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**CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN ANNOUNCES NEW
FIXED RATE FOR NATURAL GAS PROGRAM**

Youngstown, Ohio (September xx, 2018) – Youngstown officials are pleased to announce that they have established a 12-month fixed-rate of \$3.34 per Mcf for natural gas for program members. The new rate will run through the October 2019 billing cycle. Residents and small commercial customers can expect a letter from IGS Energy to arrive on or about September 17. The letter will explain the rate, terms and conditions of the offer.

Mayor Jamael Tito Brown said, "We are pleased to make this rate available for our residents and small businesses. The fixed-rate will give them price protection and budget stability as we move into the winter months. This is the lowest rate in the history of our program and, as before, our program has no early termination fee."

Mark Burns, President of Independent Energy Consultants, said, "Residents and businesses should carefully read their letter from IGS Energy. Anyone currently participating in the program will receive a simple rate-change notice and will not need to take any action to remain in the program. New customers to the program will need to contact IGS Energy by calling 1-877-353-0162 or responding via mail or internet as directed in the letter they receive. Residents who have already chosen a supplier on their own are encouraged to review the terms and conditions of their current supplier agreement before enrolling. New customers to the program must be in good standing and cannot be part of the utility's Percentage of Income Payment Program (PIPP)."

"We're pleased to continue serving the residents of Youngstown," said Doug Austin, Executive Vice President of IGS Energy. "We know this is a busy time of year for residents having to make natural gas choices. Any resident or small business may seek enrollment in the City's natural gas program by calling IGS Energy at 1-877-353-0162 or responding via mail or internet as directed in the letter they receive."

The City is pleased to have made this program possible but asks that you do not call the City's offices. They are not equipped to handle a large volume of calls. Residents should contact IGS Energy toll free at 1-877-353-0162 if they have any questions.

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