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# Austin Energy's District Cooling Program

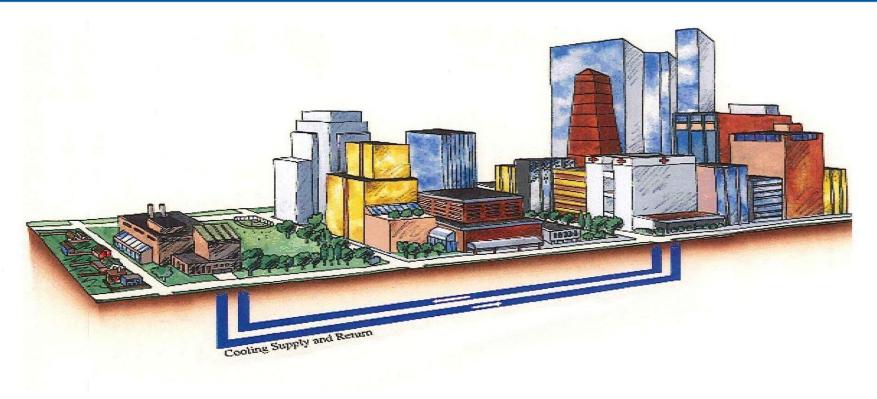
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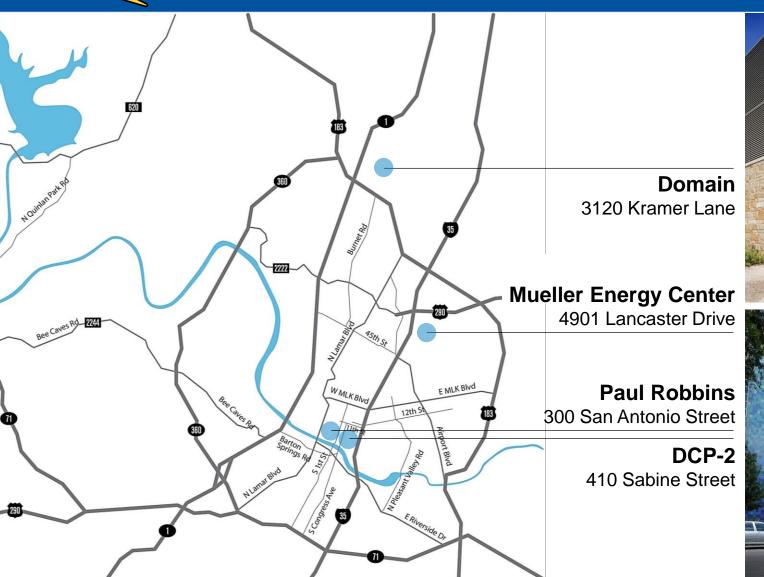
## **District Cooling**



- An underground network of pipes providing chilled water to meet the cooling needs of multiple buildings
- Gathering load generates superior energy savings, reliability and quality
- Thermal storage provides electrical demand management



## **District Cooling Plant Locations**









- District Cooling Program has connected 69 customers
- Over 19 million square feet of facilities (i.e. 165 City Halls)
- Summer of 2017 provided 17.2 MW demand shift
- Adding customers increases shifting toward goal of 30 MW





## **Program Expansions**

#### **Expansion to existing systems**

- Downtown
  - Crescent Tract
  - Paul Robbins Plant
  - Red River
- Mueller

#### New satellite locations in support of Imagine Austin

- Austin Community College Highland Campus
- Central Health Brackenridge Campus
- South Central Waterfront District
- Innovation District





## Program Recap

### Successful program

- 69 customers connected to District Cooling systems
- Over 19 million square feet of facilities
- Sound financial model

#### Value to our community

- Lever for Economic Development
- Providing 17.2 MW of electric demand management toward 2027 goal of 30MW

### Significant growth opportunities

- Expansion opportunities Downtown and Mueller
- Satellite Systems

