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# THE CITY OF MARLBOROUGH'S COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM CONSUMER NOTIFICATION

May 17, 2023

Dear Marlborough Basic Service Consumer:

The City of Marlborough is pleased to announce that **Inspire Energy** (“Inspire”) has been selected as the supplier for its Community Choice Power Supply Program (“Program”). This Program is a municipal aggregation which enables local government to combine the purchasing power of its residents and businesses to provide them with an alternative to National Grid Basic Service (M.G.L. c. 164, § 134). This Program only affects the supply portion of your monthly bill. It will not affect the delivery portion of your monthly bill. National Grid will continue to deliver your electricity but Marlborough has chosen the supplier for the Program. Inspire will provide electric power supply for all consumers currently on Basic Service in Marlborough. This letter is intended to tell you about this Program for electric power supply. In accordance with state law, it also informs you of your rights and options if you choose not to participate in the Program.

- ✓ **YOU WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY ENROLLED IN THIS PROGRAM UNLESS YOU CHOOSE NOT TO PARTICIPATE AND OPT-OUT.**
- ✓ **YOU MUST RESPOND BY JUNE 21, 2023 IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO BE AUTOMATICALLY ENROLLED.**

**YOU WILL NOT NOTICE ANY CHANGE IN YOUR ELECTRICITY SERVICE.** The only difference you will see is that Inspire will be printed under the “Supply Services” section of your monthly bill. You will continue to receive one bill from National Grid. You will continue to send your payments to National Grid for processing. National Grid will continue to respond to emergencies, read meters and maintain the distribution and transmission lines. Reliability and quality of service will remain the same. Furthermore, you will continue to have all existing consumer rights and protections.

### COMPARATIVE RATES AND TERMS

	<b>Marlborough’s Program* (Supply Services Only)</b>	<b>National Grid Basic Service** (Supply Services Only)</b>
<b>Rate</b>		
Residential	\$0.09390 per kWh	\$0.14115 per kWh
Commercial/Streetlight	\$0.09390 per kWh	\$0.13393 per kWh
Industrial	\$0.09390 per kWh	\$0.12940 per kWh
<b>Renewable Energy Content</b>	100% National Wind Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs)	Meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements
<b>Duration</b>	<b>August 2020 – January 2024</b> <i>[Rates apply to service beginning and ending on the days of the month that your meter is read in your service area.]</i>	<b>May 1, 2023 – October 31, 2023</b> <i>[Residential and Small Commercial rates change every 6 months. Large Commercial and Industrial rates change every 3 months.]</i>
<b>Exit Terms</b>	<b>NO CHARGE</b>	May receive a reconciliation charge or credit <i>[Industrial G-2 &amp; G-3 only]</i>

\*Rate includes Consultant Fee of \$0.001 per kWh to facilitate Marlborough’s Community Choice Power Supply Program.

\*Rate may increase as a result of a change in law that results in a direct, material increase in costs during the term of the contract.

\*\*GreenUp options are available for \$0.012-\$0.038 per kWh in addition to National Grid’s Basic Service rate.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- At present, the aggregation rate is lower than National Grid’s Basic Service rate. The aggregation rate is fixed for 41 months (August 2020 to January 2024) while National Grid’s Basic Service rate changes twice a year, in May and November. As a result, the aggregation rate may not always be lower than National Grid’s Basic Service rate. The goal of the aggregation is to deliver savings over the life of the Program against National Grid’s Basic Service rate. However, **SUCH SAVINGS AND FUTURE SAVINGS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED.**
- There is **NO CHARGE TO OPT-OUT** of the Program and return to National Grid Basic Service.

« SEE BACK FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION »

**IF YOU HAVE BEEN MAILED THIS NOTIFICATION** you do not need to take any action to participate in the Program.

**ALL BASIC SERVICE CONSUMERS** who have been mailed this notification will be AUTOMATICALLY enrolled in the Program and start benefiting from the aggregation rate beginning on the day of the month in July 2023 that your meter is read. This date varies by service area. Your meter reading date is shown on your bill.

**WATCH YOUR NATIONAL GRID BILL FOR FURTHER NOTIFICATION** of the Program.

- Your July 2023 bill will state that you are being switched to Marlborough’s Program.
- Your August 2023 bill will show Marlborough’s supplier and aggregation rate under “Supply Services”.

**BUDGET PLAN OR ELIGIBLE LOW-INCOME RATE CONSUMERS** will continue to receive those benefits from National Grid.

**SOLAR PANEL AND COMMUNITY SOLAR CONSUMERS** will continue to receive net metering or on-bill credits while receiving electricity supply under the Program and the value of these credits will not be altered by participating in the Program.

**ANY APPLICABLE TAXES WILL BE BILLED** as part of the Program’s power supply charge. You will be responsible for identifying and requesting an exemption from the collection of taxes by providing appropriate documentation.

**TAX EXEMPT SMALL BUSINESS CONSUMERS** must send or email a copy of their Energy Exemption Certificate directly to Inspire Energy Holdings, LLC at 923 Haddonfield Road, Suite 300, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002 or [aggregation@helloinspire.com](mailto:aggregation@helloinspire.com) (email) in order to maintain their tax exempt status.

**IF YOU HAVE ALREADY CHOSEN A COMPETITIVE SUPPLIER ON YOUR OWN** you must opt-out of this Program. This will ensure you continue to get your electricity from that Competitive Supplier.

**IF YOU HAVE ALREADY CHOSEN A GREEN POWER SUPPLY OPTION THROUGH NATIONAL GRID** you must opt-out of this Program. This will ensure you continue to get your electricity from that Green Power Supply.

**IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM** you may: 1) Opt-out and continue paying National Grid’s Basic Service rate; or 2) Opt-out and choose your own Competitive Supplier (if one is available to you).

#### **HOW TO OPT-OUT**

- Sign and return the enclosed opt-out card in the postage paid envelope provided; **OR**
- Visit [colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough](http://colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough) and click the opt-out button, then fill out and submit the Opt-Out Form; **OR**
- Call Inspire at (866) 873-9300 and ask to remain on National Grid Basic Service.

**ANY TIME AFTER ENROLLMENT** you can still opt-out with NO CHARGE. It may take a couple of billing cycles before you are back on National Grid Basic Service. If you choose to opt-out after the initial enrollment, you may submit an Opt-Out form at [colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough](http://colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough) **OR** call Inspire at (866) 873-9300 and ask to be placed on National Grid Basic Service.

**FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION** regarding Marlborough’s Program, please visit [colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough](http://colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough) or call us toll-free at (866) 485-5858 ext. 1. To learn more about Inspire, please visit [inspirecleanenergy.com](http://inspirecleanenergy.com).

**TO ACCESS NATIONAL GRID’S BASIC SERVICE RATES** please visit:

- Residential Rates – [nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/resitable.pdf](http://nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/resitable.pdf).
- Commercial Rates – [nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/commtable.pdf](http://nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/commtable.pdf).
- Industrial Rates – [nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/indtable.pdf](http://nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/indtable.pdf).

*Colonial Power Group, Inc. is an energy broker chosen by the City of Marlborough to facilitate the Community Choice Power Supply Program.*



**THE CITY OF MARLBOROUGH'S  
COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM**



**IMPORTANT NOTICE**



**(866) 485-5858 ext. 1**



**TTY (800) 720-3480 / Español (866) 930-9252**



**colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough**

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities directs that we include the following message in all of these different languages. The message states: "Important notice enclosed from City of Marlborough about your electricity service. Translate the notice immediately. Call the number or visit the website, above, for help."

<p><b>SPANISH/ESPAÑOL</b> Incluye notificación importante del <b>City of Marlborough</b> sobre su servicio de electricidad. Traduzca el aviso inmediatamente. Si necesita ayuda, llame al número o visite el sitio web indicado anteriormente.</p>	<p><b>POLISH/POLSKI</b> Załączono ważną informację od <b>City of Marlborough</b> na temat usług energetycznych. Niezłowcznie przetłumacz powiadomienie. Zadzwoń pod numer lub odwiedź powyższą witrynę, aby uzyskać pomoc.</p>
<p><b>PORTUGUESE/PORTUGUÊS</b> Aviso importante incluído da <b>City of Marlborough</b> sobre seu serviço de eletricidade. Traduza o aviso imediatamente. Ligue para o número ou visite o site, acima, para obter ajuda.</p>	<p><b>NEPALI/नेपाली</b> तपाईंको विद्युतीय सेवा बारे <b>City of Marlborough</b> संलग्न गरिएको महत्त्वपूर्ण सूचना। सूचनालाई तुरुन्तै अनुवाद गर्न गर्नुहोस्। मद्दतको लागि माथि भएका नम्बरमा फोन गर्नुहोस् वा वेबसाइटमा जानुहोस्।</p>
<p><b>CHINESE (SIMPLIFIED)/ 中文</b> 随函附上来自 <b>City of Marlborough</b> 有关您供电服务的重要通知。请立即翻译该通知。如需帮助，请依上述信息致电或访问网站。</p>	<p><b>MARATHI/मराठी</b> आपल्या विद्युत सेवेसंबंधी <b>City of Marlborough</b> महत्त्वाची सूचना सलग्न केली आहे. या सूचनेचा अनुवाद त्वरित करावा. मदतीसाठी वरील क्रमांकावर फोन करा किंवा वेबसाइटला/संकेतस्थळाला भेट द्या.</p>
<p><b>CHINESE (TRADITIONAL)/ 中文</b> 隨附 <b>City of Marlborough</b> 有關您電力服務的重要通知。請立即翻譯此通知。若需協助，請撥打電話或瀏覽上方所列網站。</p>	<p><b>YORUBA/YORÙBÁ</b> Àkíyèsí pàtàkì tí a fi sínú rẹ̀ láti ọ̀dọ́ <b>City of Marlborough</b> nípa ìṣẹ̀ iná mọ̀nà mọ̀nà rẹ̀. Túmọ̀ àkíyèsí náà lẹ̀sẹ̀kẹ̀sẹ̀. Pẹ̀ nọ̀n bà náà tàbí kànsì ayélujára, lókè, fún irànlọ̀wọ́.</p>
<p><b>HAITIAN/KREYÒL</b> Ou gen yon notifikasyon enpòtan de <b>City of Marlborough</b> sou sèvis elektrisite ou. Tradwi notifikasyon sa imedyatman. Rele nimewo a oubyen vizite sit entènèt, ki anlè a, si ou bezwen èd.</p>	<p><b>IGBO/NDI IGBO</b> Ọkwa dị mkpa ezitere maka ọrụ latrik gị si n'aka <b>City of Marlborough</b>. Tụgharịa asụsụ ọkwa ahụ ozugbo. Kpọọ nọmba ahụ ma ọ bụ gaa na weebụsایتị ahụ, dị n'elu, maka enyemaka.</p>
<p><b>VIETNAMESE/TIẾNG VIỆT</b> Đính kèm thông báo quan trọng từ <b>City of Marlborough</b> về dịch vụ điện của quý vị. Xin dịch thông báo này ngay. Vui lòng gọi điện hoặc truy cập trang web ở trên để được giúp đỡ.</p>	<p><b>AMHARIC/አማርኛ</b> የኤሌክትሪክ አገልግሎትዎን በተመለከተ የተሰጠ አስፈላጊ ማስታወቂያ ከዚህ ጋር በ <b>City of Marlborough</b> እንደ ዓባሪ ተያይዟል። ማስታወቂያውን በአስቸኳይ ያስተርጉሙት። እገዛ ለማግኘት ከላይ ወደተገለጸው ስልክ ቁጥር ይደውሉ ወይም ድር ጣቢያውን ይጎብኙ።</p>

<p><b>RUSSIAN/РУССКИЙ</b>          Прилагается важное уведомление от <b>City of Marlborough</b> о вашей услуге снабжения электроэнергией. Переведите уведомление безотлагательно. Позвоните по вышеуказанному номеру или зайдите на вышеуказанный вебсайт, чтобы получить помощь.</p>	<p><b>SOMALI/SOOMAALI</b>          Oageysiis muhiim oo ka yimid <b>City of Marlborough</b> kuna saabsan adeegga korontada. Si degdeg ah u turjun ogaysiiska. Wac nambarka ama booqo webseetka, kore, si aad u hesho caawimaad.</p>
<p><b>ARABIC/عربي</b>          مرفق إخطار مهم من <b>City of Marlborough</b> عن خدمة الكهرباء الخاصة بكم. يُرجى ترجمة الإخطار فورًا. اتصل بالرقم أو قم بزيارة الموقع الإلكتروني عبر الإنترنت المذكورة أعلاه طلبًا للمساعدة.</p>	<p><b>JAPANESE/傑怗铂</b>          「電気供給サービスに関する <b>City of Marlborough</b> からの重要なお知らせを同封しております。本通知を速やかに翻訳してください。ご質問は上記の電話番号もしくはウェブサイトをご覧ください。」</p>
<p><b>KHMER/ខ្មែរ</b>          សេចក្តីជូនដំណឹងសំខាន់ដែលភ្ជាប់មកជាមួយមកពីទីក្រុង <b>City of Marlborough</b> គឺនិយាយអំពីសេវាកម្មភ្លើងរបស់អ្នក។ ចូរបកប្រែសេចក្តីជូនដំណឹងនេះភ្លាមៗ។ សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅលេខ ឬចូលទៅកាន់គេហទំព័រខាងលើ ដើម្បីសុំជំនួយ។</p>	<p><b>GUJARATI/ગુજરાતી</b>          તમારી વીજળી સેવા અંગે <b>City of Marlborough</b> તરફથી મહત્વપૂર્ણ સૂચના બંધિલ છે. સૂચનાનું તુરંત જ ભાષાંતર કરો. મદદ માટે ઉપરના નંબર પર કોલ કરો અથવા વેબસાઇટની મુલાકાત લો.</p>
<p><b>FRENCH/FRANÇAIS</b>          Avis important de <b>City of Marlborough</b> concernant votre service d'électricité. Traduisez immédiatement l'avis. Appelez le numéro ou visitez le Site Web, ci-dessus, si vous avez besoin d'aide.</p>	<p><b>SWAHILI/KISWAHILI</b>          Notisi muhimu ambayo imeambatishwa kutoka <b>City of Marlborough</b> kuhusu huduma yako ya umeme. Itafsiri notisi mara moja. Piga simu kwa nambari au tembelea tovuti iliyo hapo juu ili upate usaidizi.</p>
<p><b>ITALIAN/ITALIANO</b>          Comunicazione importante in allegato della <b>City of Marlborough</b> riguardante il suo servizio di fornitura di energia elettrica. Tradurre il comunicato immediatamente. Qualora occorra assistenza, chiami il numero o visiti il sito Internet sopra indicati.</p>	<p><b>HINDI/हिंदी</b>          आपकी बिजली सेवा के बारे में <b>City of Marlborough</b> से महत्वपूर्ण सूचना संलग्न है। सूचना का तुरंत अनुवाद करे। सहायता के लिए ऊपर के नंबर पर कॉल करें या वेबसाइट पर जाएं।</p>
<p><b>KOREAN/한국어</b>          귀하의 전기 서비스와 관련하여 <b>City of Marlborough</b> 에서 온 중요한 통지 사항이 동봉되어 있습니다. 통지 사항을 즉시 번역하시기 바랍니다. 도움이 필요할 경우 위의 전화번호로 연락하거나 웹사이트를 방문해 주십시오.</p>	<p><b>THAI/ไทย</b>          ประกาศสำคัญที่แนบมาจาก <b>City of Marlborough</b> เกี่ยวกับบริการไฟฟ้าของคุณ กรุณาแปลประกาศทันที โทรไปยังหมายเลขหรือไปที่เว็บไซต์ด้านบนเพื่อขอความช่วยเหลือ</p>
<p><b>GREEK/ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ</b>          Εσωκλείεται σημαντική ειδοποίηση από την <b>City of Marlborough</b> που αφορά τον πάροχο ηλεκτρικής ενέργειας σας. Μεταφράστε την ειδοποίηση άμεσα. Καλέστε τον τηλεφωνικό αριθμό ή επισκεφθείτε την ιστοσελίδα που αναφέρεται παραπάνω, για βοήθεια.</p>	<p><b>LAO/ລາວ</b>          ແຈ້ງການສໍາຄັນທີ່ຕິດຄັດມາຈາກ <b>City of Marlborough</b> ແມ່ນກ່ຽວກັບການບໍລິການໄຟຟ້າຂອງທ່ານ. ແປແຈ້ງການທັນທີ. ໂທຫາໝາຍເລກ ຫຼື ເຂົ້າເບິ່ງເວັບໄຊທ໌ຂ້າງເທິງສໍາລັບຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ.</p>



# MARLBOROUGH COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM OPT-OUT REPLY CARD

If you want to participate in the Marlborough Community Choice Power Supply Program, you do not need to take any action. You will be automatically enrolled.

## Opt-Out Instructions

**If you do not want to participate:**

- 1) Sign and date
- 2) Place in envelope provided
- 3) Drop in the mail

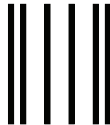
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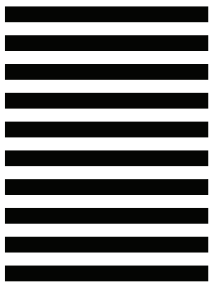
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Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

The card must be signed by the customer of record whose name appears in the address on this card. **The envelope must be postmarked by June 21, 2023 to opt-out of the Program before being automatically enrolled.**



NO POSTAGE  
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IN THE  
UNITED STATES



**BUSINESS REPLY MAIL**  
FIRST-CLASS MAIL      PERMIT NO. 92      CHERRY HILL, NJ

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C/O INSPIRE ENERGY HOLDINGS LLC  
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