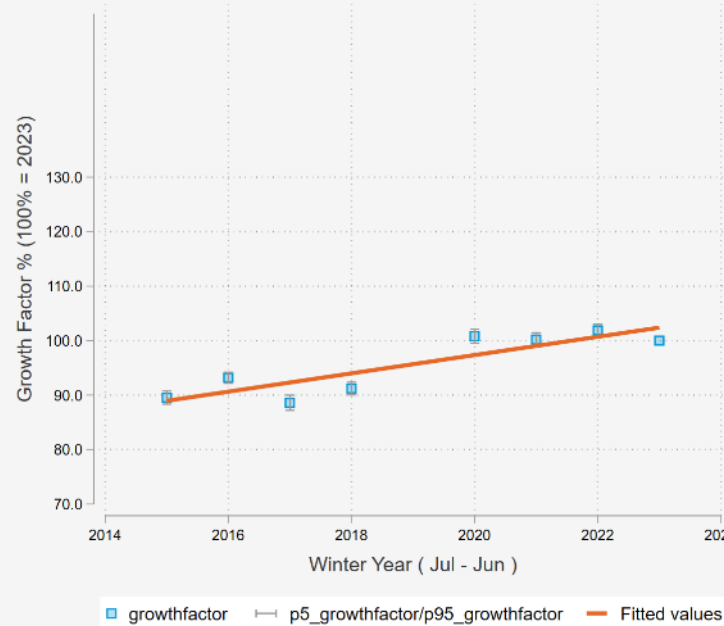
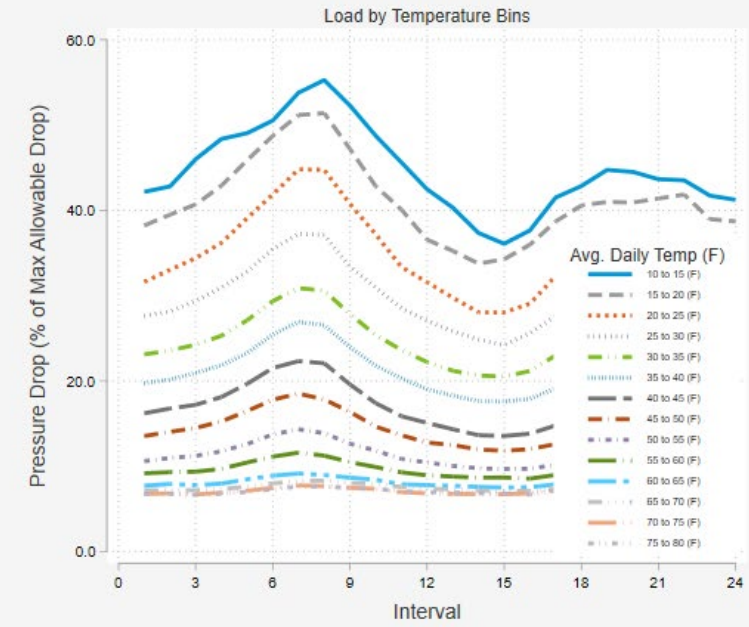
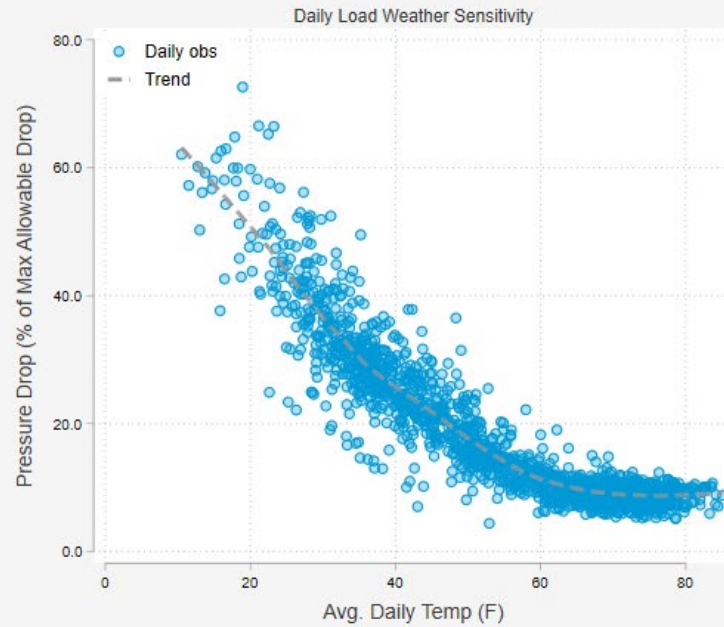


# Highland Mills Local System

<b>2023 Loading Actual:</b>	64.8%
<b>2023 Loading Planning (-8F)</b>	100.1%
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	1.68%
<b>Number of Customers:</b>	1,647
<b>Probability of upgrade by 2034</b>	91.0%
<b>10 year levelized avoided cost</b>	\$5,806.58 per Ccf-year

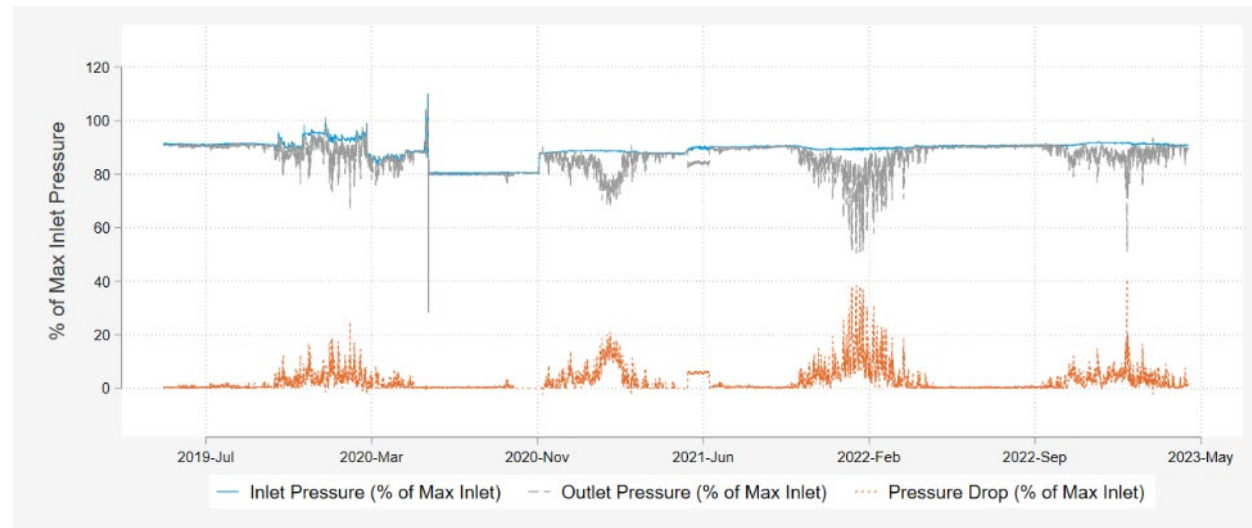
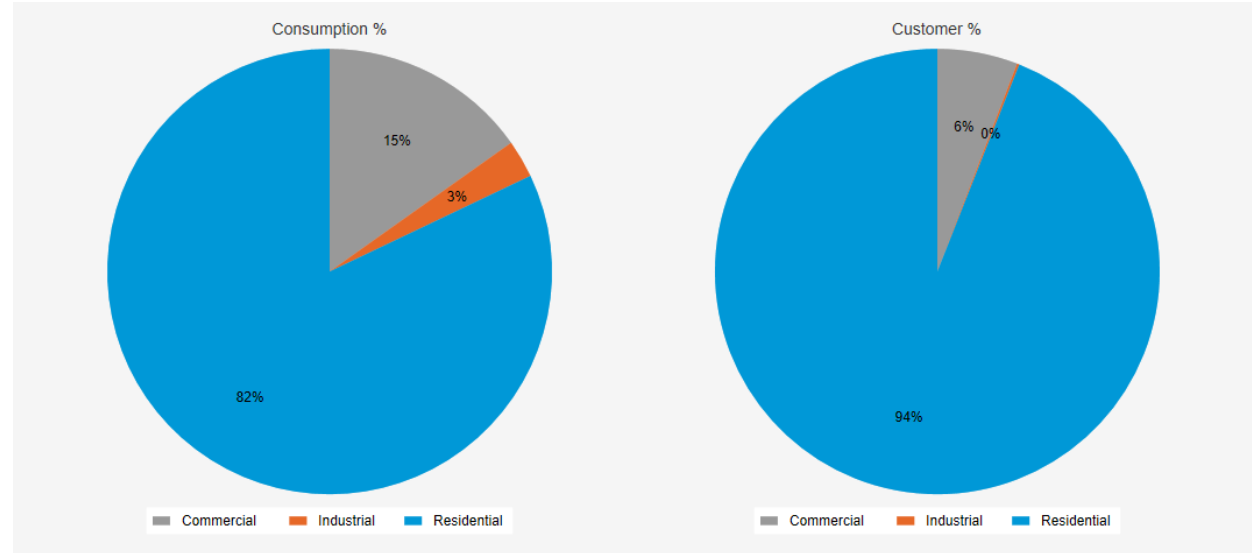


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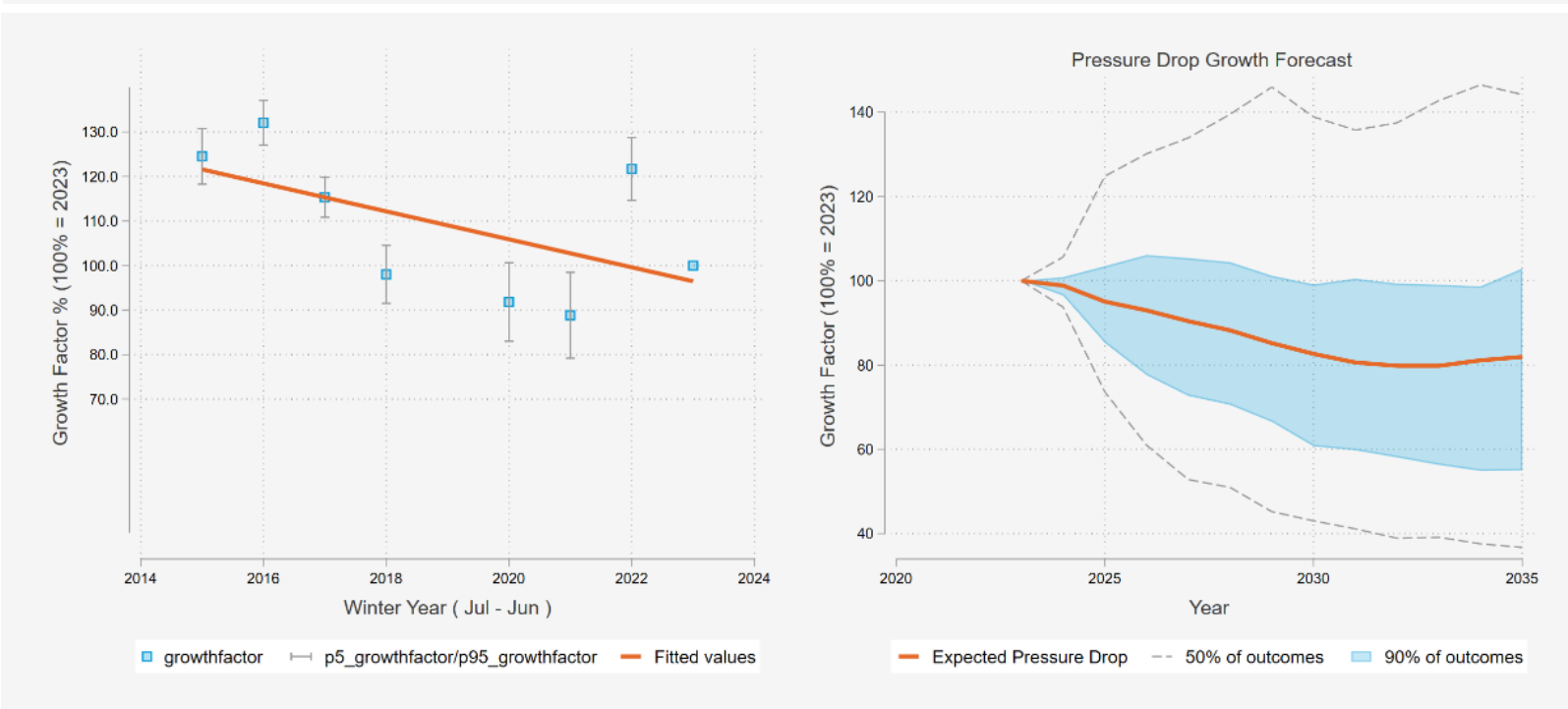
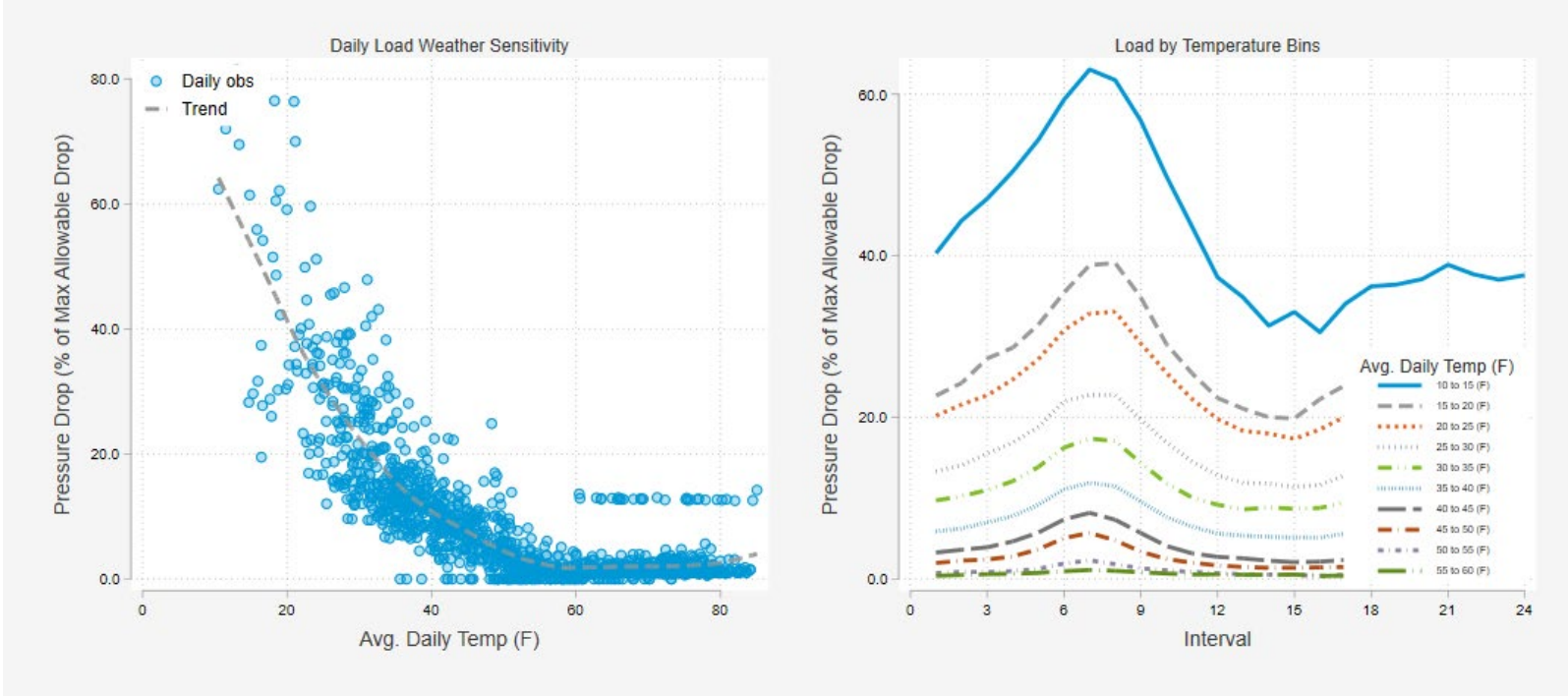
# Kingston-Saugerties High Pressure System

<b>2023 Loading Actual:</b>	81.5%
<b>2023 Loading Planning (-8F)</b>	112.4%
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	-3.14%
<b>Number of Customers:</b>	585
<b>Probability of upgrade by 2034</b>	91.0%
<b>10 year levelized avoided cost</b>	\$5,806.58 per Ccf-year



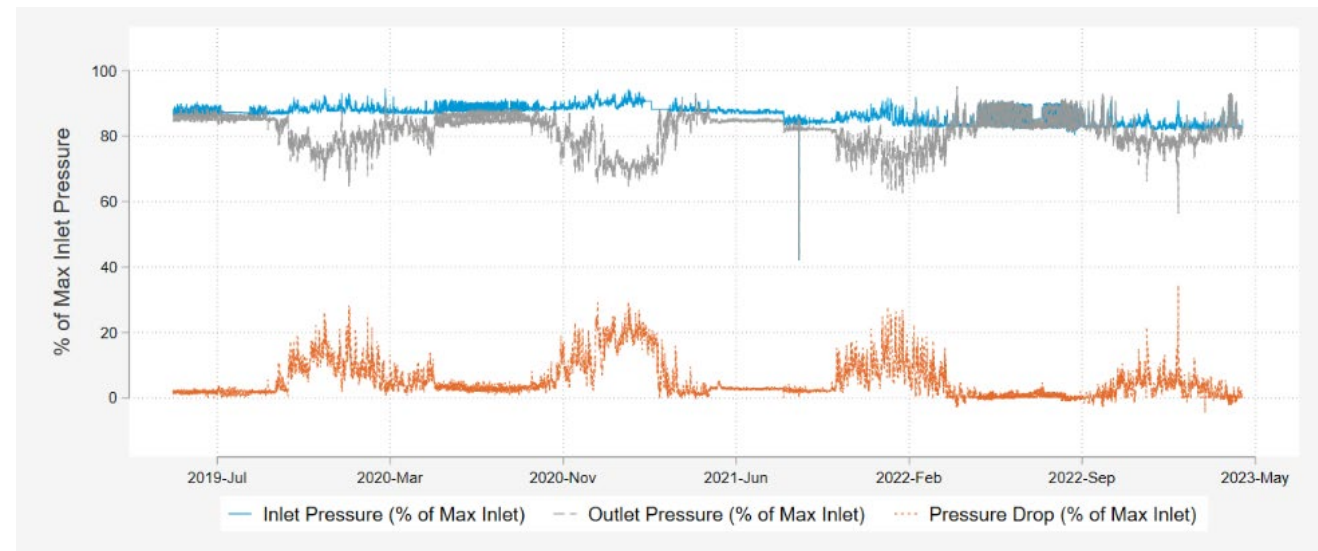
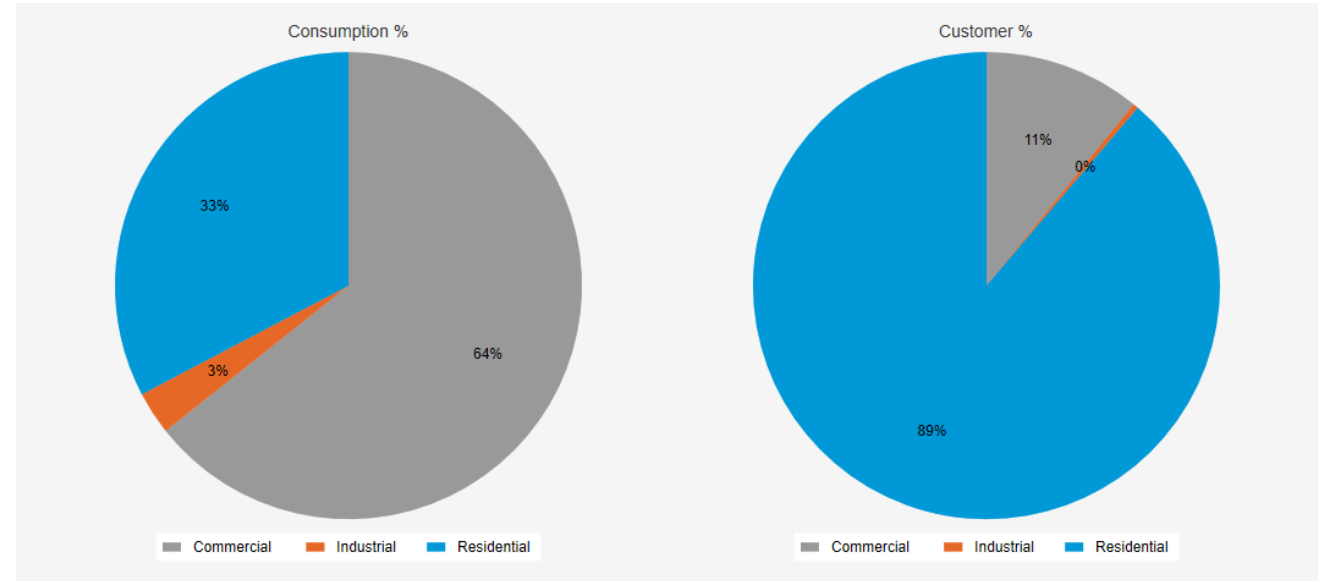


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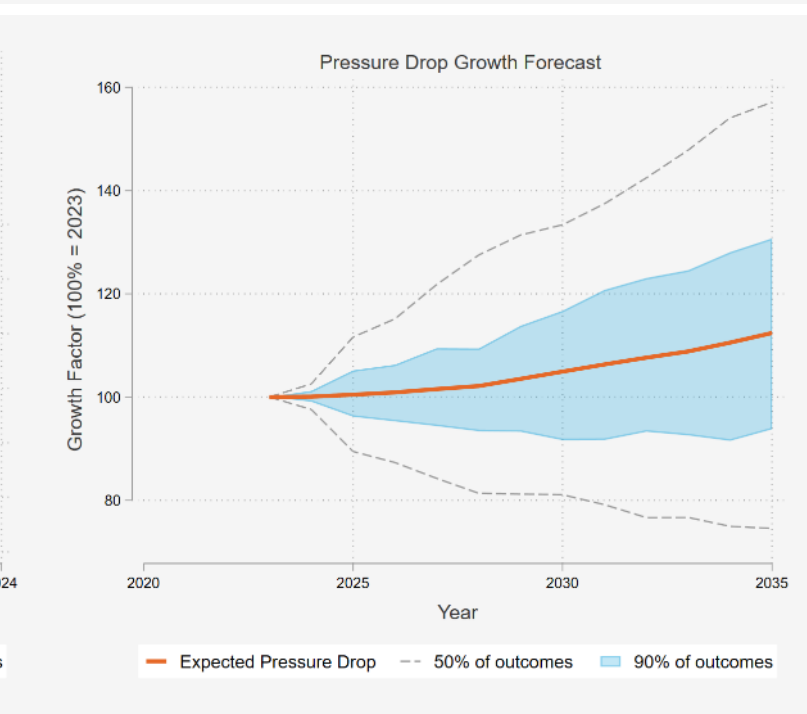
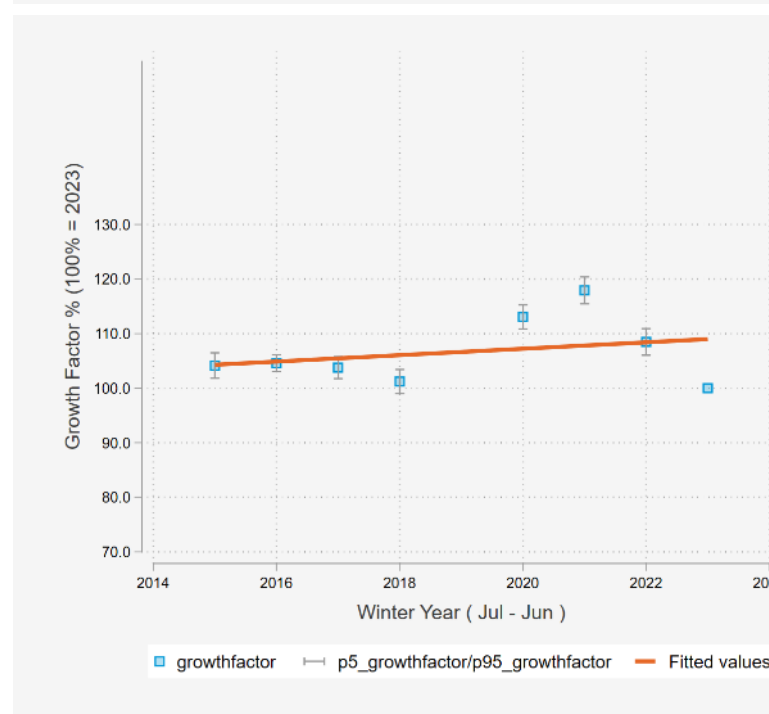
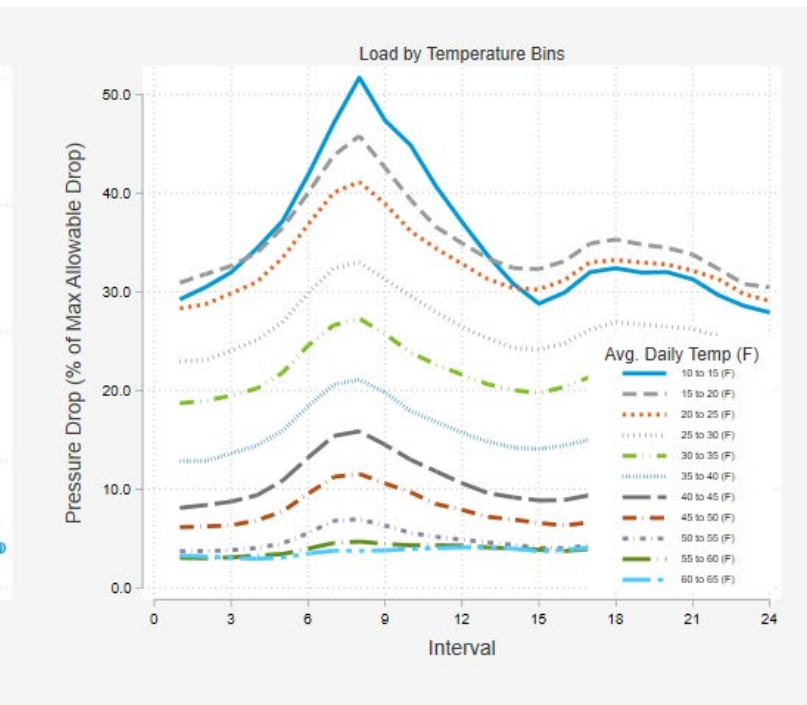
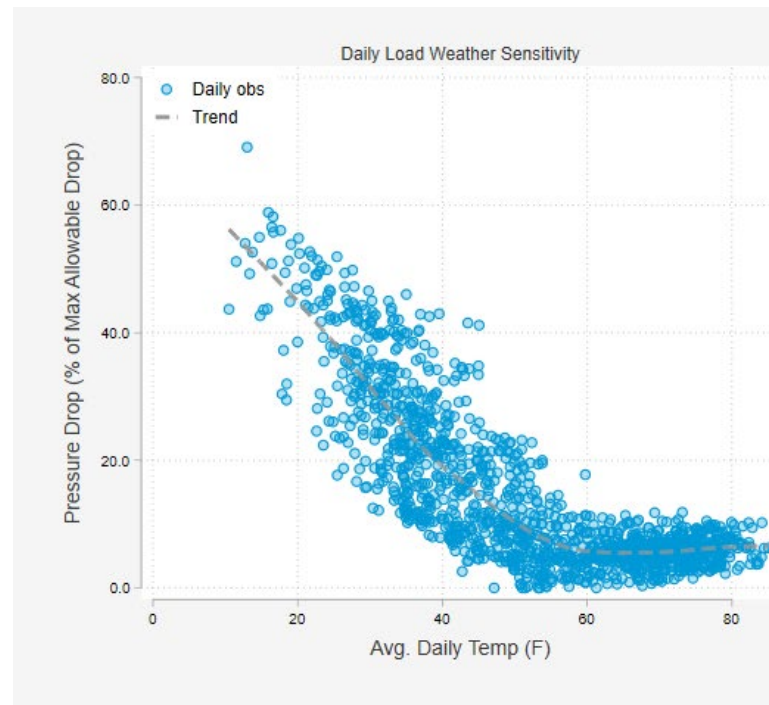


# Poughkeepsie Medium Pressure System

<b>2023 Loading Actual:</b>	69.1%
<b>2023 Loading Planning (-8F)</b>	92.6%
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	0.59%
<b>Number of Customers:</b>	1,970
<b>Probability of upgrade by 2034</b>	48.0%
<b>10 year levelized avoided cost</b>	\$246.00 per Ccf-year

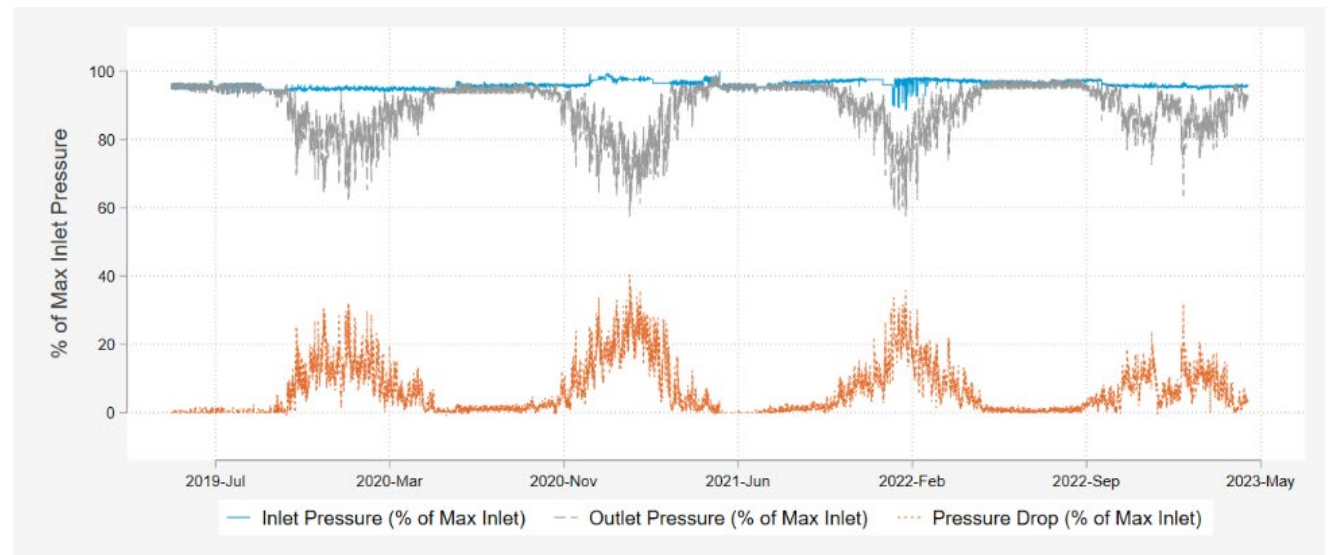
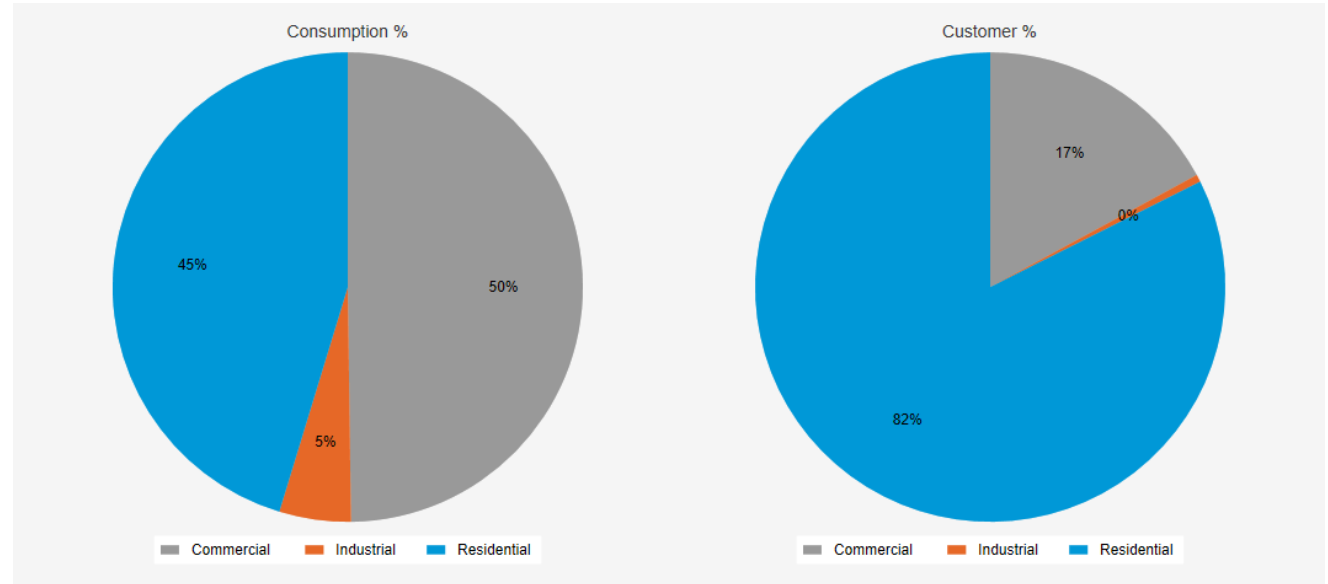


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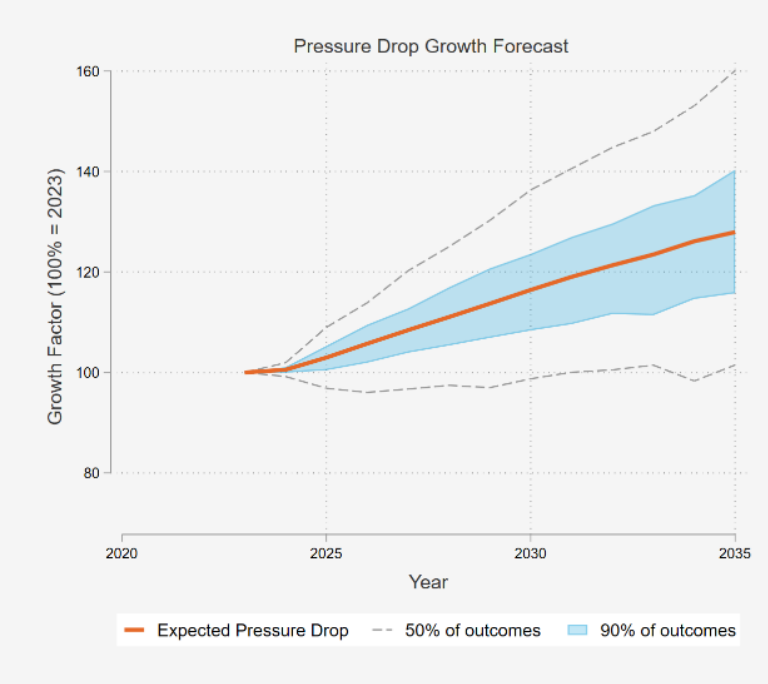
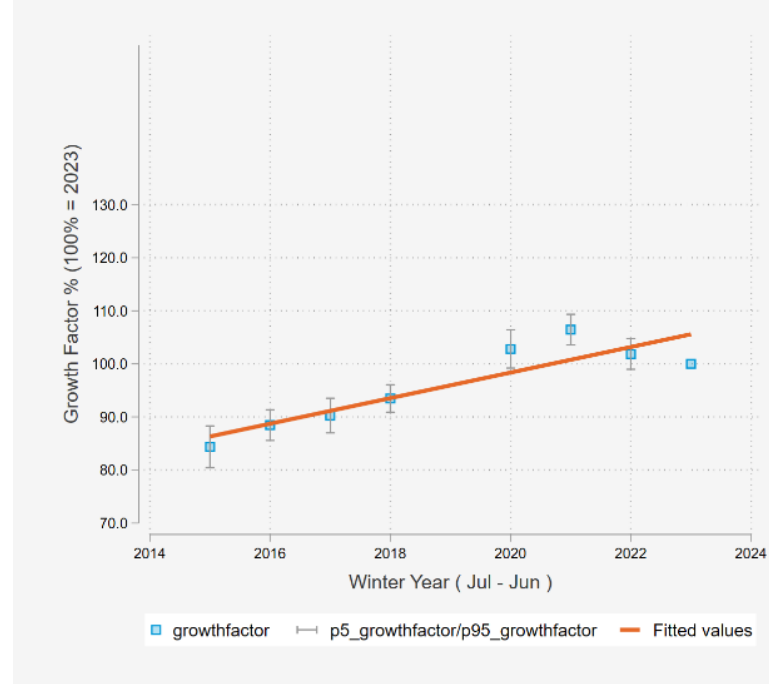
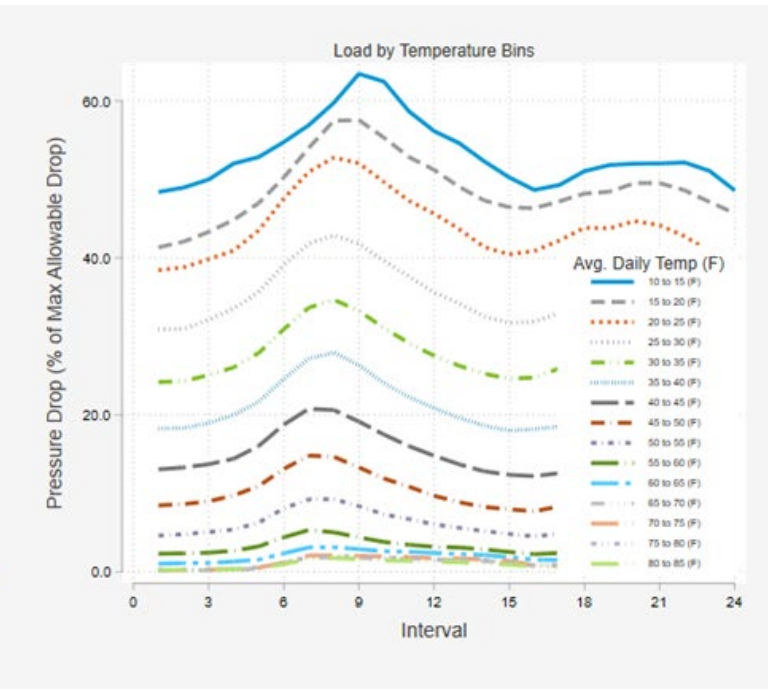
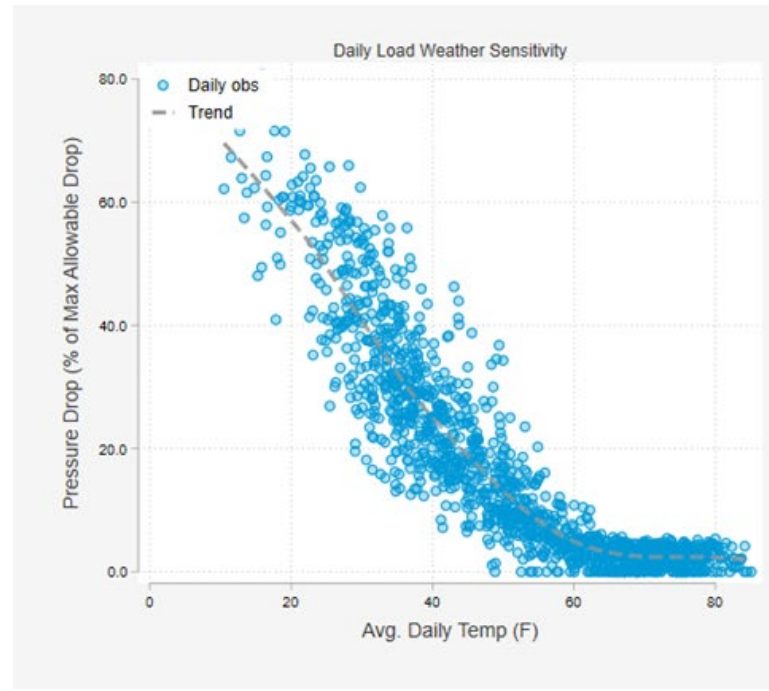


# Titusville-Pleasant Valley System

<b>2023 Loading Actual:</b>	63.9%
<b>2023 Loading Planning (-8F)</b>	83.9%
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	2.41%
<b>Number of Customers:</b>	2,606
<b>Probability of upgrade by 2034</b>	64.0%
<b>10 year levelized avoided cost</b>	\$172.92 per Ccf-year

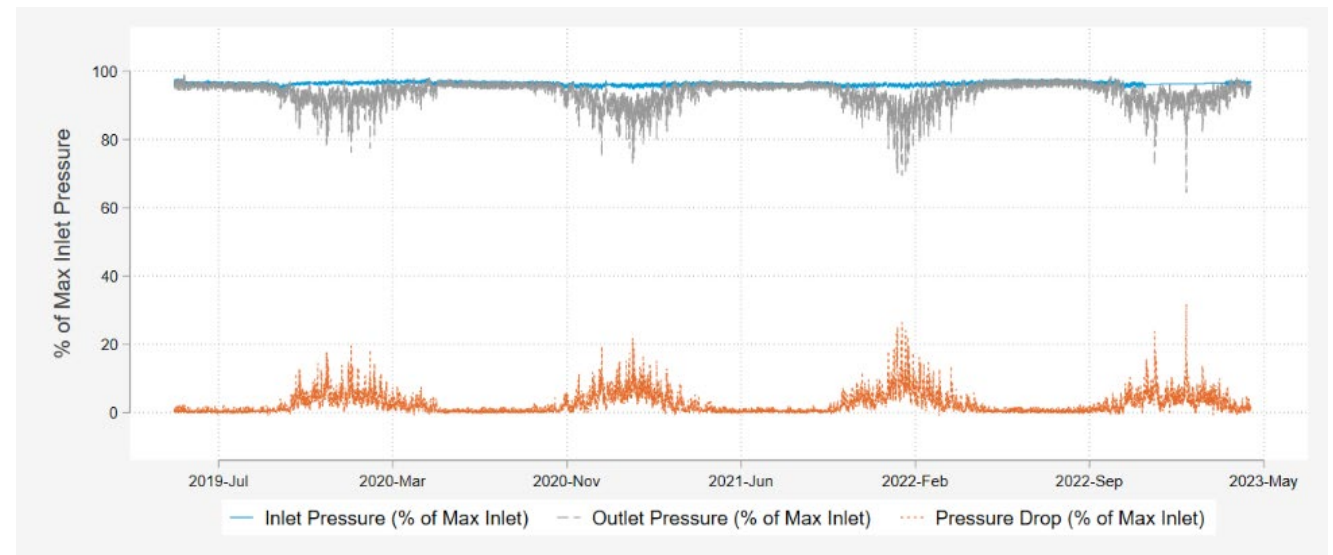
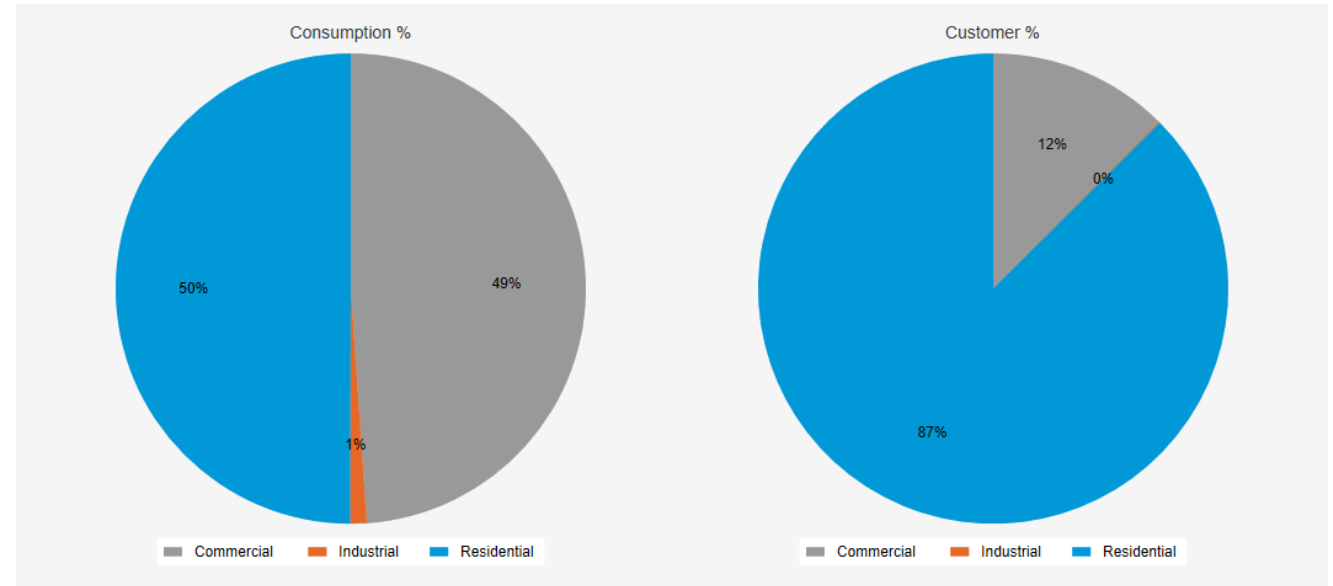


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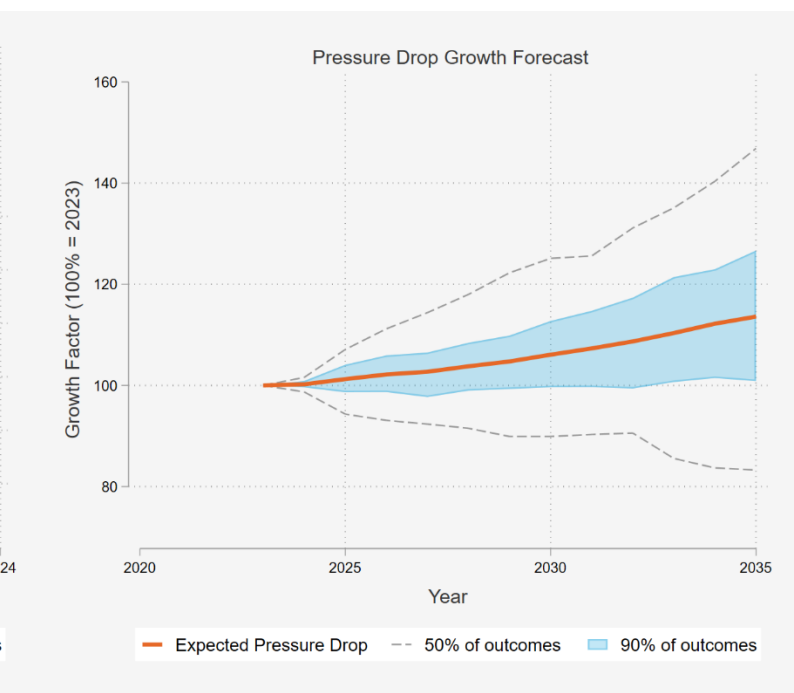
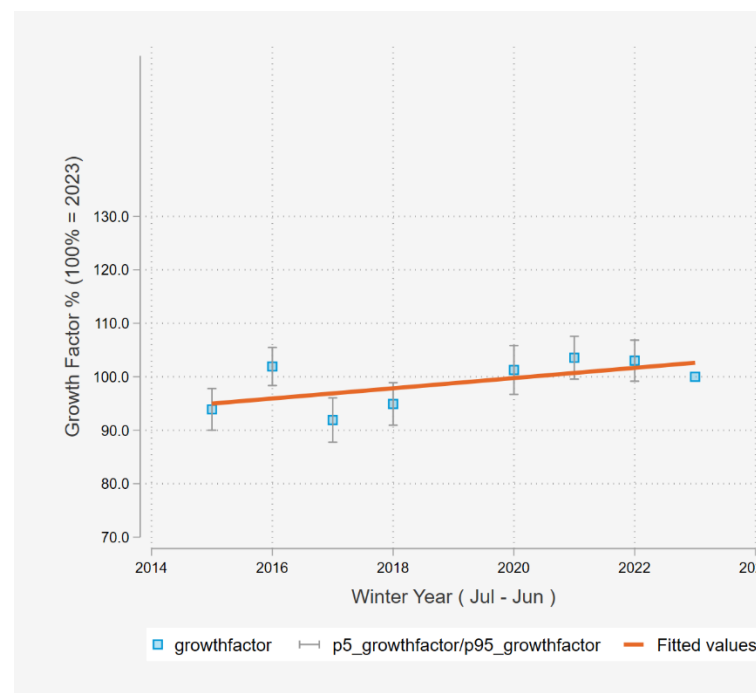
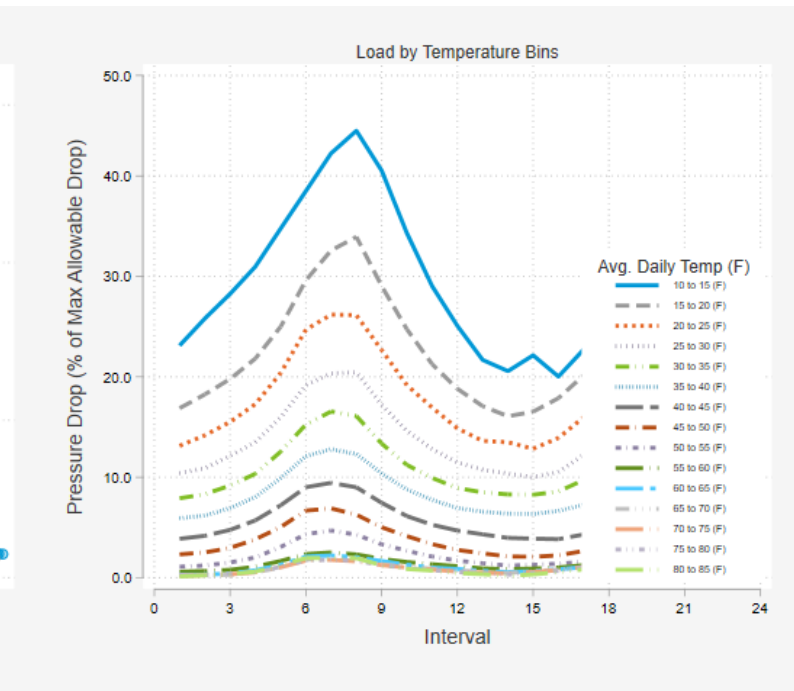
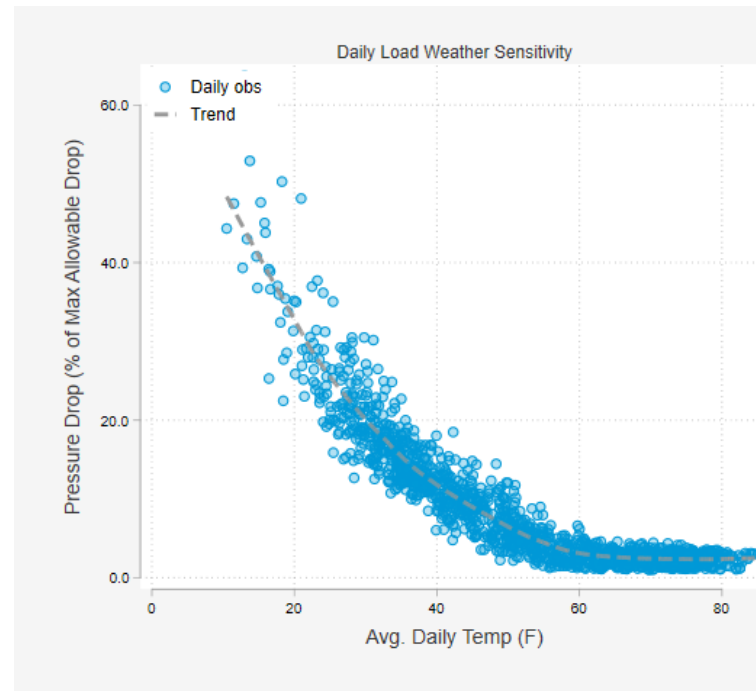


# Hopewell Hughsonville System

<b>2023 Loading Actual:</b>	52.9%
<b>2023 Loading Planning (-8F)</b>	79.7%
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	0.96%
<b>Number of Customers:</b>	6,943
<b>Probability of upgrade by 2034</b>	26.50%
<b>10 year levelized avoided cost</b>	\$270.81 per Ccf-year

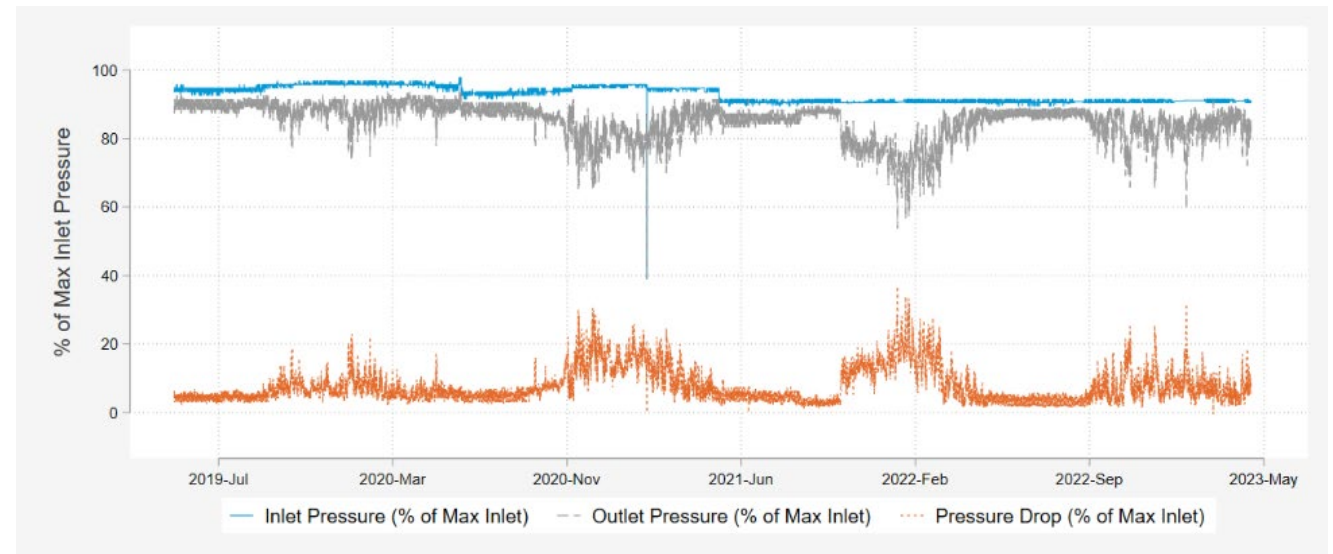
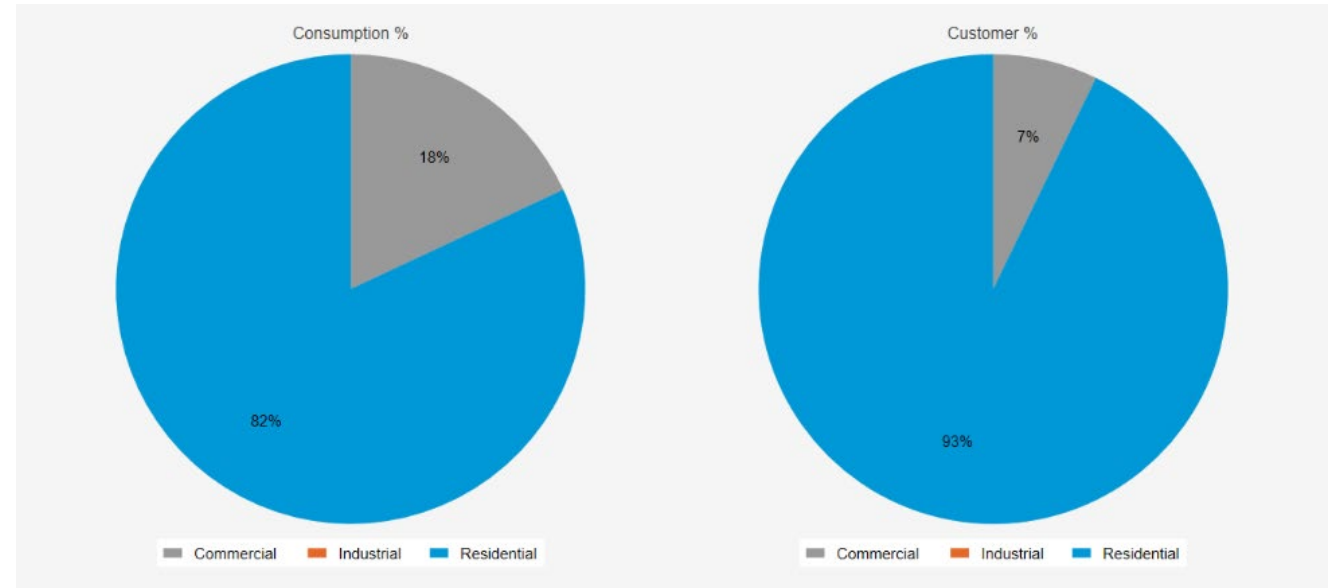


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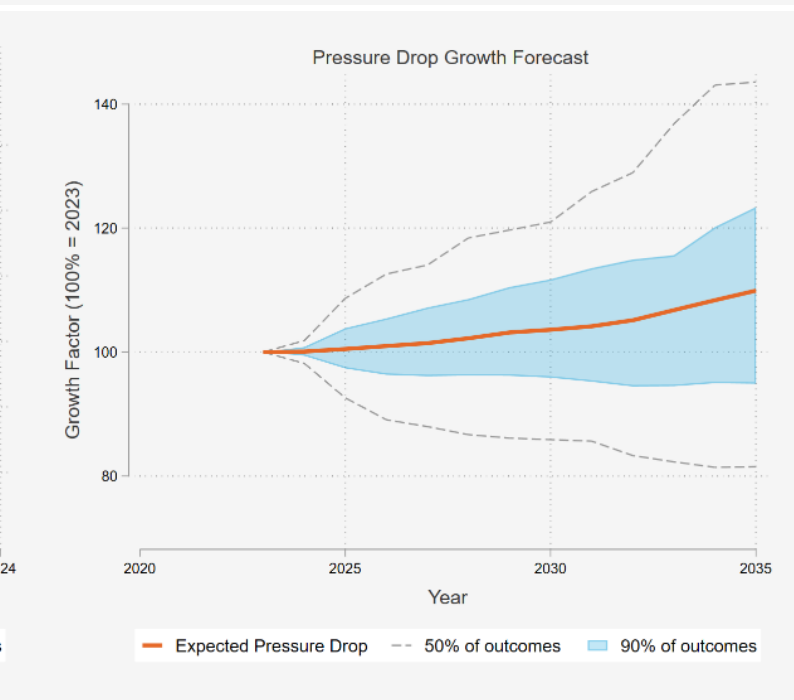
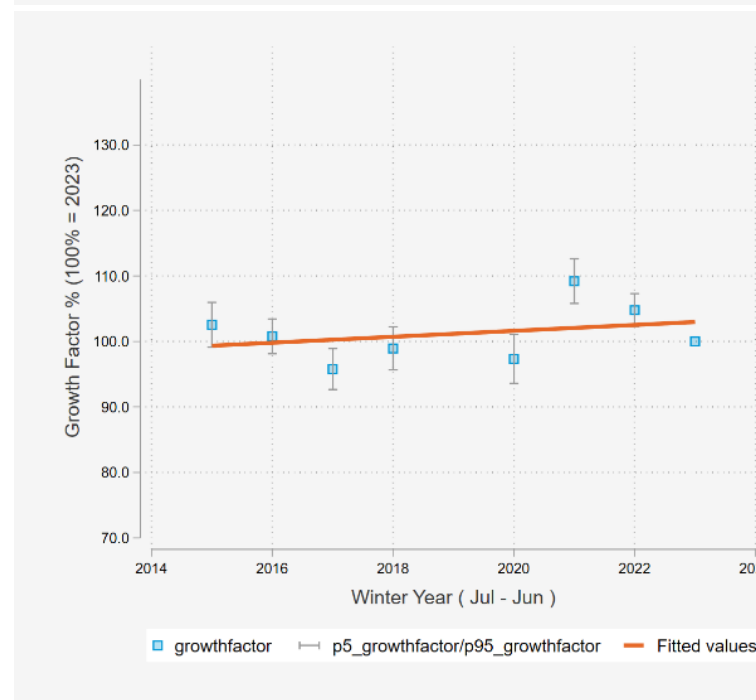
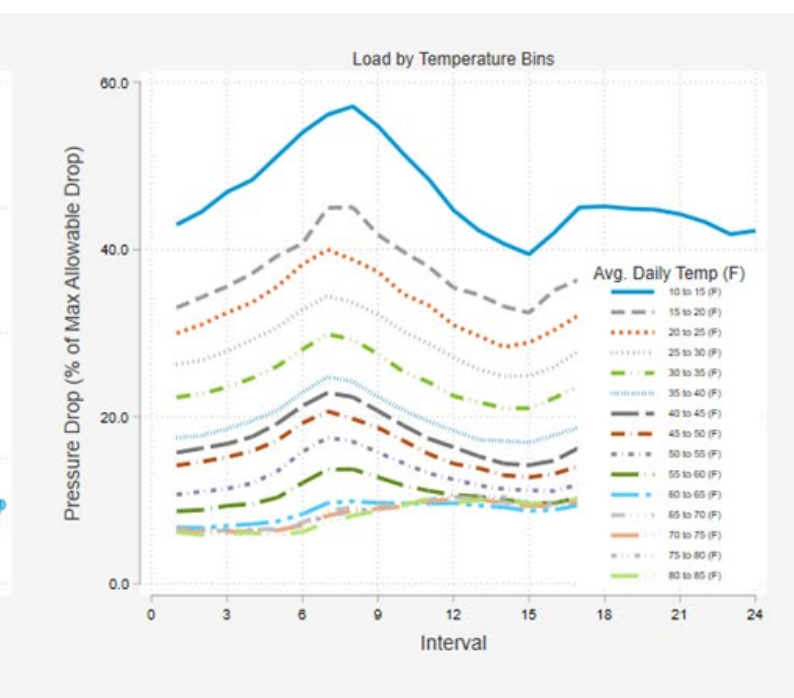
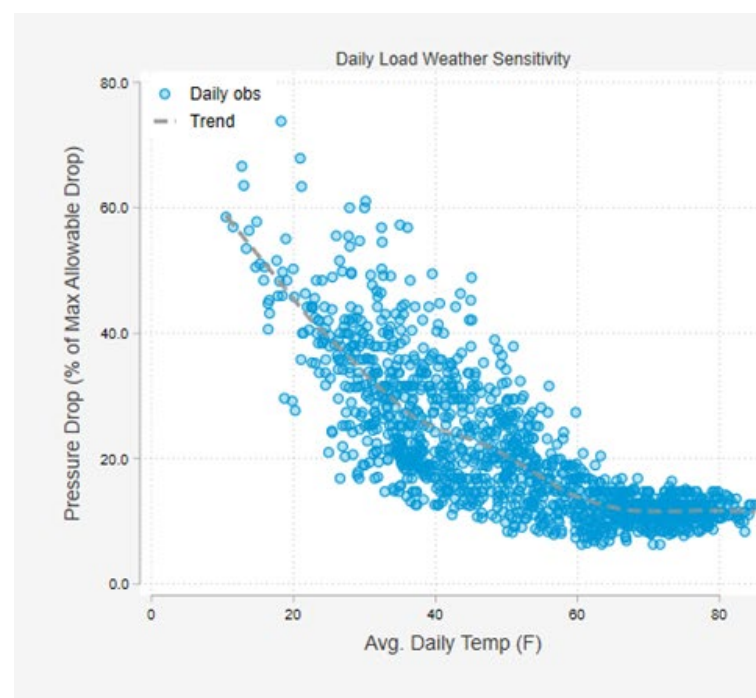
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<b>2023 Loading Actual:</b>	63.6%
<b>2023 Loading Planning (-8F)</b>	82.2%
<b>Growth Rate:</b>	0.45%
<b>Number of Customers:</b>	1,272
<b>Probability of upgrade by 2034</b>	22.0%
<b>10 year levelized avoided cost</b>	\$120.79 per Ccf-year





# Kingston Saugerties Medium Pressure



# Questions

