

'Ample Supply' of Natural Gas Assured

An ample supply of natural gas for Muncie "at least in the foreseeable future," has been assured by a new contract signed recently by officials of the Central Indiana Gas Company and the Panhandle Eastern Pipeline Company.

C. M. Cullison, vice-president of Central Company, who met with Panhandle officials in Washington, D. C., said that the local firm will be in a "much better position to serve their territory than in the past."

Expansion of pipeline systems of the Panhandle Company, which obtains gas from Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma, and a new contract with the Trunk Line Gas Supply Company, will greatly add to deliverability of the former, he said.

The Central Company, which last year metered approximately 15 billion cubic feet of gas to its customers in seven area counties, will ask the Public Service Commission of Indiana to further release heating restrictions in early spring. More homes will be provided with gas if the PSC agrees.

Central Indiana has three types of service, domestic and commercial, firm and interruptible contracts. The latter provides that in emergency, industries are restricted in the supply of gas they use in order to protect domestic users.

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