

## KJUMP

KJUMP is the Kansas Joint Utility Management Program. It is a cooperative sponsored by the Kansas Association of School Boards. KJUMP pools all the natural gas needs of the members together and bids for the requirements of the members.

By pooling the total gas requirements together, KJUMP is able to:

- Competitively bid the natural gas requirement of the members
- Purchases natural gas in bulk, many times months before it is needed.
- Select low cost providers
- Provide risk management
- Provide monthly savings over purchasing from local utility direct
- Helps level out swings in the costs of natural gas due to supply and demand.

Barton's natural gas is purchased through KJUMP, and transported over the Kansas Gas Service distribution system. We pay one bill to KJUMP, and then KJUMP pays for the transportation of the natural gas.

Barton has been a member of KJUMP since 2001. Purchasing our natural gas through KJUMP has saved Barton approximately \$144,000 since we started participating in the program.