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## Core Energy Profile

Hello and welcome to Core Energy's first natural gas insight newsletter. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you some insight into the natural gas industry and to offer some helpful energy reducing ideas.



This was taken in 2005 on my last day in  
Kuwait.

First a little about Core Energy:

Core Energy is a Veteran owned Natural Gas Supply Company. I started Core Energy in 2009. I've been in the energy industry since the early 1990's and I recently retired from the US Army reserves after 20yrs of service. In 2005 I was deployed with my Army reserve unit, out of Lancaster Pa., to Kuwait. I was awarded the Bronze Star for Meritorious service while serving as the Contract Officer for government's largest port. The port was and is responsible for moving equipment in and out of the "war zone". As a customer of Core Energy thank you for your business and support of a Veteran Owned Business.

## What Makes up the Price of Natural Gas on my Utility Bill

Natural gas is produced from wells that are drilled into the ground in known supply regions. The gas then travels via interstate pipelines to our nation's utility distribution systems where the gas then flows to your home or business. Natural gas has several pricing components that when combined make up the price or cost to you the consumer.

Pricing Components:

- Physical Supply cost – This is the cost of the gas as it comes out of the ground and the price is determined by market traders known as the NYMEX
- Pipeline Transport – This is the cost to move gas from the production zones to each specific utility.
- Utility Costs – These costs include a monthly minimum charge, a distribution charge to move the gas through the utilities pipes to your home or business and the actual cost of the physical gas.

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## **Ways to save on Natural Gas Usage this winter:**

Below are some simple steps you can take to slash your home's heating bill. Six steps cost nothing. There are eight more that cost under \$100 on the MSN website. Combine them, and you can often expect to save 20% — and possibly much, much more — on your home heating bill this winter. Depending on what you spend to save energy, there might be federal tax breaks to sweeten the savings.

Grab that free, low-hanging fruit

First, the freebies. These strategies may sound simplistic, but they work well:

- Turn down the thermostat. "The rule of thumb is that you can save about 3% on your heating bill for every degree that you set back your thermostat" full time, says Bill Prindle, deputy director for the nonprofit [American Council for an Energy-Efficient Economy](#) (ACEEE). Turn down the thermostat 10 degrees when you go to work, and again when you go to bed -- a total of 16 hours a day -- and you can save about 14% on your heating bill, says Prindle.
- Use fans wisely. In just one hour, a hard-working bathroom or kitchen fan can expel a houseful of warm air, according to the Department of Energy. Turn them off as soon as they've done their job.
- Keep the fireplace damper closed. Heat rises, and an open damper is like a hole in the roof. Also, limit use of fireplace, since fires actually suck heat from a room, says Harvey Sachs, director of ACEEE's buildings program. Close off seldom-used rooms. And shut the vents inside.
- Turn down the water heater. Lowering the temperature of water in the water heater to 115-120 degrees reduces power use often without a noticeable difference to the user, says Prindle.
- Keep heating vents clear. Vents blocked by rugs and furniture prevent heated air from circulating efficiently.
- Use curtains. Opening curtains and shades on south-facing windows during the day allows solar radiation to warm a living space; closing all curtains at night helps retard the escape of that heat.
- For the complete list from MSN real estate tips: Call or email me and I'll be happy to send you the detailed list.



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