

## Natural Gas: Domestic, Abundant, Efficient



It heats your home, it cooks your meals, it dries your laundry . . . it's natural gas, and its benefits may be greater than you realize. Not only does this clean-burning fossil fuel keep your home running from day to day, it's also a domestic, abundant and efficient fuel.

**DOMESTIC** – Ninety-eight percent of the natural gas we use in this country is produced in North America. In fact, the United States is the largest producer of natural gas in the world. And while natural gas is fueling your home, it's also supporting our economy by providing jobs for nearly 3 million Americans in all 50 states.

**ABUNDANT** – At the end of 2012, the United States' estimated future supply of natural gas was enough to meet America's diverse energy needs for more than 100 years. Such an abundant supply can satisfy significant new demand at affordable prices well into the future.

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**EFFICIENT** – From source to site, natural gas is the most efficient fuel for your home. Ninety-two percent of natural gas is delivered to your home as energy, compared with only 32 percent for electricity. That means that less energy is being wasted in the production and transportation to your home – that's good for you and the environment.

To discover even more benefits of natural gas, visit the "Save Energy & Money" tab of our website at www.kansasgasservice.com.

Sources: American Gas Association and U.S. Energy Information Administration

## Can We Find Your Home in an Emergency?

In an emergency, first responders and Kansas Gas Service technicians depend on clearly marked addresses to find the right home as quickly as possible. Finding a residence can be challenging if house numbers are unreadable, hidden, unlit or missing.



You can help emergency responders and service technicians locate your home by following these steps:

- Replace aging or faded numbers.
- Clear all obstructions (hanging plants, bushes, flags, etc.) from blocking your house numbers.
- Post large numbers to allow visibility from the road.
- Place your numbers near the road or on the curb, with a reflective coating and contrasting background.
- Allow numbers to be seen from all directions (if your home is on a corner, have numbers posted on all sides).

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Warmer weather is finally here, and you might be ready to turn on your air conditioner. Before you do, remember that energy efficiency is something that you can practice all year. Here are a few easy tips to conserve energy this summer:

- If possible, use a programmable thermostat to keep energy consumption down while you're away.
- Ceiling fans can make a room feel cooler by about four degrees.
- Run appliances, like dishwashers, washers and dryers, during off-peak hours or after the sun goes down.
- Have a professional check your air conditioning system to ensure that it's running properly and remember to replace or clean air filters regularly.
- Shade your windows. Closing drapes, shades or blinds during the day keeps the sun from warming the inside of your house.
- Insulation and weather stripping aren't just for winter.
   Sealing your windows can help keep cool air in and hot air out during the summer months.

