

Communities receive \$5.6 million from M.U.D.

Annual payments by M.U.D. in-lieu-of-taxes boosted the treasuries of nine communities by a total of \$5,642,526. In-lieu-of-tax payments are based on 2 percent of gross revenues derived from the sale of natural gas and water in communities we serve.

The District also pays motor vehicle license fees, wheel and gasoline taxes, permit fees and all other excise and general sales taxes. Here are the amounts each community received:

Omaha	\$5,260,471
Bellevue	292,999
Boys Town	27,932
LaVista	17,964
Bennington	13,606
Ralston	9,287
Springfield	7,660
Fort Calhoun	7,212
Yutan	5,395



Live Green. Think Blue.

Pay your bill on-line

Residential customers can save time and postage by paying their bills on-line with credit cards. There is no cost for the service.

Residential customers also may view their bills; payments and account histories for the past 24 months.

To use the convenience, go to <http://www.mudomaha.com>. Click on "pay your bill on-line or by phone," which is located on the right side of the home page. You also may go directly to the payment site: <http://myaccount.mudomaha.com>.

You will need to have your social security number on the M.U.D. account before you can activate the system. Call 554.6666 to make sure your social security number is on file.

Only Tap Water DeliversSM

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support for economy • quality of life

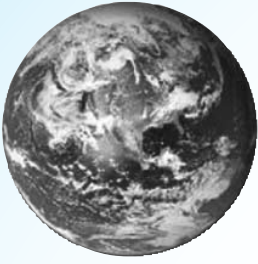
To activate the system, you will need to provide your M.U.D. account number and the last four digits of your social security number to activate your on-line account.

Once you complete and submit the enrollment form, M.U.D. will activate your service immediately. The system is secure and protected by the latest encryption technology.

Commercial customers may use the one-time payment option to pay their bill on-line.

If you do not have access to the Internet, you may pay your bill with a credit card over the phone. Call 554.6666, Monday through Friday, 7:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.

Credit card payments also are accepted at the Downtown office, 1723 Harney St.



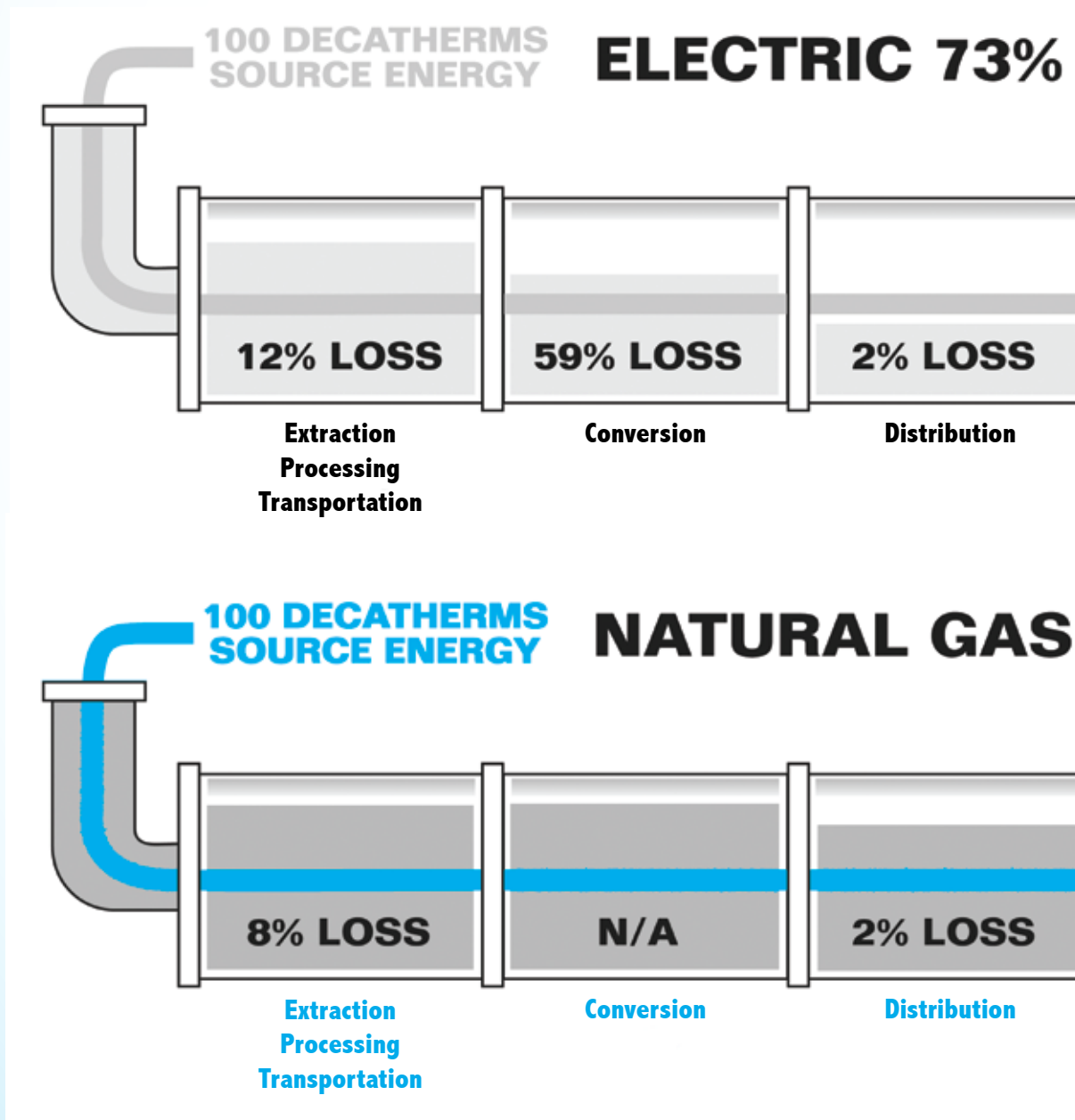
Live Green. *Think*

The full fuel cycle of natural gas is three times more efficient than electric.

Did you know a natural gas furnace heats your home, on average, 15 degrees warmer than electric?

By choosing natural gas in your home, you are lowering your carbon footprint* and reducing your energy costs.

* Your carbon footprint is the direct effect your actions and lifestyle have on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide emissions. The biggest contributors to your footprint are your travel needs and your electricity demands at home. —From website



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10% LOSS



Carbon dioxide emission comparisons

Carbon emissions for electric generation assume power generated by burning coal.

Water Heater	Natural Gas	Electric	Reduction
Energy factor	.59	.90	
CO2 emissions (tons)	1.5	5.5	73%
Full fuel cycle energy (decatherms)	29.4	64.7	55%
Operating cost	\$232	\$358	35%

Clothes Drying	Natural Gas	Electric	Reduction
CO2 emissions (tons)	0.3	1.2	74%
Full fuel cycle energy (decatherms)	6.4	13.6	55%
Operating cost	\$36	\$76	53%

Space Heating	Natural Gas	Electric	Reduction
Energy factor	92%	8.0 HSPF*	
CO2 emissions (tons)	2.7	8.9	69%
Full fuel cycle energy (decatherms)	55.3	105.3	47%
Operating cost	\$438	\$437	0%

*8.9 HSPF heat pump with 80% gas furnace backup

Cooking Appliances	Natural Gas	Electric	Reduction
CO2 emissions (tons)	0.2	1.9	79%
Full fuel cycle energy (decatherms)	4.4	12.3	64%
Operating cost	\$32	\$68	53%

One call and utility lines are marked free

Knowing where underground utility lines are buried before each digging project begins helps protect you from injury, expense and penalties.

By dialing 811, you will be connected to Digger's Hotline. After collecting all the necessary information regarding your planned "dig," Digger's Hotline will notify the affected utilities, who will mark the underground lines for free.

The depth of utility lines varies and there may be multiple utility lines in the same area. Even simple digging projects can damage utility lines and can disrupt vital services to an entire neighborhood, harm diggers and potentially result in expensive fines and repair costs.

Marked lines show diggers the approximate location of underground lines and help prevent undesired consequences.

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I'm a homeowner, not a contractor. Do I have to call before I dig?

Contacting Digger's Hotline two business days prior to digging, excavating or disturbing the soil in any manner is required by everyone in the State of Nebraska — even homeowners!

The call is free. The service is free. Whether you are planting a tree, replacing a mailbox, putting up fence or are a seasoned landscaper, etc... you must call every time.

How do I contact Digger's Hotline?

Digger's Hotline offers a variety services to place your locate request. The contact information is listed below.

Monday-Friday, 7 a.m.-7 p.m.

811

e-mail: www.ne-diggers.com

Gas, Water Emergencies

554.7777

Customer Service

(7:30 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.)

554.6666

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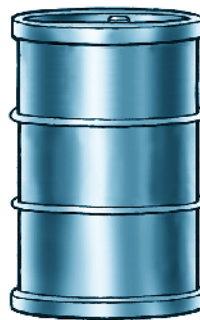
account information

504.7025

Dial 2-1-1, 24/7

Dial United Way of the Midland's 2-1-1 for help or information with a health or human service issue, including:

- Utilities, rent, mortgage foreclosure, food, clothing
- Abuse prevention, mental health services, medical support groups
- Senior, teen, children services



PLASTIC BOTTLES HEATED IN THE SUN CAN LEACH CHEMICALS INTO THE WATER.

