



# The ERPUD Underground

*"Fuel for Thought"*

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Elk River Public Utility District – "Your Hometown Natural Gas Provider Since 1955."  
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## Don't Miss This Deal!!!

**Deadline is July 30<sup>th</sup> !!**

Make the most of your natural gas service by taking advantage of our special offers! Through July 30, 2004, we will be doubling the rebates for qualifying natural gas appliances. See below for details.

Also, share the advantage of natural gas comfort and efficiency with your family, friends, and neighbors. Tell them now is the time to switch to natural gas! All applications for new service lines received through July 30, 2004, will save \$125.00 off the standard tap fee.

It is time to realize increased equipment efficiency and to save money, now and in the future!

### INSIDE...

Water heater savings

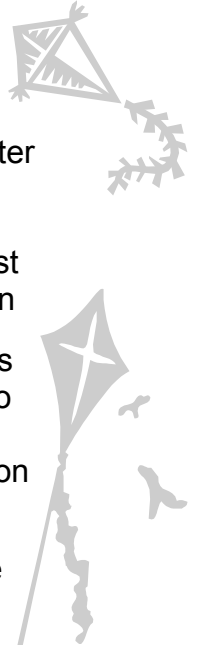
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*Thanks for choosing  
Natural Gas!*

# SEASONAL SAVINGS DOUBLE REBATES!!

Double Rebates will apply to qualifying installations of the following natural gas appliances:

**WATER/POOL HEATERS**  
**OUTDOOR LIGHTING**  
**DRYERS**  
**RANGES**



~~\$150~~  
~~\$100~~  
~~\$25~~  
~~\$25~~

**\$300**  
**\$200**  
**\$50**  
**\$50**

This special offer is good now through July 30, 2004. Appropriate paperwork must be dated during the promotion period to qualify. We offer professional installations of most natural gas appliances & free safety inspections of installations completed by your contractor. Please call for additional details.

### Summertime Reminders:

Please watch for children at play.

Avoid the midday sun. Use sun block and/or protective clothing.

Avoid heat exhaustion, stay cool and drink plenty of fluids.

Use insect repellent.

Practice Water/Boating Safety, always use floatation devices.

## When's the last time you got a 30% return on your investment?

### A Natural Gas water heater can deliver that and so much more!

- **Natural gas** water heaters can save more than 30% over a comparable electric water heater.
- **Natural gas** water heaters provide twice the hot water.
- **Natural gas** water heaters are low maintenance.
- **Natural gas** water heaters have no heating element to replace.
- **Natural gas** water heaters operate without electricity.... No power .... No problem!



Don't let that electric water heater continue eating up your hard earned money. Switch to natural gas water heating today.....and save **TIME, ENERGY & MONEY**

### Attractive Security



Natural gas lights are an attractive way to illuminate yards, driveways, patios, and decks at minimal cost.

Gas lighting provides a warm glow with ample lighting without attracting bugs.

Add a little old-world charm by installing natural gas lighting along your driveway or walkway.

A natural gas light near the garage or entry door provides added security, even when the power goes out.

### Free Safety Inspections

We offer free natural gas safety inspections to insure your natural gas equipment has been installed in accordance with applicable safety codes, etc. Please contact our office and a qualified technician will come out to review and approve your installation.

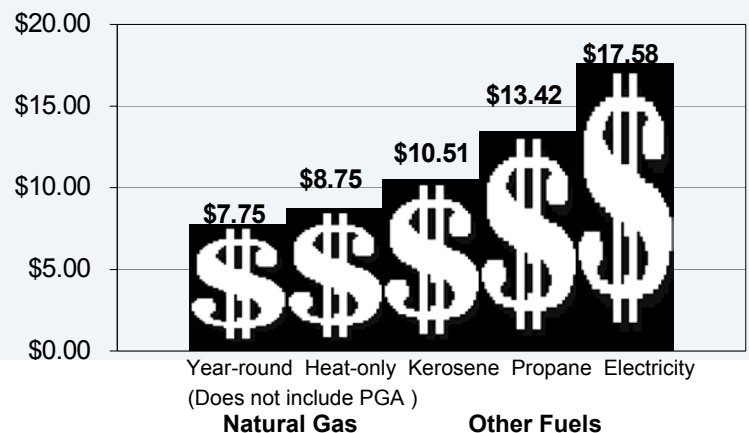
Please visit our website [www.erpud.com](http://www.erpud.com)

### MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR RESIDENTIAL SERVICE

Gaslights, water heaters, pool heaters, ranges, dryers, & grills are all year-round appliances. By installing any of the above appliances you may qualify for our lower year-round rate. If you are currently only heating with gas call our office to find out more about potential year-round savings.

### SAVE BY USING NATURAL GAS YEAR-ROUND

Energy Cost Comparison per Million BTU



# C onstruction

**Please pardon our progress.**

We are continuously expanding and improving our service area to accommodate the demand for natural gas energy. We install approximately 25-30 miles of main extensions and replacements annually.

## Clean up

After a new main or service is installed, you can rest assured that you'll see us again! Weather permitting, we will return within 4 to 6 weeks to perform clean up and restoration of any areas affected by the installation of natural gas lines. Should further settling occur, please feel free to notify us and we'll gladly return!

## Natural Gas Pipeline Projects

Growing to serve you better!

### Coffee County

Volney St., Anderson St.	In Progress
Turkey Creek Dr.	Complete
West Lincoln St.	Complete
Flowertown Rd.	Complete

### Franklin County

Roarks Cove Rd.	Complete
Harris Chapel Rd.	Complete

## Weather Effects

Wet spring weather may cause delays in installations and/or yard maintenance.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and thank you for your patience.



We carry a complete line of Broilmaster Grills and accessories. Come by any of our offices and see "The Most Durable Grill Known to Man."

## Keep Your Natural Gas Grill in Top Shape

Routine maintenance will assure you of great grilling. Remove and clean cooking grids and burner. Check the orifices for blockages. Replace lava rock or briquettes as necessary.



## Make a Difference to Someone in Need: Participate in Project HELP

You may add \$1.00 (or more) to your monthly bill to help those in need of financial assistance with their energy bills. The Good Samaritan Program distributes your voluntary contributions to this project. Please call our office for details.

# Kitchen Creations



### Old-Fashioned Barbecue Spareribs

- 3-4 lbs pork spareribs
- ½ cup onion, peeled and chopped
- 2 tbsp butter
- 1 cup water
- ¼ cup vinegar
- 2 ½ tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- ½ cup lemon juice
- 2 cups bottled chili sauce
- 1 tsp salt
- ¾ tsp paprika

Cut the ribs into serving size pieces. Place in a roasting pan, cover with foil and bake on the grill at 450 degrees for 15 minutes. Brown the onions in the melted butter. Mix in the remaining ingredients and let them simmer for 20 minutes. Brush the ribs with the barbecue sauce and place over moderately high heat on the grill. Brush and turn frequently, until ribs are cooked to taste. Serves 6.

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**24-Hour  
Emergency**

**24-Hour Emergency Service**  
Our trained technicians are always available to assist you with natural gas leaks, disturbed or broken gas lines, equipment problems, carbon monoxide, or other potential natural gas emergencies. If you believe an emergency may exist, please don't hesitate, call us immediately.

**Peace of Mind  
Since 1955**

**Your Safety is  
our #1 Priority**

Do your home improvements include adding trees and shrubs to your landscape or installing a new fence or pool? If so, please remember to:



**CALL BEFORE YOU DIG!**

**1-800-351-1111**

**TENNESSEE ONE – CALL SYSTEM, INC.**

**IT'S THE LAW!**

***How are we doing?***

Customer satisfaction is our goal. Are you pleased with the service you receive from Elk River Public Utility District?

If you have suggestions for improving our service, we'd like to hear them. Please call, write, or email us with your ideas.

***Dates to Remember:***

In observance of these holidays, our offices will be closed:

***Independence Day***  
***Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup>***

***Labor Day***  
***Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup>***

Please feel free to use our after hours depositories to make your payments.

Our trained, experienced dispatchers and service technicians are available 24 hours a day to assist you in any natural gas emergency.

**Billing Due Dates**

***If You Live In: Your Bill Due Date is:***

<b>Manchester / Hillsboro</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Winchester</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup></b>
<b>Tullahoma (T-1 / West)</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Cowan / Estill Springs / Decherd</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Tullahoma (T-2 / East)</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Sewanee / University of the South</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>St. Andrews / Industrials</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Interruptible / Metered LP</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup></b>

Office hours are Monday – Friday, 7:30-4:30. Payment may be made by cash, check, money order, bank draft, or credit card. Credit card payments may also be made by phone. The after hours depositories are located at the drive-up at each of our three offices.

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