



APPLES TO APPLES

NATURAL GAS RATE PLANS FOR RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMERS



The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio produces the Apples to Apples chart to provide consumers with a "snapshot" comparison of current supplier price options, contract terms, and an estimated annual total cost. Current Dominion East Ohio (DEO) customer rates are based on the Commission-approved gas cost recovery (GCR) rate, which changes quarterly based on DEO's actual gas costs. Once you choose a natural gas supplier, you become an Energy Choice customer, whose rates are based on the contracted supplier's price. For purposes of this chart, we have calculated estimated annual total costs based on the average annual gas consumption amount of 135 Mcf. Mcf stands for 1000 cubic feet of natural gas. *Your actual cost will vary according to your actual usage.*

Although there may be other approved marketers serving customers in the DEO Energy Choice program, the Apples to Apples chart only lists the approved-marketers that are actively enrolling customers. As with all contracts, consumers should carefully read and understand all terms and conditions before signing any forms or agreeing to enroll with a supplier for gas service. Published price options and contract terms are subject to change without prior notice. Marketers may not be serving all areas of DEO's service territory.

See the reverse side of this chart for questions concerning how this chart was calculated and to learn how you can calculate your own estimated annual total cost or contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio's hotline at 1-800-686-PUCO (7826) and in the Columbus area at 466-3292 or 1-800-686-1570 for TTY-TDD hearing impaired.

Please read the reverse side before you choose a supplier.

SUPPLIER	PRICE OPTIONS	TOTAL RATE*	CONTRACT TERM	ESTIMATED ANNUAL TOTAL COST**
DOMINION EAST OHIO	Current Gas Plan (Current GCR is \$8.7030/Mcf), plus excise tax of \$0.4261/Mcf	\$10.6602 / Mcf	Not Applicable	\$1507.52
DOMINION EAST OHIO ENERGY (888) 284-2124	Fixed rate @ \$7.250/Mcf, plus sales tax (Offer expires April 26, 2001)	\$9.4631 / Mcf	3-Year	\$1404.64
ENERGY AMERICA (888) 305-3828	Fixed rate @ \$7.990/Mcf, plus sales tax	\$10.2031 / Mcf	1-Year	\$1510.54
ENERGY.COM (877) 289-7401	Variable monthly rate currently @ \$7.830/Mcf, plus sales tax	\$10.0431 / Mcf	1-Year	N/A
FSG ENERGY SERVICES (888) 367-4493	Variable monthly rate currently @ \$7.350/Mcf, plus sales tax	\$9.5631 / Mcf	1-Year	N/A
INTERSTATE GAS SUPPLY (877) 444-7427	Fixed rate @ \$7.490/Mcf, plus sales tax	\$9.7031 / Mcf	1-Year	\$1438.99
MXENERGY (800) 785-4373	Fixed rate @ \$7.990/Mcf, plus sales tax	\$10.2031 / Mcf	2-Year	\$1510.54
POWER RESOURCES (800) 743-5736	8 percent off the DEO GCR (equivalent to \$8.0068/Mcf), plus sales tax	\$10.2199 / Mcf	1-Year	\$1512.94
TITAN ENERGY (888) 427-4872	10 percent off the DEO GCR (equivalent to \$7.8327/Mcf), plus sales tax	\$10.0458 / Mcf	1-Year	\$1488.03
U.S. POWER AND GAS (800) 258-7190	Variable quarterly rate currently @ \$7.980/Mcf, plus sales tax	\$10.1931 / Mcf	1-Year	N/A

* The Total Rate Column includes the DEO transportation delivery charges for all customers. DEO charges its customers an excise tax of gross receipt on the gas cost recovery rate (per Mcf). Suppliers must, by law, charge customers a sales tax on the amount of gas used (per Mcf). For the purposes of this chart, the gross receipts tax is included in DEO's total rate, but sales tax is not included in the Supplier's total rate, because Ohio sales tax ranges anywhere from 5.5 to 7 percent. See the reverse side for the actual numbers used.

** The Estimated Annual Total Cost column includes the price you pay the supplier for gas used, applicable taxes, DEO's monthly service, and DEO's gas delivery charges you have always paid to DEO for the safe, reliable delivery of gas to your home.

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OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.PUC.STATE.OH.US

**"How Do I Calculate My
Estimated Annual Gas Bill?"**



Dominion East Ohio Bill

Using the Dominion East Ohio January GCR (Gas Cost Recovery) rate of \$8.7030 per Mcf (1000 cubic feet) for a household that consumes 135 Mcf in one year:

GCR Rate \$8.7030 (+) Excise Tax of \$0.4261 = \$9.1291 (x) Gas Usage	\$9.1291/Mcf	x 135 Mcf	=	\$1232.42
Gas Transportation Delivery Service Charge* (+) Riders (x) Gas Consumed (Mcf)	\$1.5311/Mcf	x 135 Mcf	=	\$206.70
Monthly Customer Charge	\$5.70/month	x 12 Months	=	<u>\$ 68.40</u>
Estimated Annual Total Cost:			=	\$1507.52

Supplier "A"

Suppose Supplier "A" offers a fixed rate of \$5.50 per Mcf (plus sales tax) and you consume 135 Mcf in one year. We calculate the estimated annual total costs as follows:

Supplier Rate x Gas Usage	\$5.50/Mcf	x 135 Mcf	=	\$742.50
Sales Tax (using 6.0%)**	.06	x \$742.50	=	\$44.55
Gas Transportation Delivery Service Charge* (+) Riders (x) Gas Consumed (Mcf)	\$2.2131/Mcf	x 135 Mcf	=	\$298.76
Monthly Customer Charge	\$5.70/month	x 12 Months	=	<u>\$ 68.40</u>
Estimated Annual Total Cost:			=	\$1154.21

Self-Calculation Form

Use this Form to calculate your own estimated annual total cost for a supplier.

Supplier Rate x Gas Usage	\$_____/Mcf	x 135 Mcf	=	\$____.
Your County Sales Tax** (i.e. 6% = .06)	_____ [Sales Tax Rate]	x \$_____ [Total From Supplier rate x gas usage]	=	\$____.
Gas Transportation Delivery Service Charge* (+) Riders (x) Gas Consumed (Mcf)	\$2.2131/Mcf	x 135 Mcf	=	\$298.76
Monthly Customer Charge	\$5.70/month	x 12 Months	=	<u>\$ 68.40</u>
Estimated Annual Total Cost:			=	\$____.

* The DEO calculations above use a \$1.5311 per Mcf gas delivery charge instead of the \$2.2131 per Mcf used in the Supplier A Table. Two different charges are used for the purposes of this calculation because the difference between the two charges (\$0.682) is already built into the DEO gas cost recovery rate that is used to calculate the DEO bill. You pay the same amount for the delivery of your gas whether you are a Choice customer or not.

**This example uses sales tax of 6.00%. DEO pays an excise tax, while suppliers are subject to sales tax.



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