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## For Immediate Release:

## CITY OF YOUNGSTOWN ANNOUNCES NEW SUPPLIER AND FIXED RATE FOR NATURAL GAS PROGRAM

**Youngstown, Ohio (September xx, 2023)** – Youngstown officials are pleased to announce that they have chosen IGS Energy to serve the next term of the City's natural gas aggregation program. The City has established a 12-month fixed-rate of \$3.93 per Mcf for natural gas for program members. The new rate will run through the September 2024 meter reads. Residents and small commercial customers can expect a letter from IGS Energy to arrive on the week of September 18th. The letter will explain the rate, terms and conditions of the offer.

The City of Youngstown 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 for the next year. There is no charge to join the program and, as before, our program has no early termination fee."

Eric Burns, Director of Aggregation for Independent Energy Consultants, said, "Residents and businesses should carefully read their letter from IGS Energy. Anyone currently participating in the program will receive letter from IGS Energy explaining the new rate and program term. In order to continue on with the new supplier, customers will need to return the reply card, call the toll-free number 877-353-0162, or visit <u>igsenergy.com</u> and enroll using the promo code on your letter."

Those not currently participating in the program will also receive a letter from IGS Energy explaining the new offer and the ways they can join the program if they wish. 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.

We would like to remind you that the aggregation program is simply another option for you to consider, and it is important that you make yourself aware of the other options available to you, specifically:

- The Public Utility Commission of Ohio provides a list of other publicly available offers on their website, www.energychoice.ohio.gov. Anyone considering those supply offers should be aware of any early termination penalties, fixed monthly charges, or automatic renewal provisions that can quickly offset any perceived savings. Our program includes none of the above.
- The utility's supply rate the Standard Choice Offer (SCO) is a variable rate option. It follows monthly market conditions and trends up and down throughout the year.

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 877-353-0162 if they have any questions.**