



Mountaineer Gas Company

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Mountaineer Gas Company Files with the Public Service Commission to Lower Gas Costs

Mountaineer Gas Company, West Virginia's largest natural gas utility company serving over 220,000 customers, announced today that a filing was made with the Public Service Commission of West Virginia that will lower customer bills.

Based on the Company's gas supply plans and the current projections of natural gas market conditions, Mountaineer Gas Company expects to reduce the natural gas component of a residential customer's bill by \$3.96 per Mcf. As a result of this filing, a typical residential customer – who uses 80 Mcf per year – is expected to save about \$316.80 a year representing approximately a 25% decrease in their annual gas utility bill. This rate change is contingent upon approval from the Public Service Commission and would be effective November 1, 2009.

Tom M. Taylor, President of Mountaineer Gas Company, stated, "the approval and implementation of our recent filings will enable the Company to continue to provide safe and reliable natural gas service to our customers at the best available price. In the current economy we are especially pleased for our customers that the price of natural gas is anticipated to be lower this winter."

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