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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
Docketing Division, 11th Floor
180 E. Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

Re: Village of Barnesville
Case # 10-0230-GA-GAG

Dear Sir/Madam:

Please find enclosed for filing in the above referenced docket the opt-out notice for new eligible residential and small commercial natural gas customers in the Village of Barnesville. The opt-out notice will be mailed on October 8, 2014 with a response due date of October 29, 2014.

Very truly yours,

VOLUNTEER ENERGY SERVICES, INC.


John L. Einstein, IV, Esq.



Welcome to Barnesville, Ohio



October 8, 2014

Dear [Village of Barnesville](#) Natural Gas Consumer,

Volunteer Energy Services, Inc. (VESI) in cooperation with the [Village of Barnesville](#) is providing you with the opportunity to join with other residents and small commercial customers in the City's natural gas Governmental Aggregation Program. **If you have received this letter and are not within the city limits of the [Village of Barnesville](#), please let us know by calling 800-977-8374 extension 2345.** Governmental Aggregation programs allow City officials to bring together citizens to gain group-buying power for the purchase of natural gas from a retail supplier licensed by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. [Barnesville](#) voters approved this program in 2009.

We have chosen VESI, an **Ohio** based corporation to continue providing you with natural gas on a yearly basis in consideration of rates offered.

You will be enrolled in the City's Natural Gas Governmental Aggregation Program unless you choose to "opt out" – that is, affirmatively choose not to participate. If you wish to be excluded from the City's natural gas aggregation program please mail the opt-out form attached to the terms and conditions enclosed with this letter by **October 29, 2014**. Otherwise, you will be included in the aggregation program. If you do not opt out at this time, you will receive a notice at least once every two years asking if you wish to remain in the program. However, **you do not need to do anything to continue participating**. There is no cost for enrollment and you will not be charged a switching fee.

For members of this program, Volunteer Energy will deliver natural gas at a price equal to the NYMEX month end close plus a guaranteed 7% off of Columbia Gas of Ohio's Standard Choice Offer (SCO) Adder. The current SCO Adder of \$0.140 per Ccf at the burner tip is effective through March 31, 2015. VE's adder will be \$0.1302 per Ccf at the burner tip through that date.

VESI will notify you if a new rate is established and you will automatically continue at that rate unless you choose to cancel. If a rate is not established, then you will continue at a variable rate as described in the Service Arrangements section of the attached Terms and Conditions. If you are ever unhappy with your rate, you may leave the program free of charge at any time. Please refer to the attached Terms and Conditions for full details of this offer.

Columbia Gas of Ohio will always be responsible for ensuring the distribution of natural gas to your premises and will continue to maintain your meter, the monthly reads and the pipelines that deliver natural gas to your home. Your natural gas bill will also continue to come from Columbia Gas of Ohio.

If you have any questions, please call VESI toll-free at 1-800-977-8374, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sincerely,
Volunteer Energy Services, Inc.

These **ENERGY SUPPLY TERMS AND CONDITIONS** have important information you need to know before you commit to natural gas service from Volunteer Energy Services, Inc. ("VESI"). VESI is an **Ohio** corporation whose customers include a variety of Ohio natural gas end users. As a supply customer of VESI, you agree to the Terms and Conditions of VESI's natural gas supply contract.

Service Arrangement: VESI's energy supply will be delivered to your residence or facility via the utilities pipeline on a month to month basis. Upon acceptance by the utility company the cost will be 7% off COH SCO adder per Ccf plus NYMEX last day settle. Each year the rate will be reviewed between The Village of Barnesville and VESI.

Term: The term of this Agreement shall commence when accepted by VESI and shall continue month to month unless otherwise cancelled by either party. Natural gas service will begin within 60 days of acceptance by Columbia Gas. You may terminate this Agreement with VESI by providing a 30-day notice in writing to VESI or by telephone. Columbia Gas will continue to deliver VESI-supplied natural gas to your home at the agreed upon rate

Office Locations and Hours: VESI's offices are located at 790 Windmill Drive, Pickerington, Ohio 43147 and are open from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. E.S.T., Monday through Friday. VESI can be reached by telephone at (614) 856-3128 or toll free at 800-977-8374 option 1. Telephone service hours are from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. E.S.T., Monday through Thursday. E-mail address is emunn@volunteerenergy.com

Bill Payment Process: Columbia Gas of Ohio will continue to bill you monthly for their delivery services and also for VESI's natural gas supplies. Should you fail to pay the bill or fail to meet any agreed upon payment arrangement, Columbia Gas may terminate your service in accordance with its company tariffs, and this agreement with VESI may be automatically terminated. If VESI is providing billing services, VESI may terminate this agreement with fourteen (14) days' notice for failure to pay the bill or failure to meet any agreed upon payment arrangements.

Complaint Dispute Resolution: If you have any complaints regarding your natural gas service or your monthly bill, please contact us at **800-977-8374**. If your complaint is not resolved after you have called VESI, or for general utility information, residential and business customers may contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), toll free at 1-800-686-7826 or, for TTY toll free at 1-800-686-1570, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays or visit www.puco.ohio.gov. Residential customers may also contact the Ohio Consumers' Council (OCC) for assistance with complaints and utility issues toll free at 1-877-742-5622 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays or visit www.pickocc.org.

Amendment to Agreement: VESI may amend VESI's Supply Agreement from time to time upon approval from the Village of Barnesville. Any amendments made would not take effect for a minimum of thirty (30) days and you will receive thirty (30) days written notice at members - service address. Notice of any such change is public information and may be announced by any one of or

variation of the following methods: local newspaper press release, local radio station announcement, written communications to participants or update on Village's website.

Emergency Service Problems: If you become aware of a gas emergency condition, or experience an unanticipated loss of gas service, you should contact the utility at the number listed on your gas bill.

Credit: If VESI is performing billing services, other than for operation, maintenance, assignment and transfer of your account or, for commercial collection, VESI will not disclose your account number without your affirmative written or electronic authorization or pursuant to a court or commission order. Additionally, if billing, other than for the purposes of credit checking and credit reporting, VESI will not disclose your social security number without your affirmative written consent or pursuant to a court order.

Termination/Rescission of Agreement: You may rescind your natural gas supply enrollment with Columbia Gas of Ohio within seven (7) days of the post mark date of the confirmation notice from Columbia Gas. After the initial seven (7) day period, either you or VESI may terminate the contract at any time by providing the non-terminating party thirty (30) days written notice of such termination, without penalty. You will remain responsible for all natural gas consumed by you prior to the actual cessation of services. If your supply contract with VESI is terminated, your natural gas supply will automatically be provided by the utility under its standard tariff unless or until you choose another supplier. If you voluntarily terminate participation in the Village's natural gas governmental aggregation program, you may be charged a price other than the Columbia Gas regulated sales service rate. **There will be no early termination fees associated with the Village's program.** This agreement will automatically terminate upon the occurrence of any of the following: (1) the requested service location is not served by Columbia Gas; (2) you move outside the Columbia Gas service area or to an area not served by VESI; or (3) VESI terminates your supply agreement and returns you to the incumbent natural gas company. You have the right to terminate this agreement, without penalty, for any reason at any time.

Program Compliance: The utility's deregulation program is subject to the ongoing jurisdiction of the PUCO. If the PUCO cancels the program, this contract is rendered void with no penalty to either party. The laws of the State of Ohio will govern this agreement.

VESI's fixed rate excludes utility charges and taxes. Service is subject to enrollment processing timelines as determined by your local utility and VESI's aforementioned Terms and Conditions of Service. To be eligible to participate in the aggregation, you must: (1) have a residence or business located in the Village of Barnesville; (2) be eligible to receive natural gas from Columbia Gas of Ohio; (3) meet Ohio non-mercantile requirements; (4) be current with your natural gas payments or payment arrangements; (5) not be enrolled in the PIPP program; and (6) currently not taking supply service from another natural gas marketer. If you believe you received this letter in error as you are not located in the Village of Barnesville, please contact VESI to remove your account from our aggregation list.

*P.S. Remember to return the opt-out form **only if you do not** want to participate in the Village's Governmental Aggregation program.*

OPT-OUT FORM FOR THE VILLAGE OF BARNESVILLE GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATION PROGRAM

I wish to opt out of the Village of Barnesville Governmental Aggregation Program
Service Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Account Number: _____

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

Account holder's signature: _____

Mail by **October 29, 2014** to: Village of Barnesville Governmental Aggregation Program, 790 Windmill Drive, Pickerington, Ohio 43147

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Summary: Opt-Out Notice electronically filed by Mr. John L Einstein IV, Esq. on behalf of Village of Barnesville