

## PRESS RELEASE

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### **OSMOSE TO PERFORM FIELD INVENTORY PROJECT FOR OKLAHOMA GAS & ELECTRIC**

TYRONE, Ga. - Oklahoma Gas & Electric (OG&E) has selected Osmose Utilities Services Inc. to perform a full asset inventory of its distribution network, complete with phasing and connectivity, of approximately 1.5 million inspection points as part of its Positive Energy® Smart Grid program.

OG&E serves more than 775,000 customers in Oklahoma and western Arkansas. This inventory project will support efforts to implement advanced metering, automation, communications, and information technology into their electric distribution system. These smart technologies are designed to reduce operating costs and provide customers with the information they need to better understand and manager their own energy use, ultimately saving money for both consumers and the utility.

Before these smart technologies can be implemented, OG&E must first create a high-quality digital model of their existing networks, and that's exactly what Osmose will provide. "By making a GIS inventory part of their Smart Grid implementation, OG&E recognizes that accurate, data, verified in the field, is a critical factor for a successful project" states Osmose Director – Technical Sales Jeremy Sadler. Asset and network data can also supplement efforts to improve safety, reliability, and efficient use of existing resources.

According to Sadler, "OG&E should be applauded as an industry leader for taking the important and challenging steps necessary to realize the best outcomes for their Smart Grid initiatives. Osmose is engaged with a number of utilities who believe that data quality will impact the deployment of this latest generation of 'Smart Grid-ready' software."

Once the inventory project is complete – a process that will take roughly 18 months – the data will be verified by Osmose and delivered to OG&E's geographic information system (GIS) mapping system where it will provide an accurate model to be used in the deployment of the smart grid distribution management system (DMS).

#### **About Osmose**

Founded in 1934, Osmose provides professional grade inspection, maintenance, and rehabilitation services for aging T&D infrastructure. Osmose also provides utility data solutions and pole engineering services - from GIS related surveys for network connectivity and joint use, to pole loading analysis for make-ready design and regulatory compliance. With more than 75 years of diverse experience and learning as a foundation, Osmose proudly serves America's utilities as they manage aging infrastructure and build tomorrow's intelligent utility. [www.osmoseutilities.com](http://www.osmoseutilities.com).

**OG&E** is Oklahoma's largest electric utility, serving more than 775,000 customers in Oklahoma and western Arkansas. OG&E is a subsidiary of Oklahoma city-based OGE Energy Corp. (NYSE: OGE), which also is the parent company of Enogex LLC, a midstream natural gas pipeline business with principal operations in Oklahoma. More information is available at [www.oge.com](http://www.oge.com).

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