

Conquering Will-Call with Better Service

Background

- CEO of Tank Utility
- Connected devices + energy for 11+ years
- Built and ran grid-scale electricity metering and control systems
- Deep experience on using energy data to influence consumers









Why is Will-Call tough?

- 1. Tough to route efficiently
 - Extra customer support
- 2. Predictability
 - When will they call?
- 3. Loyalty
 - Will they call at all?



Who are will-call customers?



Why are customers on will-call?

Customers STUCK as will call

Driven by the fuel suppliers' needs

- Variable Use: 2nd homes, generators, pool heat
- No Credit Terms: Cannot get credit or poor credit
- Customers that CHOOSE to be will-call

Driven by customers' needs

Focused on Control: Timing/price, lack of faith (runouts)



Solutions need to match <u>why</u> a customer is will-call



STUCK on Will-Call: No Credit Terms

- Budget Plans
 - Monthly payments or capped prices
 - Benefit: Predictable, low monthly payment
- Advertised Specials
 - Notifying specific customer segments of special offers, loyalty programs
 - Benefit: Prompt customers, predict your scheduling
- Credit Programs
 - Streamline government assistance
 - Benefit: Good business, community-oriented



STUCK on Will-Call: Variable Use

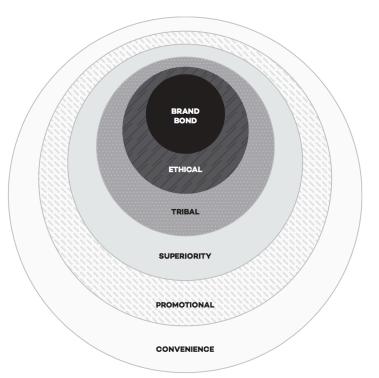
- Tank Monitoring
 - Monitor where forecasting doesn't work
 - Benefit: Most efficient deliveries every time, move will-call to automatic
- "We-Call"
 - Track usage and proactively check in
 - Benefit: Prompt customers, predict your scheduling
- Last-Minute Delivery Surcharges
 - Surcharge for re-routing and urgent requests
 - Benefit: Helps customers understand delivery service and better plan for their next order



Customers who CHOOSE will-call have tougher gaps to fill: <u>Trust</u> + <u>Loyalty</u>



Five Bonds of Brand Loyalty



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Values-based business operation

<u>Tribal</u>

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Superiority

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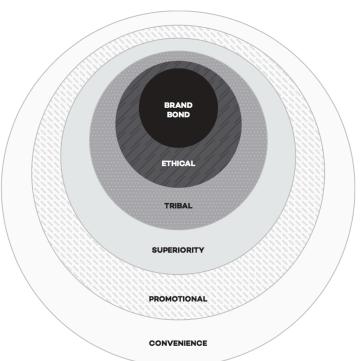
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Easy to get stuck here!

Brand Loyalty in Propane

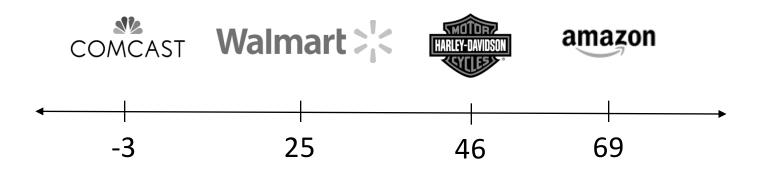


- Ethically-based brand bond
 - Environmental benefits from efficient delivery schedule
 - Benefits of supporting your local community
 - Charity-focused profit share
- Tribally-based brand bond
 - Engage your community
- Superiority-based brand bond
 - Customer-accessible Tank Monitoring service
 - Mobile app for customer service



Don't take our word for it...

Net Promoter Score (NPS): Measure customer sentiment





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In a recent survey of propane consumers

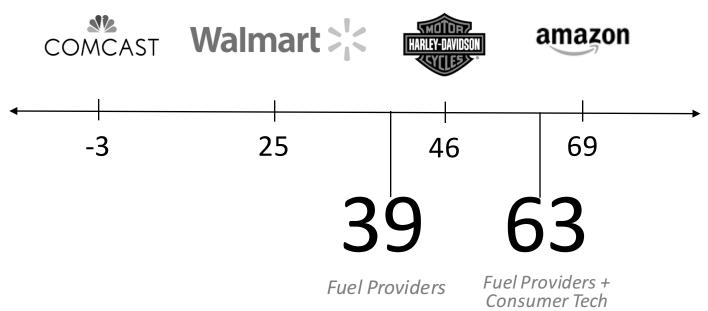
39 vs. 63

Net promoter score (NPS) of fuel providers

NPS if they include a monitor w/ customer-facing mobile app



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That means customers are

62%

more likely to recommend their fuel provider if that provider includes a customer-facing service like Tank Utility



CHOOSE to be on Will-Call: Solutions

- Differentiating Technology
 - Invest in customer-facing tech to offer with your service
 - Benefit: Commands loyalty by elevating your offering to a new level
- Engage Your Community
 - Host community events, encourage customer discussion
 - Benefit: Allows customers to be part of something
- Engage in Ethically-Driven Operations
 - Track and advertise delivery miles avoided, jobs created
 - Benefit: Shows your higher purpose, drives loyalty for believers



Recap: Solutions vs. Benefits

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