



PAUL BUNYAN
Natural Gas

April 13, 2020

Dear Potential Customer,

Paul Bunyan Natural Gas is happy to announce that we will be constructing our gas distribution system in your area during the Summer of 2020. Construction is scheduled to begin in May 2020.

Paul Bunyan Natural Gas is a new LLC formed by two premiere energy suppliers, Northwest Gas and Northern Star Cooperative Services.

Since construction will be starting soon, and if you are interested in converting to natural gas, we encourage you to consider putting your current propane delivery on WILL CALL. This will allow your tank to be at a lower percentage when conversion is done, and therefore avoid any additional pump-off fees at the time the propane tank is removed. Tanks need to be below 5% in order to be transported on roadways.

We have enclosed a customer application, hook up process, and cost comparison for your convenience. If you would like to enjoy the benefits of natural gas to you, please complete this application and either mail to our office or bring it to our office at your earliest convenience. **In order to use natural gas in your home or business you will have to contact and contract with your preferred heating contractor for the conversion of your gas appliances.**

Please feel free to call our office at (218) 547-4607 with any questions you may have.

Thank You,

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Paul Bunyan Natural Gas

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STEPS TO GET NATURAL GAS HOOKED UP

1. Fill out Customer Application for service and draw a map of the proposed gas line route on the 2nd page of the application. On your map, please include locations of **ALL** private lines (SEWER LINES, WELL, SECONDARY POWER LINES, ETC). Paul Bunyan Natural Gas and/or utility companies will **NOT** be liable for damage to private lines. Then return the Customer Application/Map to Paul Bunyan Natural Gas.
2. Paul Bunyan Natural Gas will flag the proposed route of the gas line using the map on the 2nd page of the Customer Application. Paul Bunyan Natural Gas will then call in the Gopher State One Call ticket for the proposed route to be located. If you have an issue with the white flags identifying the proposed route of the gas line please call Paul Bunyan Natural Gas by the end of the next business day. If we do not hear from you by the end of the next business day, we will assume that there are no problems with the proposed route.
3. After existing utilities has been located on your property, Paul Bunyan Natural Gas will be out within 1-2 weeks (or sooner) to install the service line to your house.
4. **IT IS THE CUSTOMER'S RESPONSIBILITY** to call a heating contractor for an estimate to convert all appliances to natural gas and COMMIT to a heating contractor to do the conversion. Once the **SERVICE LINE** is up to the house, you will need to let your contractor know that your service is UP TO THE HOUSE. We do communicate with the heating contractors on general construction status; however, it is the customer's responsibility to notify the heating contractor that the service line has been installed. **ALL CONVERSIONS ARE DONE AT THE CUSTOMER'S EXPENSE.** In addition, any secondary lines will be billed to the customer at \$5.50 per foot for trenching and \$10.50 per foot for boring.
5. It is the **CONTRACTOR'S** responsibility to contact Paul Bunyan Natural Gas to have the meter installed and have gas turned on to the appliances.
6. After the conversion of your gas appliances, Paul Bunyan Natural Gas will perform a safety inspection to make sure everything has been installed according to current code.

Ex. There is a **black** type **CSST** with internal grounding made by OmegaFlex called TracPipe-Counter Strike that we see used around this area. This type does **NOT** require **bonding**. However, yellow **CSST** (Gastite) type piping must be grounded and bonded.
7. Some water heaters and stoves may not be convertible. **ASK YOUR CONTRACTOR.**
8. Gas fireplaces must be converted before Paul Bunyan Natural Gas will turn on gas, so that everything can be safety tested at the same time. If you have a gas fireplace, please ensure your contractor will convert it too, or make alternate plans for this conversion.
9. Please note that once your service line is installed, you will be charged a Monthly Basic Service Fee (\$8.00/month for residential accounts) beginning November 1st, even if you have not converted your appliances and started using natural gas. If you do not intend to convert your appliances and begin using natural gas this year, please let us know, and we will delay installation of your service line until you're ready to convert.

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HOUSEHOLD SAVINGS EXAMPLES

FUEL OIL-HEATED HOMES

ANNUAL FUEL OIL CONSUMPTION	680 GALLONS
FUEL OIL COST PER GALLON	\$ 2.60
ANNUAL COST OF FUEL OIL	\$ 1,768
EQUIVALENT THERMS OF NATURAL GAS	950
ANNUAL COST OF NATURAL GAS	\$ 1,141
ANNUAL SAVINGS	\$ 627
INVESTMENT RECOVERED IN 5 YEARS AT 5% INTEREST	\$ 2,715

PROPANE-HEATED HOMES

ANNUAL PROPANE CONSUMPTION	1040 GALLONS
PROPANE COST PER GALLON	\$ 1.45
ANNUAL COST OF PROPANE	\$ 1,508
EQUIVALENT THERMS OF NATURAL GAS	950
ANNUAL COST OF NATURAL GAS	\$ 1,141
ANNUAL SAVINGS	\$ 367
INVESTMENT RECOVERED IN 5 YEARS AT 5% INTEREST	\$ 1,589

DUAL-FUEL HOMES

ANNUAL COST OF NATURAL GAS	\$ 1,141
PER-KWH EQUIVALENT COST (90% GAS EFFICIENCY)	\$.046 (One would have to be able to buy electricity at this all-in price (including customer charges) or lower to match natural gas' cost per year)

Paul Bunyan Natural Gas Application For Gas Service

Billing Phone : 800-367-6964 Service Phone: (218)547-4607

SERVICE ADDRESS (Physical Address Of Property)

House Number:	Full Street Name:	Nearest Intersecting Street:	
City:	County:	State:	Zip:
Is this property within the City Limits? Yes, Please Provide City Name:		If No, Please Provide Township Name:	
Building Type: (Please check one)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Home	<input type="checkbox"/> Duplex	<input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Dwelling / # Of Units _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Building

BILLING NAME & ADDRESS (Note: If You Are A Landlord, Please Complete The Landlord Section Below)

Name To Appear On Billing:	
Social Security Number:	Cell Phone Number:
Email Address:	
Additional Name (Spouse or Roommate) To Appear On Billing:	
Social Security Number:	Cell Phone Number:
Email Address:	
Mailing Address: (Street or P.O. Box)	
City, State & Zip Code	

AGREEMENT & SIGNATURES

I accept responsibility for payment of all bills for gas supplied and services rendered to the above premises. I agree not to change or repair, in any manner, any part of the gas delivery system without approval and inspection by Paul Bunyan Natural Gas. I agree to exercise and observe due caution in the use of this gas, for the protection of life, prevention of personal or public injury, and damage/destruction of property. I also agree to immediately notify Paul Bunyan Natural Gas of any malfunctions of the gas delivery equipment that I observe at this address. I understand that a finance charge of 18% A.P.R. will be charged to all balances which are unpaid by the due date. I agree to pay such finance charges plus pay reasonable collection costs of up to 40% of balance owing on the date the account is turned over to a collection agency, should I not pay the account within the time allowed. This collection policy appears on and applies to all of our sales agreements and invoices. I certify that I have read and understand the policies listed above and that the information is true.

*****I agree to pay the Monthly Basic Service Fee beginning the month the service riser is installed, or on November 1st of the year installed, whichever occurs later, regardless of the date on which I begin consuming gas*****

Are you the Owner of this property? ___ Yes ___ No (Check One)	
If No, Name Of Landlord:	Landlord Phone #:

LANDLORD AGREEMENT (COMPLETE ONLY IF RENTAL PROPERTY)

I understand that in advance to the billing name change, each renter will be required to pay Paul Bunyan Natural Gas LLC a security Deposit. I agree to notify Paul Bunyan Gas each time a renter moves in or out of the above listed property. I agree to be responsible for the gas billings for this property if the renter does not pay the security deposit by the date given for the billing change. I agree, that if three or more renters leave a balance owing 30 or more days after moving out, that I will take full responsibility for all future gas billings and the billings will no longer be the responsibility of the renters.

I, the Landlord, would like the gas meter ___ shut off or ___ left on, and put into my name, in between renters.
(Please Check One)

Landlord Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Applicant Signature) (Date) (Co-Applicant Signature) (Date)

Customer Name: _____ Property Address: _____

GAS SERVICE INFORMATION

Total Gas Load (BTUs/hour): _____

CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Contractor Name: _____ Contractor Phone Number: _____

Planned Conversion:
 At time of service line installation Future Date (Please specify mm/yy) _____

FACILITY INFORMATION

Building Type: (Please Check One)
 Single Home Multi-Dwelling / # Of Units _____ Commercial Building

Building Class: (Please Check One)
 Residential Commercial

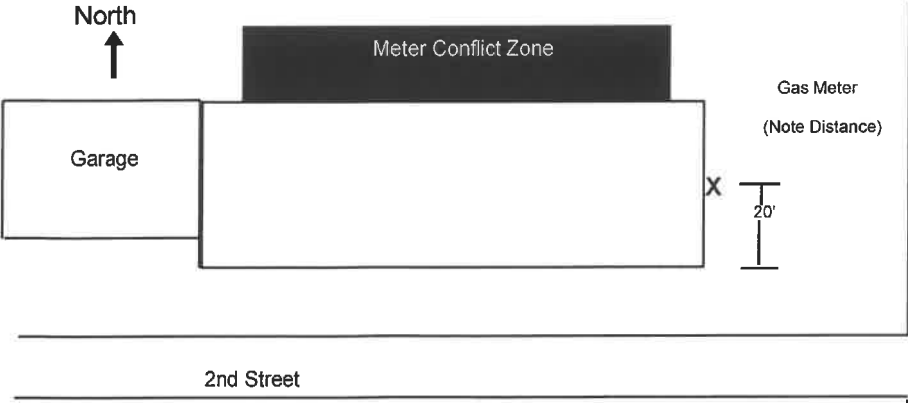
Sketch (attach site plan or draw sketch below) including proposed meter locations and compass directions. Please sketch house when you are facing the front of the house from the outside.



Please Indicate North

***PLEASE NOTE:
 Keep in mind any future plans for egress windows, decks, patios, garage or house additions, or kennels.
 Meter can NOT be located inside a locked fence or kennel, under a window or within 3 feet of an ignition source
 Paul Bunyan Natural Gas must have physical access to the meter at all times.

EXAMPLE:



1. Indicate distances for meter from nearest corner of building.
 2. Preferred meter location is on same side of house as gas source.
 3. Site must be within 4" of final grade (for new construction).
 4. Winter construction charges may apply from Oct 1 - Apr 15.
 5. Any secondary lines will incur a fee of \$5.50/ft for trenching and \$10.50/ft for boring.
- Meter Conflict Zone is any potential area for a deck, patio, pool, etc.**

Paul Bunyan Natural Gas Guidelines for Construction

The structure must be backfilled by the date gas service is desired with a 15-foot wide route clear of debris and within 3 inches of final grade from meter location to the property line.

Neither our company nor our contractor shall be liable for any repairs or damages to electric services buried less than 24 inches (minimum code requirement) from existing grade.

Service installation requests will be handled on a "First Come - First Served" basis and require a minimum 3 weeks lead time for scheduling installation on the date desired.

Company procedures require meter sets along side walls to be placed within 4 feet of the front or rear corner of the structure.

Measurement facilities and up to 150 feet of service line will be installed at company expense. Service line extensions beyond 150 feet from the property line or right-of-way will be charged at \$4.00 per foot, payable prior to meter installation.

Service installation requests received after October 1st, or not meeting the above requirements, will not be guaranteed service for the current construction year.

All construction accounts must be made current and kept current during the construction season. Failure to pay bills on time will hold up the process of gas service.

Terms and Conditions

Article I. This agreement is subject to the Terms and Conditions stated herein and all Rules and Regulations presently on file with your local regulatory commission. In the event there is a conflict between the Terms and Conditions stated herein and the Rules and Regulations presently on file with the commission, the commission will supersede and govern in all cases.

Article ii. Company will supply Subscriber with gas only through the meter or meters furnished and owned by Company. Subscriber agrees not to change or repair, in any manner, any part of the gas delivery system.

Article III. Subscriber agrees to indemnify Company against any injuries to or loss of Company property, proximately rising out of the negligence or willful act of Subscriber or any person upon his premises with his consent or sufferance.

Article IV. Applications for gas service and notices to discontinue service must be made to Company at its main office. Subscriber will pay for all gas consumed and related fees until notice to discontinue gas service is received by Company and final reading of meter had been made (for which purpose 48 hours shall be allowed).

Article V. Company shall not be liable for damages caused by interruptions or fluctuations in service by acts of God or the public enemy, strikes, riots, diminution or failure of supply of gas and other events which could not reasonably have been prevented by Company.

Article VI. NO OPEN LIGHT SHALL BE TAKEN NEAR ANY ESCAPING GAS. SUBSCRIBER MUST GIVE COMPANY PROMPT NOTICE UPON THE DISCOVERY OF ESCAPING GAS. Company shall not be liable for any damage or loss which may arise from any escape or incomplete combustion of gas on or in Subscriber's premises.

Article VII. Agents or Company are hereby authorized to enter Subscriber's premises to install, maintain and remove Company property. Company has no duty to inspect, maintain or repair any property of Subscriber.

Article VIII. Subscriber shall notify Company before adding additional gas load to existing requirements.