Residential Apples to Apples Comparison Charts

Columbia Gas of Ohio

The Standard Choice Offer (SCO) rate is based on the New York Mercantile Exchange month-end settlement price, plus a retail price adjustment of $0.129 per ccf. The SCO is a monthly variable rate and represents costs associated with securing natural gas for CGO customers.

CGO's current SCO rate is **$0.36620** per ccf
Effective **December 31, 2015 through January 31, 2016**

Steps to Switching

four simple steps to choosing a supplier

1. Compare offers

Use the *Apples to Apples* charts to compare various offers based on cost, contract terms or other incentives.

2. Contact suppliers

Contact the suppliers that you are most interested in and ask the questions provided below. To sign up, simply call that supplier. The supplier will contact your local natural gas utility for you.

3. Read and understand the supply contract

Make sure you carefully read and understand all of the terms and conditions of your supply contract. The supplier should be able to answer any questions you have.

4. Receive confirmation

Your local natural gas utility will send you a letter confirming the supplier you have chosen. If the information is correct, you do not have to do anything. If the information is not correct, contact the utility and request that the switch be stopped. You have seven days from the postmark date of the letter to make any changes.

AEP Energy Inc
(866) 258-3782

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.4550 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $10

Additional Information: America's Energy Partner(SM) This offer is limited to residential customers of Columbia Gas of Ohio.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

AEP Energy Inc
(866) 258-3782

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 24 months
$0.5290 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $100

Additional Information: Enroll with AEP Energy's Comfort Connect Plan to receive a low 24-month price offer for your natural gas supply and receive a free Honeywell Wi-Fi 7-Day Programmable Thermostat.* You'll get some control over your budget and have thermostat control from almost anywhere you want to use it. *Restrictions may apply. See Official Rules.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Agera Energy, LLC
(844) 692-4372

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.4700 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $100

Additional Information: The 'Agera Fixed Advantage 12' gives you one full year of guaranteed price protection against rising energy costs and a simple, fixed rate for energy. This option provides you with a year of worry-free energy use and no variations in your monthly price!
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Agera Energy, LLC
(844) 692-4372

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 24 months
$0.4700 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $200

Additional Information: The 'Agera Fixed Advantage 24' gives you two full years of guaranteed price protection against rising energy costs and a simple, fixed rate for energy. This option provides you with two years of worry-free energy use and no variations in your monthly price!
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Alpha Gas And Electric LLC
(845) 810-8008

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.5000 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Variable offer
This is a promotional offer. 50% Cash Back on Alpha supply portion of customer's bill of choice after six months of Alpha supply service
This is not a introductory offer.

Constellation Energy Gas Choice Inc
(800) 785-4373

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.5390 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $150

Additional Information: None Provided
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Constellation Energy Gas Choice Inc
(800) 785-4373

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 36 months
$0.5390 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $150

Additional Information: None Provided
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Constellation Energy Gas Choice Inc
(800) 785-4373

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.5990 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: None Provided
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Continuum Retail Energy Services
(888) 200-3788

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.6250 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $50

Additional Information: None Provided
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Direct Energy Services LLC
(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 18 months
$0.4690 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $99

Additional Information: For new enrollment only. Receive fixed-rate natural gas for 18 months. Enjoy freedom from the seasonal price shifts levied by your utility company.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Direct Energy Services LLC
(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.4790 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $99

Additional Information: For new enrollment only. 12 months of natural gas price stability to help your budget
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Direct Energy Services LLC
(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 6 months
$0.4890 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $99

Additional Information: For new enrollment only. Receive fixed-rate natural gas for 6 months. Enjoy freedom from the seasonal price shifts levied by your utility company.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Direct Energy Services LLC
(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 24 months
$0.5990 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $200

Additional Information: For new enrollment only. Receive a Nest Learning Thermostat and 2 years of natural gas at a fixed rate.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

DOMINION ENERGY SOLUTIONS
(800) 348-4578

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.4970 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: None Provided
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Energy Cooperative of Ohio
(888) 541-4646

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.4790 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Variable rate. Capped at .539 through April 2016
This is a promotional offer. Variable rate. Capped at .539 through April 2016.
This is not a introductory offer.

Energy Plus Natural Gas LLC
(855) 405-3098

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.4500 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Plan includes:* Month-to-Month Variable Price with 3 Months of Promotional Pricing, $50 Enrollment Bonus, 3% Cash Back annually. *See Important Offer Details at energyplusrewards.com/ohoffer
This is a promotional offer. $50 Enrollment Bonus will be awarded after completing two months of active service with us. You will earn 3% Cash Back annually for every $1 spent on the supply portion of the monthly natural gas bills as an Energy Plus customer.
This is a introductory offer.

IGS Energy
(800) 280-4474

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.4790 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $100

Additional Information: Fixed rate for 12 billing cycles.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

IGS Energy
(800) 280-4474

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 36 months
$0.5210 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $100

Additional Information: Fixed Offer through 36 Billing Cycles
This is a promotional offer. Earn 5¢/gal in Fuel Rewards® Savings for every $50 you spend with IGS Energy on your utility bill.
This is not a introductory offer.

Just Energy
(866) 587-8674

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 36 months
$0.6790 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $50

Additional Information: Fixed Price Program with an Intro Price which will be 5% below Utility for the first month.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is a introductory offer.

Just Energy
(866) 587-8674

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.3660 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Month to Month Variable Program with an Intro Period where the Intro Price will 5% below Utility for the first month. Thereafter a month to month Variable Rate
This is not a promotional offer.
This is a introductory offer.

MY CHOICE ENERGY
(888) 505-9104

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.4550 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $25

Additional Information: Through Billing Cycle January 2017
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

MY CHOICE ENERGY
(888) 505-9104

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 24 months
$0.4650 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $100

Additional Information: Through Billing Cycle January 2018
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

North American Power and Gas LLC
(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 8 months
$0.4490 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $10

Additional Information: 8 month fixed rate. 25% Carbon Offset-New Customers Only.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

North American Power and Gas LLC
(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.4990 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $10

Additional Information: 12 month fixed rate. 25% Renewable Energy.Offer is for EnergyChoiceOhio website shoppers ONLY
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

North American Power and Gas LLC
(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 8 months

$0.5440 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $10

Additional Information: 8 month fixed rate. 100% Carbon Offset. New Customers Only.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

North American Power and Gas LLC
(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months

$0.5940 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $10

Additional Information: 12 month fixed rate. 100% Carbon Offset-New Customers Only.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Ohio Gas & Electric
(866) 706-7360

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month

$0.6499 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Monthly Variable Price
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Ohio Natural Gas
(888) 211-8312

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 6 months

$0.3590 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $75

Additional Information: Special offer, mention code APPLECOH!
This is a promotional offer. Special offer, mention code APPLECOH!
This is not a introductory offer.

Ohio Natural Gas
(888) 211-8312

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months

$0.4690 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $150

Additional Information: Special offer, mention code APPLECOH!
This is a promotional offer. Special offer, mention code APPLECOH!
This is not a introductory offer.

Ohio Natural Gas
(888) 466-4427

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 0 month

$0.5590 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: None Provided
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Ohio Natural Gas
(888) 466-4427

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 2 months

$0.2990 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Variable Plan with a discounted rate for the first 2 months!
This is not a promotional offer.
This is a introductory offer.

Palmco Energy OH LLC
(877) 726-5862

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month

$0.2998 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Introductory rate valid for the first 2 months of service, variable thereafter. New customers only. Promotions available (restrictions apply): Dinner & Movie Gift Cards, Restaurant.com Gift Cards, Referral Credits, Senior citizen discounts
This is not a promotional offer.
This is a introductory offer.

Quake Energy LLC
(800) 279-9023

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 1 month

$0.3490 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: New Customers: Receive your first month's gas at 34.9 cents/Ccf. After that, receive Quake Energy's monthly variable rate.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is a introductory offer.

Quake Energy LLC
(800) 279-9023

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.5572 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Monthly variable rate with no long-term contracts or cancellation fees
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Santanna Natural Gas Corporation
(800) 764-4427

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.3790 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $100

Additional Information: Santanna's Competitive Fixed Price of $0.379 per Ccf for initial term duration of 12 months and then a successive month-to-month term on Santanna's Competitive Market Price Program.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Spark Energy Gas LP
(877) 547-7275

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 12 months
$0.6490 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $100

Additional Information: Spark Preferred 12 Advantage - Your rate stays put, guaranteed. With this fixed rate, there's a $100 early cancellation fee. Enjoy peace of mind with a fixed rate and more money in your pocket.
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

Viridian Energy PA, LLC
(866) 663-2508

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 12 months
$0.0668 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: 5% below Utility Price Index
This is a promotional offer. 5% off utility price index
This is not a introductory offer.

Volunteer Energy Services Inc
(800) 977-8374

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.3623 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: None Provided
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

XOOM Energy Ohio LLC
(888) 997-8979

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 6 months
$0.4490 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $55

Additional Information: XOOM Energy's SureLock 6 fixed plan
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

XOOM Energy Ohio LLC
(888) 997-8979

Rate Type: Fixed | Term Length: 15 months
$0.4490 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $137

Additional Information: XOOM Energy's SureLock 15 fixed plan
This is not a promotional offer.
This is not a introductory offer.

XOOM Energy Ohio LLC
(888) 997-8979

Rate Type: Variable | Term Length: 1 month
$0.4490 per Ccf | Monthly Fee: $0 | Early Termination Fee: $0

Additional Information: Simpleflex
This is a promotional offer. XOOM Energy's Introductory SimpleFlex variable rate
This is a introductory offer.

Chart Definitions

***Apples to Apples* Charts:** The PUCO's electric and natural gas offer comparison charts, the only comparisons in the state for which suppliers are required to provide accurate and up-to-date information about their latest offers.

ccf: Hundred cubic feet. Used to measure natural gas.

Customer Charge: Charge billed each month to recover a portion of the ongoing fixed costs of providing service to a consumer's home or business. See Fixed Delivery Charge.

Fixed Delivery Charge: Charge billed each month to recover a portion of the ongoing fixed costs of providing service to a consumer's home or business. See Customer Charge.

Electric Distribution Utility (EDU): The local electric distribution utility that delivers electricity to your home or business.

Supply Charge: The price of electricity or natural gas offered by a supplier.

Fixed Price: A fixed electricity or natural gas rate that will remain the same, for a set period of time.

Gas Cost Recovery (GCR) Charge: The actual cost of natural gas that a local distribution company (LDC) pays to purchase natural gas for your use. That cost is then passed through to you on a dollar-for-dollar basis with no mark-up or profit to the LDC. Only the actual costs of the natural gas are recovered through this process.

Generation Charge: The charge for producing electricity. If you purchase electricity from a supplier, your generation charge will depend on the contract between you and your supplier.

Kilowatt Hour (kwh): A 1,000-watt unit of energy for one hour. This is the standard measurement for the amount of electricity a customer uses.

Local Distribution Company (LDC): The local natural gas distribution utility that delivers natural gas to your home or business.

mcf: Thousand cubic feet. Used to measure natural gas.

Monthly Fee: A fixed monthly fee that a supplier may include in the terms and conditions of their contract that is in addition to a rate based on usage.

NYMEX: The New York Mercantile Exchange, a public market where natural gas and other commodities are sold and traded.

Price to Compare: The price for an electric supplier to beat in order for you to save money. It will be shown on residential customer's electric utility bill. You can use this amount to compare with prices offered by suppliers.

Renew. (Renewable) Content: The percentage of the contracted generation supply that is provided by a renewable energy source.

Renewable Energy: Electricity or natural gas that is made from environmentally friendly fuel resources, such as wind, water, biomass, biogas, waste heat or solar. Sometimes referred to as "green" energy.

Standard Choice Offer (SCO): Each year, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Dominion East Ohio and Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio conduct auctions to secure natural gas supplies for customers who do not participate in the retail choice program. The auction establishes a SCO rate for choice-eligible customers. The SCO rate is based on the NYMEX month-end settlement price for natural gas, plus a retail price adjustment determined in the auctions. The retail price adjustment reflects the winning bidders' price to deliver natural gas from the production area to the utility's service area.

Standard Service Offer: The electric generation service a customer will receive from their local electric utility if they do not choose an electric supplier.

Transmission: The transporting of high-voltage electricity from generation at a power plant to local electric utilities.

Transmission Charge: Charge for transporting electricity from the generation plant to the local electric utility.

Transportation Cost: Cost related to the actual transportation of natural gas through the natural gas transmission pipeline to the LDC.

Variable Price: A variable rate can change, by the hour, day, month, etc., according to the terms and conditions of the supplier's contract.