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## Marlborough's Community Aggregate Program reports significant savings for residents

MARLBOROUGH—The Colonial Power Group, the City's aggregate broker, reported third quarter savings of over \$78,000 for residents who take part in the City of Marlborough's Community Choice Power Supply Program. The City contracted with energy supplier Inspire Energy in August for a \$0.09390 per kWh. for all rate classes and this rate will be in effect until January 2024.

This program is a municipal aggregation that enables local government to combine the purchasing power on behalf of its residents and businesses to provide them with an alternative to National Grid Basic Service (M.G.L. c. 164, § 134).

By leveraging its purchasing power, the City is able to negotiate a lower rate. The City currently has 12,800 customers in its Community Choice Power Supply Program and anticipates a greater savings in the fourth quarter as National Grid's winter rate of \$0.12388 took effect on November 1, 2020. National Grid's basic rate changes twice a year, in May and November.

"The City has an aggregation committee chaired by Council President Michael Ossing that reviews rates and trends and goes out to bid to get the best possible rate for our residents. Although it's pennies on the dollar, it adds up to a significant savings for both residential and commercial customers," said Mayor Arthur Vigeant.

If you would like to take part in the program, please contact Colonial Power at 866-485-5858 x1 and to learn more about the program, visit <http://inspirecleanenergy.com>

For more information, please contact the Mayor's Office at 508-460-3770.

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**CITY OF MARLBOROUGH COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM  
STATUS REPORT Q3 2020**

Prepared December 2020

This report has been prepared by Colonial Power Group with information/data being provided by the Competitive Supplier and National Grid. The purpose of the report is to provide information about the City of Marlborough's Community Choice Power Supply Program, which currently provides competitive power supply to approximately 12,800 customers in the City. The data provided by the Competitive Supplier is not available until three months after the month it is used. For example, power is *Used* in January, *Invoiced* in February, *Paid* in March and *Reported* in April.

PROGRAM RATES			
Term	May 2019 – Nov 2019	Nov 2019 - Aug 2020	Aug 2020 - Jan 2024
Competitive Supplier	Dynegy	Inspire	Inspire
Standard Offering	\$0.09732 / kWh Meet MA Requirements	\$0.09690 / kWh 100% National Wind RECs	\$0.09390 / kWh 100% National Wind RECs
Optional Offering	\$0.09804 / kWh 100% National Wind RECs	N/A	N/A

**COMPARISON TO NATIONAL GRID RATES**

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As of November 2019, the City of Marlborough chose a 100% green product as its standard offering, which supports renewable energy as 100% of the power supply is offset with Renewable Energy Certificates (REC's). Prior to that the standard offering met MA RPS. The City's aggregation savings are directly tied to the margin of savings between the Program's rates and National Grid's corresponding Basic Service rates as well as the level of consumption by participating consumers. Basic Service rates change twice a year or more, depending on utility and rate class. As a result, the aggregation rate may not always be lower than the Basic Service rate. The goal of the aggregation is to deliver savings over the life of the Program against the Basic Service rate. However, such savings and future savings cannot be guaranteed.

