

To: Archdiocese of Indianapolis School Principals and/or Parish Business Managers
From: Jeffrey D. Stumpf, Chief Financial Officer
Date: February 4, 2009
Re: Gas Bill Cost Savings Opportunity

With the winter heating months upon us and the recent volatility in natural gas prices, I hope to call your attention to a potential cost savings opportunity for our schools. ProLiance Energy, LLC (ProLiance), a gas marketing company jointly owned by subsidiaries of Citizens Gas & Coke Utility and Vectren Corporation, helps schools save money by purchasing natural gas on the open market through ProLiance instead of purchasing the natural gas from the local utility.

Depending on a specific school's natural gas usage, the annual expected savings per site could range from \$1,000 to \$10,000 per year. To receive a natural gas savings analysis from ProLiance, please submit the school's previous 12 months of natural gas bills to ProLiance.

While this opportunity has previously been available only to Vectren customers, Citizens Gas has made some changes that now enables its customers to participate in the ProLiance program. To be eligible for the program you have to fit one of the following criteria:

Vectren customers – parishes may participate if they have a school on the property

Citizens Gas customers – any non-residential customer in Marion County can participate

ProLiance has over 1300 customers across 2000 locations throughout the Midwest and is currently transporting for over 40 school corporations in Indiana. Lafayette's Central Catholic Jr./Sr. High School has been working with ProLiance for over 6 years, and several of our archdiocesan schools have participated in the program for nearly 2 years with very positive results.

This is a great opportunity for the parishes and schools of the Archdiocese to save on our operating costs. The Archdiocese has already reviewed the paperwork and contracts required to get started on this opportunity. Please call Scott Whitaker at ProLiance Energy at 317-231-6941 to complete a savings analysis. If you'd like to discuss this opportunity and ask questions of us at the archdiocese, please call Stacy Harris at 317-236-1535 or 1-800-382-9836 ext. 1535