

## **Residential Apples to Apples Comparison Charts**

### *Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio*

The Standard Choice Offer (SCO) rate is based on the New York Mercantile Exchange month-end settlement price of natural gas, plus a retail price adjustment of \$0.115 per ccf. The SCO is a monthly variable rate and represents costs associated with securing natural gas for Vectren customers.

Customers who have not actively chosen a natural gas supplier receive their natural gas supply at the SCO rate from one of five suppliers: DTE Energy, Direct Energy, Ohio Natural Gas, North American Power and Gas or Volunteer Energy Services.

Vectren's current SCO rate is **\$0.38180 per ccf**  
Effective **May 1, 2015 through May 31, 2015**

## **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.



**Constellation Energy Gas Choice Inc**

(800) 785-4373

Rate Type: Fixed

Term Length: 12 months

\$0.5090 per Ccf

Monthly Fee: \$0

Early Termination Fee: \$150

Additional Information: None Provided

This is not a promotional offer.

This is not an introductory offer.

**Constellation Energy Gas Choice Inc**

(800) 785-4373

Rate Type: Fixed

Term Length: 24 months

\$0.5090 per Ccf

Monthly Fee: \$0

Early Termination Fee: \$150

Additional Information: None Provided

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This is not an introductory offer.

**Constellation Energy Gas Choice Inc**

(800) 785-4373

Rate Type: Variable

Term Length: 1 month

\$0.6590 per Ccf

Monthly Fee: \$0

Early Termination Fee: \$0

Additional Information: None Provided

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This is not an introductory offer.

**Direct Energy Services LLC**

(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed

Term Length: 6 months

\$0.5090 per Ccf

Monthly Fee: \$0

Early Termination Fee: \$99

Additional Information: For new enrollment only. Receive a fixed rate on natural gas for 6 months and avoid seasonal price shifts levied by your utility.

This is not a promotional offer.

This is not an introductory offer.

**Direct Energy Services LLC**

(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed

Term Length: 18 months

\$0.5090 per Ccf

Monthly Fee: \$0

Early Termination Fee: \$99

Additional Information: For new enrollment only. Enjoy price stability for your entire 18 month contract for natural gas. Say goodbye to seasonal price adjustments imposed by your utility.

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This is not an introductory offer.

**Direct Energy Services LLC**

(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed

Term Length: 12 months

\$0.5090 per Ccf

Monthly Fee: \$0

Early Termination Fee: \$99

Additional Information: For new enrollment only. Receive a fixed rate on natural gas for 12 months and avoid seasonal price shifts levied by your utility.

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**Direct Energy Services LLC**

(877) 698-7551



Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 24 months  
\$0.5890 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.  
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**Direct Energy Services LLC**

(877) 698-7551

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 36 months  
\$0.5890 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$200  
Additional Information: For enrollment only. Receive a Nest Learning Thermostat and 3 years of natural gas at a fixed rate.  
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**IGS Energy**

(800) 280-4474

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 12 months  
\$0.5590 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$0  
Additional Information: Fixed Rate Through 12 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 an introductory offer.

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**IGS Energy**

(800) 280-4474

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 36 months  
\$0.5890 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$0  
Additional Information: Fixed Rate 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 an introductory offer.

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**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 an introductory offer.

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**Just Energy**

(866) 587-8674

Rate Type: Variable                      Term Length: 1 month  
\$0.3531 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  
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**North American Power and Gas LLC**

(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 6 months  
\$0.4990 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$10



Additional Information: 6 month fixed rate.25% Carbon Offset. Rate Available for New Customers Only.  
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This is not a introductory offer.

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**North American Power and Gas LLC**

(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 12 months  
\$0.5440 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$10

Additional Information: Fixed 12 month rate. 100% Carbon Offset. Rate Available for New Customers Only.  
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**North American Power and Gas LLC**

(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 12 months  
\$0.5490 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$10

Additional Information: 12 month fixed rate. 25% Carbon Offset. Rate Available for New Customers Only.  
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**North American Power and Gas LLC**

(888) 313-9086

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 6 months  
\$0.5940 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$10

Additional Information: 6 month fixed rate. 100% Carbon Offset. Rate Available for New Customers Only.  
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**Ohio Natural Gas**

(888) 466-4427

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 6 months  
\$0.4590 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$75

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

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**Ohio Natural Gas**

(888) 466-4427

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 12 months  
\$0.4790 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$150

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

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**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.

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**Ohio Natural Gas**

(888) 466-4427



Rate Type: Variable                      Term Length: 2 months  
\$0.3390 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 an introductory offer.

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**Palmco Energy OH LLC**  
(877) 726-5862

Rate Type: Variable                      Term Length: 1 month  
\$0.4698 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  
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This is an introductory offer.

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**Volunteer Energy Services Inc**  
(800) 977-8374

Rate Type: Variable                      Term Length: 1 month  
\$0.3767 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$0  
Additional Information: None Provided  
This is not a promotional offer.  
This is not an introductory offer.

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**XOOM Energy Ohio LLC**  
(888) 997-8979

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 12 months  
\$0.5790 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$110  
Additional Information: None Provided  
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This is not an introductory offer.

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**XOOM Energy Ohio LLC**  
(888) 997-8979

Rate Type: Fixed                      Term Length: 24 months  
\$0.5990 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$200  
Additional Information: XOOM Energy's SureLock 24 fixed product  
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This is not an introductory offer.

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**XOOM Energy Ohio LLC**  
(888) 997-8979

Rate Type: Variable                      Term Length: 1 month  
\$0.4990 per Ccf                      Monthly Fee: \$0                      Early Termination Fee: \$0  
Additional Information: None Provided  
This is a promotional offer. XOOM Energy's Introductory SimpleFlex variable rate  
This is an 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.

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**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.