# Natural Gas Transportation Benefits for



# CenterPoint Energy's Transportation Services



#### Natural gas delivery process

- Supplier injects gas into upstream pipeline
- Upstream pipeline delivers gas to a city gate of CenterPoint Energy
- CenterPoint Energy moves gas from one of its city gates to the customer's end-use delivery point

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# What is Natural Gas Transportation Services?

CenterPoint Energy's Transportation Services offers qualifying end-use commercial and industrial customers a choice for their natural gas supply. By providing access to competitive natural gas suppliers, CenterPoint Energy enables customers to maximize the value of their natural gas consumption.

When enrolled in Transportation Services, end-use customers may select from a list of active, competitive natural gas suppliers who use CenterPoint Energy's natural gas distribution system to ship natural gas to the end-use customer's facility.

# **Benefits of Transportation Services**

The option to choose a natural gas supplier provides your operation with cost-effective flexibility to tailor supply requirements to meet business needs. Qualified customers enjoy a variety of benefits including:

- Potential monetary savings generated through a competitively priced commodity supply
- Direct control of commodity pricing decisions
- Increased flexibility to address volatile market conditions
- Potential state and local tax savings
- Personalized LDC (Local Distribution Company) service through a dedicated key account manager

## How it works

#### **Who qualifies for Natural Gas Transportation Services?**

Transportation Services is a choice and participation is not a requirement for natural gas service. If an end-use customer declines to participate in Transportation Services, they will continue to receive the same safe, reliable natural gas sales services provided by CenterPoint Energy to all customers through the Sales Supply Option\*, which bundles all natural gas supply costs into one invoice, including distribution charges, upstream pipeline charges and natural gas commodity charges.

In Arkansas, any individual commercial and industrial (end-use) meter that uses 10 MMBtu per day average or 3,650 MMBtu per year can qualify.













Supplier injects gas into upstream pipeline

Injection point

Upstream pipeline moves gas from injection point to CenterPoint Energy city gate CenterPoint Energy moves gas from city gate to customer

Customer

## What's the difference between Sales Supply and Transportation Supply?

#### **Sales Supply Option**

CenterPoint Energy will bundle all of the above natural gas supply costs onto one invoice. This invoice would include CenterPoint Energy distribution charges, upstream pipeline charges and gas commodity charges. Note: Distribution charges are the only portion that provides CenterPoint Energy with revenue margin. Upstream pipeline charges and natural gas commodity costs are passed through to the customer with no markup in price.

#### **Transportation Supply Option**

CenterPoint Energy will unbundle service so that qualified customers may contract separately for their natural gas supply. This option allows the qualified end-use customer to choose the party from which they purchase natural gas and CenterPoint Energy acts as the transporter to deliver that natural gas from the city gate to the qualified customer.

## Will my utility rate change?

No, your actual utility rate will not change, however, there is an additional \$332.61/month Transportation Administration Fee. The distribution rates are as follows:

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## SCS-1 (10-99 MMBtu per day)

Customer charge	\$14.67
Transportation Administration Fee	\$332.61
First 150 MMBtu	\$1.68620/MMBtu
Next 151-1,500 MMBtu	\$1.27534/MMBtu
More than 1,500 MMBtu	\$0.54673/MMBtu

#### LCS-1 (More than 100 MMBtu per day average

Customer charge	\$290.00
Transportation Administration Fee	\$332.61
First 400 Demand CD MMBtu	\$8.01586/MMBtu
Over 400 Demand CD MMBtu	\$1.23854/MMBtu

#### Accessing your daily usage

CenterPoint Energy will also install a telemetry unit, at the customer's expense, to measure daily natural gas volumes.

Measurement options are available for both analog and wireless access. These units may be purchased outright or leased through a monthly service fee. Prices and fees vary depending on the gas meter type. The customer will have access, via internet, to their daily gas usage volumes, which may be helpful in controlling energy costs.

