

EMPOWER NIAGARA

Blocks of low-cost hydro power are available to business and industry who will be adding new electrical load through the Niagara County Legislature's Empower Niagara Program. The Empower Niagara Program offers hydroelectric power at a very affordable price - among the least expensive in the nation. Certain parameters must be met, including: locating in Niagara County, creation and/or retention of jobs and willingness to commit contractually to the eligibility guidelines.

NATURAL GAS & ELECTRIC

Natural gas service is supplied to the eastern portion of Niagara County by NYSEG, while the western area is served by National Fuel Corporation.



NYSEG has an economic development program that supports business retention, expansion and attraction throughout the NYSEG service area. They provide economic development consulting services to businesses including:

- site location
- financing alternatives
- work force identification
- business incentives

Furthermore, NYSEG provides access to energy services. Specific programs through NYSEG include:

- Economic Development Promotion
- Prospect Development
- Business Assistance
- Energy Incentive Rates
- Technical Services

NEW YORK STATE ELECTRIC & GAS CORP.
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Lancaster, NY 14086
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www.nyseg.com



National Fuel Corporation is the natural gas provider to the western portion of Niagara County, including the City of Niagara Falls. Programs through National Fuel include:

- Empire Zone Rate
- Equipment Leasing
- Industrial/Commercial Energy Audits
- Area Development Program

NATIONAL FUEL
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Williamsville, NY 14221
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National Grid supplies electricity to all of Niagara County with the exception of the Town and City of Lockport, which is supplied by the New York State Electric & Gas Corporation (NYSEG).

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National Grid's Upstate NY Economic Development is equipped with a host of programs, services, and resources. We have the tools and expertise to make your job easier. Whatever your economic development needs may be, a good place to start is just a click away: http://nationalgridus.com/niagara_mohawk/business/ecdev/ecdev/.asp. See for yourself the ways we can help!

- Industrial/commercial energy services
- Energy Efficiency
- Empire Zone Rates
- Energy Infrastructure
- Developing your sites

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The New York Power Authority's (NYPA) Niagara Power Project is one of the largest hydroelectric complexes in the world. New businesses or companies looking to expand their operations in Western New York may be eligible for allocations of special low-cost power from the Power Authority.

NYPA has also established the Greater Niagara Economic Development Loan Fund to provide low-interest loans for new or expanding companies.

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AES Somerset, LLC owns and operates the Somerset Power Plant on the southern shore of Lake Ontario. It produces electricity at its 675 megawatt state-of-the-art, coal-fired generating plant. Its 1,200 acre site receives bituminous coal by way of rail lines owned by the Somerset Railroad Corporation.



Generating plant on Lake Ontario in Somerset, NY.

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COVANTA

The conversion of municipal solid waste to energy at the Niagara Resource Recovery Facility, a pioneer in the modern waste-to-energy industry, began in 1980. In 1993, the facility was retrofitted with air quality control equipment enabling it to meet stringent environmental standards and commitments. The mass burning Duesseldorf Roller Grate System also replaced the existing refuse-derived fuel technology. Today, the facility processes 2,250 tons of waste per day, selling the steam to adjacent chemical facilities and the electricity to Niagara Mohawk Power Company.

COVANTA NIAGARA COMPANY
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Niagara Falls, NY 14304
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www.covantaholding.com

FORTISTAR

The North Tonawanda Project is a 55MW gas-fired combined-cycle cogeneration facility located at 1070 Erie Avenue in the City of North Tonawanda and a 12.5 acre greenhouse located in the Town of Wheatfield, NY. The North Tonawanda facility sells electricity under a long-term contract to National Grid. Steam energy is delivered to a 12.5 acre greenhouse owned by the project. The six million pounds of hydroponic tomatoes produced annually by the greenhouse are sold through local distributors and shipped all over North America.

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NATURAL GAS & ELECTRIC



The Niagara Generating Facility is an operating coal and tire-derived fuel (TDF) fired power plant with efforts underway to burn biomass and TDF fuel. The converted facility will sell electricity and renewable resource credits to customers in New York state.

NIAGARA GENERATION, LLC
5300 Frontier Avenue
Niagara Falls, NY 14304
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Located within a 515-acre industrial park, this cogeneration facility consists of three combustion turbine generators, three supplementary fired heat recovery steam generators a steam turbine generator and associated equipment. Each combustion turbine burns natural gas or low-sulfur No. 2 fuel oil as a back-up fuel to drive the generator to produce electricity which is supplied to both Delphi Thermal and NYSEG. Process steam is supplied to Delphi Thermal as required.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS



Totally Digital Network

All 12 computer-based switching centers in Niagara County utilize digital technology for high-speed, high-volume, secure and reliable delivery of information. These major switching centers are equipped with advanced features for business and residential use, such as Caller ID with Name, Voice Dialing, Voice Mail, Three-Way Calling and Call Manager.

Verizon is an Internet Service Provider (Verizon Online). Verizon is also the largest provider of Wireless and Information Directory Services.

Expansive Infrastructure

A 7,000 mile network of high-speed fiber optic cables and trunks serve the Niagara County area. All of Verizon major switches in the county are connected with fiber, providing high-speed, high volume transmission of voice, video and data. Fiber Optic technology uses hair-thin glass fibers to send and receive data through pulses of light. This state-of-the-art technology is easy to maintain and is immune to inclement weather. To support this expansive infrastructure is the placement of 92 digital loop carriers that bring sophisticated features closer to the customer, particularly those in more suburban and rural settings. These loop carriers allow customers to take advantage of fiber optic cables over conventional copper cables.

Verizon® InfospeedSM DSL is a fast, flexible and affordable flat-rate transmission service that turns ordinary copper phone lines into high-speed data connections. Infospeed DSL allows you to keep all the functionality of existing telephone features (such as custom calling services) while enjoying a dedicated, high speed connection to the internet. For further information on Infospeed DSL and other Verizon services that are available to internet users, please check the Verizon website: www.Verizon.com.

Quality Service

Verizon has installation and repair garages throughout Niagara County for fast and reliable dispatching for maintenance, installation and repair. In addition, a Sonet network is in place in Niagara County, designed as a fail-safe, back up fiber optic environment that prevents loss of high-volume data while improving the quality of the transmission.

Customized Special Services

Verizon employs systems specialists in WNY to provide personal, customized service for its large business customers.

CABLE TELEVISION



Niagara County residents enjoy high quality cable television service provided by Time Warner Cable, the nation's second largest cable television operator. Time Warner Cable owns and manages cable systems passing approximately 26 million homes in 33 states. Leveraging its leadership in innovation and quality customer care, Time Warner Cable delivers advanced products and services such as video-on-demand, high-definition television (HDTV), digital video recorders, high-speed data and Digital Phone. For more information, please visit www.timewarnercable.com.

ABUNDANT SUPPLY OF WATER

Unlike many other areas of the country, Niagara County has an abundant supply of fresh water for current and future industrial and domestic use. The Niagara River, with an average flow of 204,000 cubic feet per second, is the source of most of the County's current needs. Another source is the area's bedrock aquifers, where wells produce yields averaging 50 gpm and as high as 2,000 gpm. Niagara Falls area industry is currently using 8 million gallons per day from these wells. A third source is the vast 393 cubic mile volume of Lake Ontario. The lake, which has depths up to 800 feet, is the 8th largest body of fresh water in the Western Hemisphere.

Please consult directly with the utilities regarding rates, services and economic development incentives.



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