



## **CITY OF ALLIANCE TO JOIN NOPEC FOR ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS AGGREGATION**

### **Who is NOPEC?**

NOPEC is a non-profit group of over 220 communities that negotiates lower utility rates for their members. As Ohio's largest energy aggregator, NOPEC buys gas and electricity in bulk to help lower customers' utility bills. Since 2001, NOPEC has saved residents and businesses over \$300 million.

The City of Alliance is now a member of NOPEC's electric and natural gas aggregation program. As a resident or small business in a NOPEC member community, you can take advantage of electric and natural gas supply rates negotiated specifically for NOPEC customers. All eligible electric and natural gas accounts in your community are enrolled into the aggregation program unless you pro-actively choose to opt-out.

### **When will this happen?**

NOPEC is required by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) to send 'opt-out' letters to all eligible residential and small business customers located in Alliance. The electric opt-out letters will be mailed March 21, 2018 and the natural gas 'opt-out' letters will be mailed in May, 2018.

### **How do I enroll?**

To enroll, you do not need to take any action. Your account will automatically be enrolled into the Electric Program Price Option beginning in May, 2018, and August, 2018 for natural gas.

### **What are the rates?**

Your initial rate, terms, and pricing options will be on your Opt-Out letter. After your initial three months, you will pay the NOPEC monthly Program rate which is published at [www.nopec.org](http://www.nopec.org) thirty days prior to each billing period. To view NOPEC's current electric and natural gas rates, go to the Compare Rates section at [www.nopec.org](http://www.nopec.org).

NOPEC offers a variable rate program that is 6% less than the utility's Price to Compare (PTC) for residential electric accounts and 4% off the utility's PTC for small commercial electric accounts. The NOPEC variable rate for natural gas offers a 2 cents/mcf discount off the utility Standard Offer Rate. The Opt Out letter will have instructions on how to enroll in the variable rate program. Enrollment in this program is limited and subject to availability.



### **What if I want to go with another supplier?**

You are always welcome to choose another supplier. You will get many mail offers, phone calls, and door to door solicitors in the next few months with low price offers. When choosing a supplier, don't be attracted just to a low price. Do some research to ensure that the company is financially secure and that there are no hidden charges or early termination fees. NOPEC rates are historically a reliable competitive option from the largest energy aggregation in the State. The NOPEC program has flexible rate options and no early termination fees or hidden charges. With NOPEC, your electric and natural gas utility still reads your meters, sends you one bill, and still provides you the same response service during emergencies.

### **What if I still want to Opt-Out?**

If you would like to opt-out of NOPEC's electric program and choose your own electric or natural gas supplier, fill out and mail the opt-out post card included with your 'opt-out' enrollment letter when it arrives in a few months.

### **Where can I get additional information?**

If you have additional questions about the NOPEC's electric or natural gas program, please contact NOPEC's Customer Service line at 855-667-3201 (855-NOPEC01). NOPEC's customer service team is available 24/7 to answer your questions.

For more information about NOPEC, visit [nopec.org](http://nopec.org).