



THE BINGHAMTON THEATER ORGAN SOCIETY

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BTOS' NEW FUND RAISING PLAN. COSTS SUPPORTERS NOTHING; BENEFITS CONCERTS!!

The Binghamton Theater Organ Society has been stymied in trying to produce more concerts for you , mostly because we do not have enough income to continue them-----yet !!!.

But we are NOT asking you for more donations although they are always appreciated and help SUBSTANTIALLY to sustain our future!.

We DO have a way of your helping raise some bucks every month by taking advantage of the recent changes in the way citizens can select WHICH company to provide their homes with electricity and gas. This works through our local NYSEG distribution and billing systems but allows savings over NYSEG's plan AND allows BTOS to receive a small gift from each subscriber on a monthly basis !

We have been through a good bit of research and have settled on the AMBIT ENERGY company (Texas based) which has a honest program for our non-profit group. NO matter which companies you are now using, switching to AMBIT will SAVE bucks AND produce monthly income for us while YOU are saving!!

Please visit the AMBIT website with our name on it www.BTOS.joinambit.com , and follow the instructions or, better yet, call one of Board members to hear how it works.

The most important information to have handy when you call would be your most recent gas and electric statements which has the names of your electricity and gas providers. IF you have a CONTRACT with either of them, it would be best to know the DATE your contract ends. If it is THIS month, we may want to act soon to make any changes on our behalf as the change must be done BEFORE the end of the month or you may get automatically renewed and locked in!

AMBIT Energy will save you 7 % of the equivalent NYSEG electric rates for two months, thereafter will guarantee an annual savings of a least 1 % (or will send you a check for the difference). Customers under this plan have been seeing from 7 to 10% depending on usage.

As of today (Dec 9, 2011), the NYSEG basic variable rate is 4.5 cents per kilowatt hour. The AMBIT rate will be less than that! IF you are paying more through any other plan (My NYSEG Solutions plan is 6.299 cents per KWH). US Gas & Electric is 72 cents per Therm. NYSEG's gas rate is 63 Cents per Therm but AMBIT's rate is only 50 cents per Therm.. All rates are variable and AMBIT subscribers will always save not less than 1 %, often much more, and STILL get a gift to BTOS varying around several dollars a month per subscriber! This does not mean your ENTIRE bill will go down that much, but the actual SUPPLY part of your bill WILL! . Delivery, billing, emergency services costs will remain the same as NYSEG handles those bills separately.

There is NO contract or fee charged, just give one months notice if their service in not to your satisfaction. NYSEG doesn't offer the benefits that AMBIT does-- including :

Complimentary three day, two night stays at over twenty five resorts. Complimentary cruises,
Complimentary air miles points and 10 reward points earned for every THERM of gas used each month.

Enroll soon and earn 2,000 bonus points plus a FREE travel voucher, good for a 3-day/2-night stay for two at one of the 25 resorts mentioned above. All donations come to BTOS directly from the AMBIT company, and depend entirely on how much electricity and gas you use. We benefit from dollars you would have to spend anyway and now will spend LESS of! .. AND you can choose GREEN!

We have researched AMBIT carefully and are convinced that AMBIT is a good company , solidly based, .offering a written guarantee, and stressing it's integrity. . AMBIT will send us a monthly check which will start to rebuild our limited coffers enough to bring more regular concerts back in full force fairly quickly.

We look forward to a modest size group of about not less than 125 households to join this fund raising effort. If everyone on our member mailing list participates we will be VASTLY more financially sound, enabling us to bring you MORE Theater Organ sounds annually!! At LESS cost to you for your energy needs!!!!

YOU can ask the following Board Members about this plan or visit the web site with our name on it and sign on directly – find . www.BTOS.joinambit.com

Call: Ernie Pessagno at (607)759-1995, Paul Stapel at (607)773-1495, John Demaree at (607)768-3367 , Chris Argento or Ken Fetterman at (607)785-1025 . Ernie, our recording Secretary, is in charge of this plan with AMBIT and is the MOST knowledgeable about details!

Ambit will pay your first month's bill if you (very) accidentally get disconnected while changing companies. They have yet to have had to keep this promise!

ALL of this can happen because of the relatively new deregulated energy markets throughout the United States. Your electricity and natural gas will continue to be delivered safely and reliably by NYSEG, a company still regulated by the Public Utility Commission. And to whom you call if something about the delivery doesn't work right! **All** companies involved must be regulated, including AMBIT. Our current Transmission and Distribution Utility (NYSEG) , continues to deliver electricity and natural gas to us. NYSEG still responds to service interruptions and continues to maintain the poles, wires and pipelines.

Thanks for considering this simple and VERY important way of raising funds to keep the theater organ alive for all those who have yet to learn it's beauty and usefulness.

Paul F Stapel,

Founding President Emeritus and Member of the Board of Directors

New York State Public Service Commission

YOUR RIGHTS AS AN ENERGY SERVICES COMPANY CONSUMER :

Customers can purchase energy from an Energy Services Company (ESCO) or from a traditional utility. If you choose to purchase energy from an ESCO you are entitled to:

- ▼ A clear description of the services offered by the ESCO.
- ▼ Receive energy delivery and 24 hour emergency services from your utility company.
- ▼ Clear procedures for switching energy suppliers, including information about the enrollment process.
- ▼ Disclosure, in simple and clear language, of the terms and conditions of the agreement between you and the ESCO including:
 - price and all variable charges or fees;
 - length of the agreement;
 - terms for renewal of the agreement;
 - cancellation process and any early termination fees,
 - which are limited by law; and conditions, if any, • under which the ESCO guarantees cost savings.
- ▼ Rescind an agreement with an ESCO within three days of receiving the agreement, if you are a residential customer.
- ▼ A description of how pre-payment agreements work, if offered.
- ▼ Notice from the ESCO, no less than thirty days prior to the contract renewal date, of the renewal terms and the options you have as a customer.
- ▼ A fair and timely complaint resolution process.
- ▼ Provision of any written documents (contracts, marketing materials, and this ESCO Consumer Bill of Rights), in the same language used to enroll you as a customer.

If you are a residential customer you are also entitled to the rights and protections of the Home Energy Fair Practices Act (HEFPA) which requires that all utility customers be treated fairly with regard to application for services, customer billing, and complaint procedures. For more information go to <http://www.dps.state.ny.us/resright.html>.

ESCOs that do not assure these consumer rights could lose their eligibility to provide service in New York. Please report any complaints to the Department of Public Service via :

TELEPHONE 1 (800) 342.3377 (8:30 am – 4:00 pm),

BY MAIL Office of Consumer Services, NYS Department of Public Service, 3 Empire State Plaza, Albany, NY 12223,

ONLINE : <http://www.dps.state.ny.us>.

You can find more information about your energy alternatives by visiting: www.askpsc.com

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