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SERVICE THROUGH INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Finnish tire manufacturer Nokian Tyres has announced that they will spend 360 million dollars in Dayton, Tennessee over the next few years building their North American tire manufacturing plant. When completed this plant will be one of MTNG's largest industrial customers on the basis of energy use, and it will also be one of the area's larger employers.

Our Mission is to support the growth of the communities we serve by providing safe, reliable, and competitive natural gas service. While we have formalized and refreshed our wording of that statement a few times over the years, it is based on "Service" and largely unchanged from our forefathers' vision when MTNG was created in 1955.

We love to be involved in the community through Project Hometown Help, and chamber of commerce work, and individual work in all manner of leagues, teams, and charities. But MTNG's primary mission of "Service" is to expand our piping system and get America's primary energy product, Natural Gas, to as many homes, businesses and industries as possible in our service area.

The economic development model of having services, in our case energy, available for industrial development; produces industrial development, which in turn creates commercial and residential development; which in turn lifts the entire economic situation in our rural communities and areas. No one knows what our area would look like today if our forefathers had not had the vision to bring natural gas energy to our rural areas, but it definitely would be a lesser, more stagnate local economy. Dayton would not have gotten a second look from Nokian if MTNG's solid natural gas infrastructure was not in place there.

Nokian Tyres is just one example of this model of service at work in our area. MTNG looks forward to working with Nokian and our 300 other industrial accounts located throughout MTNG's service territory.

Below is a depiction of a finished facility

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FUEL	AVERAGE PRICE as of May 2017	PRICE PER MILLION BTUs
Natural Gas	\$0.915 / therm Plus a \$7/month Customer Charge	\$ 9.15
Electricity	\$0.092 / kwh Plus a monthly Customer Charge	\$ 26.95
Propane	\$1.750 / gallon	\$ 19.06
Kerosene	\$4.339 / gallon	\$ 32.14
Gasoline	\$2.299 / gallon	\$ 18.39
Diesel	\$2.229 / gallon	\$ 17.48

Life with Natural Gas

For this article and more information, visit www.yourenergyamerica.com Traveling through pipelines and into our homes, natural gas is a key part of our everyday lives. It keeps us warm. It makes long, hot showers possible. It cooks our meals with precise, even temperatures. It even dries our clothes faster. Natural gas is there day and night providing us with reliable energy to conduct our lives. With so much reliability, it's easy to take this clean energy source for granted—but it would be a mistake to forget that the benefits we enjoy come from natural gas.

We may not think about it, but one-third of natural gas produced in America is used to manufacture and transport the products and services we use every day. Thanks to natural gas, our favorite football teams have cleats, our kids have crayons, farmers have fertilizer and mom has her favorite perfume. There are thousands of products made from natural gas. Our products are often transported in natural gas vehicles, but even when they're not, natural gas is used to make the tires on the trucks. From agriculture to manufacturing, to our local schools and to our homes, *Natural Gas* has a big impact on our daily lives.

KNOW THE FACTS TO RECOGNIZE AND REACT

From start to finish, natural gas is the safest, most reliable and efficient energy available. Though natural gas incidents are very uncommon, you should know telltale signs and what to do when faced with them.

The number one cause of natural gas emergencies is damage by a third party. Before <u>any</u> excavation, you must call Tennessee One Call at **811** to have utilities located and marked. It is smart, free, and **it is the law**. Please do not dig carelessly near gas pipelines. Call before you dig, wait to have the lines marked, respect the markers, and dig with care.



SMELL

Look

Blowing dirt, bubbling water, dry spots in moist areas, or dead vegetation may indicate a gas leak.

LISTEN

A hissing sound near a natural gas pipeline or an appliance may indicate a leak.

Natural gas has a unique odor added to it so you can be aware of a leak through your sense of smell long before there is any danger.

If you suspect a gas leak, TAKE ACTION:

LEAVE IMMEDIATELY – Do not try to find or stop the leak. Get to a safe area.

MINIMIZE POTENTIAL SOURCES OF IGNITION -

Do not touch anything electrical. Do <u>not</u> smoke, use phones, turn appliances or lights on or off, or operate any equipment that could spark.

CALL – Once you are out of the area where a gas leak is suspected, call Middle Tennessee Natural Gas to investigate.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To learn more, you can phone your local MTNG office or visit us at www.mtng.com.

THE 811 PROCESS



FOR HOMEOWNERS

1 NOTIFY

Notify your local one-call center by calling 811 or making an online request 2-3 days before work begins. Click here for information about your local one-call center and online service availability. The one-call center will transmit information to affected utility operators.



2 WAIT

Wait 2-3 days (varies by state; please click here for state law information) for affected utility operators to respond to your request. On average, between 7-8 utility operators are notified for each request.



3 CONFIRM

Confirm that all affected utility operators have responded to your request by comparing the marks to the list of utilities the one-call center notified. State laws vary on the process for confirmation; please check with your local one-call center for more information.



5 DIG CAREFULLY

Dig carefully. If you can't avoid digging near the marks (within 18-24 inches on all sides, depending on state law), consider moving your project to another part of your yard. If you must dig near the marks or use machinery of any kind, please click here to read "The 811 Process for Contractors."





4 RESPECT

Respect the marks. The marks provided by the affected utility operators are your guide for the duration of your project. If you are unable to maintain the marks during your project, or the project will continue past your request's expiration date (varies by state), please call 811 to ask for a re-mark.

