## **Marion Township Gas Aggregation Program - Explained**

- Most Township residents have been a part of the Marion Township Gas Aggregation program for the past 15 years.
- With an aggregation program, all residents are automatically "IN" while the Township works for you in finding the lowest and best prices on natural gas by locking in a price.
  Marion Township trustees were in the middle of a contract with Volunteer Energy when that company announced their bankruptcy earlier this year.
- Our energy consultant, Palmer Energy assisted us with locking in our gas aggregation with a different supplier, IGS Energy at \$0.739 per ccf for a 24 month contract.
- The Marion Township Trustees were diligent in working with Palmer Energy representatives to find an alternate gas supplier that had the lowest market price.
- Energy prices are going up and changing daily the price we were able to fix with the IGS Energy company is \$0.739 per ccf, versus for example the current market price with Columbia Gas of \$0.8518 per ccf.
- You may also choose to leave the aggregation and shop for a better price on your own. You don't have to pay anything to leave the Township's aggregation group. Just beware of fees you may have to pay if you "opt out" from another entity.
- Bottom line is this, you are automatically "IN" the aggregation, unless you choose to leave. While we realize this can be confusing, just know that if you are "IN", you don't have to worry about your price changing for the next 2 years. At that time, we will direct our consultants to look for the lowest gas prices once again.

We hope this helps to clear up some of the confusion as we switched providers. Please contact us if you have any additional questions, either through e-mail or phone. Here's hoping for a mild Winter,

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