

CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN

MAYOR JAY WILLIAMS



CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN ANNOUNCES LOW FIXED RATE FOR NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION PROGRAM

Youngstown, Ohio (November 3, 2008) – Mayor Jay Williams and City of Youngstown officials are pleased to announce that they have established a fixed rate for natural gas for members wishing to join the City’s new gas endorsement program. Residents wishing to enroll in the City’s program will enjoy a fixed rate of \$8.99 per Mcf for all gas consumed through their Dominion East Ohio Gas November, 2009 billing period. IGS Energy is the City’s endorsed supplier.

Jay Williams, Mayor said, "We are pleased to offer this program to our residents as another option in their attempts to manage increasing energy costs. The \$8.99/Mcf rate for our residents compares very favorably to what residents can obtain on their own at this time. To our knowledge, it is also the lowest rate of any similar community-program in the area". The mayor went on to say. "We wanted to do something for our residents this year, so we made this offer available. Next year we'll consider pursuing an "opt-out" natural gas program where even more residents will participate and benefit."

Residents are reminded that this program makes no guarantee of savings and it is completely voluntary. Residents should expect to receive a notice in the mail from IGS Energy in a few days. The notice will explain the rate, terms and conditions, and various means of enrolling in the City’s natural gas program. Enrolling by mail or through the internet will be faster and easier for residents than enrolling by phone.

Any resident or small business that is currently served by another supplier may join the City’s program by calling IGS Energy at 1-800-280-4474. Current IGS Energy customers served under prior contracts are not eligible. If you are served by another supplier you should be aware of the obligations in your existing contract before joining the Youngstown program, as many suppliers charge a penalty for early termination.

The City is pleased to have made this program possible but asks that you do not call the City offices. They are not equipped to handle a large volume of calls. Residents should contact IGS Energy toll free at 1-800-280-4474 if they have any questions.