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Mountaineer Gas Company Rate for Natural Gas Vehicle Fuel Approved

Effective July 19, 2013, customers of Mountaineer Gas Company, West Virginia’s largest natural gas utility company, have a rate available for fueling natural gas vehicles (NGVs).

The new rate is for the emerging use of natural gas as a vehicle fuel. In addition, the approved tariff provides for Mountaineer Gas to include a credit of $1,000 for each new NGV fueling account that has service turned on before July 19, 2014. The NGV fueling customer then has up to three years to use the credit on that account. The intent is to help stimulate the growth of the NGV use in West Virginia by off-setting some of the cost associated with installing the fueling dispenser. Both home and commercial units are eligible for the credit.

As indicated by the US Department of Energy, compressed natural gas is not only a clean fuel produced here in America, but also NGVs perform similar to gasoline or diesel vehicles with respect to power, acceleration and cruising speed. The gallon equivalent cost of natural gas is far less than gasoline or diesel.

In commenting on the PSC rate approval, Tom M. Taylor, President of Mountaineer Gas Company said, “Mountaineer Gas Company intends to support the development of the NGV fleet in West Virginia. The action today is another step forward in making low cost natural gas available for use as a transportation fuel.”

Mountaineer Gas Company, headquartered in Charleston, West Virginia, is the state’s largest natural gas distribution company. Mountaineer serves approximately 220,000 customers throughout the state and employs over 450.

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