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# THE TOWN OF ABINGTON'S COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM CONSUMER NOTIFICATION

January 17, 2024

Dear Abington Basic Service Consumer:

The Town of Abington is pleased to announce that **Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.** ("Constellation") 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 Abington has chosen the supplier for the Program. Constellation will provide electric power supply for all consumers currently on Basic Service in Abington. 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 FEBRUARY 20, 2024 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 Constellation 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>Abington's Program*</b> (Supply Services Only)		<b>National Grid**</b> (Supply Services Only)
	<b>STANDARD</b> (default)	<b>OPTIONAL</b>	<b>BASIC SERVICE</b>
<b>Rate</b>			
Residential	\$0.15181 per kWh	\$0.15340 per kWh	\$0.18213 per kWh
Commercial/Streetlight	\$0.15181 per kWh	\$0.15340 per kWh	\$0.17262 per kWh
Industrial	\$0.15181 per kWh	\$0.15340 per kWh	\$0.14141 per kWh
<b>Renewable Energy Content</b>	Meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements	100% renewable. Includes 41% National Wind RECs.	Meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements
<b>Duration</b>	<b>November 2023 – November 2025</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>November 1, 2023 – July 31, 2024***</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 Abington'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.

\*\*\*Per D.P.U. 23-50-A Order issued September 1, 2023 (see [mass.gov/news/dpu-orders-schedule-changes-to-basic-service-rates](https://www.mass.gov/news/dpu-orders-schedule-changes-to-basic-service-rates)).

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- At present, the Residential and Commercial/Streetlight aggregation rate is lower than National Grid's Basic Service rate. The aggregation rate is fixed for 24 months (November 2023 to November 2025) while National Grid's Basic Service rate changes twice a year, in August and February. 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 March 2024 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 March 2024 bill will state that you are being switched to Abington’s Program.
- Your April 2024 bill will show Abington’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 email or fax a copy of their Energy Exemption Certificate directly to Constellation at [CNETaxForms@constellation.com](mailto:CNETaxForms@constellation.com) or (877) 243-4968 (fax) 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/abington](http://colonialpowergroup.com/abington) and click the opt-out button, then fill out and submit the Opt-Out Form; **OR**
- Call Constellation at (833) 528-0357 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/abington](http://colonialpowergroup.com/abington) **OR** call Constellation at (833) 528-0357 and ask to be placed on National Grid Basic Service.

**TO CHOOSE A PRODUCT WITH 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY** visit [colonialpowergroup.com/abington](http://colonialpowergroup.com/abington) or you may call Constellation at (833) 528-0357 and ask to be enrolled in Abington’s Optional Green Product. Abington’s Optional Green Product provides provides 41% National Wind RECs above the state’s then-current minimum requirement for renewables [62% in 2024]. This product is being offered at \$0.15340 per kWh for 24 months (November 2023 to November 2025).

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

**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 consulting company chosen on a competitive basis by the Town of Abington to facilitate the Community Choice Power Supply Program.*



**THE TOWN OF ABINGTON'S  
COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM**



**IMPORTANT NOTICE**



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



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



**colonialpowergroup.com/abington**

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 Town of Abington 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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</b> na temat usług energetycznych. Niezłownicznie przetłumacz powiadomienie. Zadzwoń pod numer lub odwiedź powyższą witrynę, aby uzyskać pomoc.</p>
<p><b>PORTUGUESE/PORTUGUÊS</b> Aviso importante incluído da <b>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</b> संलग्न गरिएको महत्त्वपूर्ण सूचना। सूचनालाई तुरुन्तै अनुवाद गर्न होस्। महत्त्वको लागि माथि भएका नम्बरमा फोन गर्नु होस् वा वेबसाइटमा जानु होस्।</p>
<p><b>CHINESE (SIMPLIFIED)/ 中文</b> 随函附上来自 <b>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</b> महत्त्वाची सूचना संलग्न 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> 随附 <b>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</b> nípa ìṣẹ̀ iná mọ̀nà mọ̀nà rẹ̀. Túmọ̀ àkíyèsí nàá lèsẹ̀kẹ̀sẹ̀. Pe nọ̀nbà nàá tàbí kànsí ayélujára, lókè, fún irànlọ̀wọ̀.</p>
<p><b>HAITIAN/KREYÒL</b> Ou gen yon notifikasyon enpòtan de <b>Town of Abington</b> sou sèvis elekrisite 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>Town of Abington</b>. Tugharia asusu ọkwa ahụ ozugbo. Kpọọ nọmba ahụ ma ọ bụ gaa na weebụsaijị ahụ, dị n'elu, maka enyemaka.</p>
<p><b>VIETNAMESE/TIẾNG VIỆT</b> Đính kèm thông báo quan trọng từ <b>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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/傑怞铂</b>          「電気供給サービスに関する <b>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</b> គឺនិយាយអំពីសេវាកម្មភ្លើងរបស់អ្នក។ ចូរបកប្រែសេចក្តីជូនដំណឹងនេះភ្លាមៗ។ សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅលេខ ឬចូលទៅកាន់គេហទំព័រខាងលើ ដើម្បីសុំជំនួយ។</p>	<p><b>GUJARATI/ગુજરાતી</b>          તમારી વીજળી સેવા અંગે <b>Town of Abington</b> તરફથી મહત્વપૂર્ણ સૂચના બહિલ 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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</b> เกี่ยวกับการบริการไฟฟ้าของคุณ กรุณาแปลประกาศทันที โทรไปยังหมายเลขหรือไปที่เว็บไซต์ด้านบนเพื่อขอความช่วยเหลือ</p>
<p><b>GREEK/ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ</b>          Εσωκλείεται σημαντική ειδοποίηση από την <b>Town of Abington</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>Town of Abington</b> ແມ່ນກ່ຽວກັບການບໍລິການໄຟຟ້າຂອງທ່ານ. ແບແຈ້ງການທັນທີ. ໂທຫາໝາຍເລກ ຫຼື ເຂົ້າເບິ່ງເວັບໄຊທ໌ຂ້າງເທິງສໍາລັບຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ.</p>



# THE TOWN OF ABINGTON'S COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM

## ----- ELECTRIC SUPPLY PROGRAM SUMMARY STANDARD PRODUCT

You will receive an electric supply product through THE TOWN OF ABINGTON'S COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM. Your electric utility, NATIONAL GRID, will continue to deliver the electricity you use to your home or business.

<b>PRICE</b>	\$0.15181 per kWh (November 2023 – November 2025). This does not include the price that your electric utility will charge you for the delivery component of your electric service.
<b>TERM</b>	Enrollment through November 2025 meter read.
<b>EARLY CANCELLATION FEE</b>	There is no cancellation fee. You may leave this program and/or product at any time with no charge.
<b>AUTOMATIC RENEWAL</b>	You will be automatically enrolled in this product at a new price at the end of the contract term unless you inform the Competitive Supplier or Town otherwise. The new price may be higher or lower than the existing price and the voluntary renewable energy content may change. The Town will notify you no later than 30 days before each automatic renewal to inform you of your supply options.
<b>RENEWABLE ENERGY CONTENT</b>	The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires that all electric supply products include a minimum of 62% renewable energy resources in 2024. This product includes 62% renewable energy resources, an amount that meets the minimum requirement.
<b>RESCISSION PERIOD</b>	If you received this form as part of an automatic enrollment notification, you have until the respond by date indicated to opt-out and not be enrolled. You may leave this program and/or product at any time after you have enrolled with no charge.
<b>COMPETITIVE SUPPLIER INFORMATION</b>	Constellation NewEnergy, DPU license number: CS-015, (833) 528-0357, constellation.com. Constellation NewEnergy is only responsible for the electric generation portion of your bill.
<b>ELECTRIC UTILITY INFORMATION</b>	National Grid will continue to deliver the electricity that you use in your home or business and is responsible for the delivery charges that appear on your monthly bill. If you have questions about the delivery portion of your bill, contact National Grid at (800) 322-3223, or by visiting its website at nationalgrid.com.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities recommends that consumers visit the Energy Switch website to view the broad range of available electric supply products, including your electric utility's basic service price. You can visit the website at [energyswitchma.gov](http://energyswitchma.gov).



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

Opt-Out Code

Service Address:

X

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

If you want to participate in the Abington 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:**

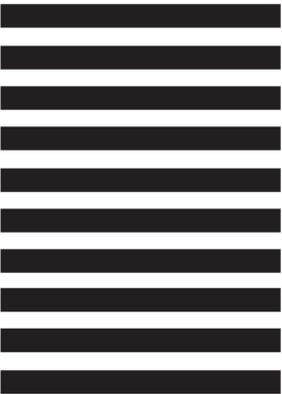
- 1) Sign and date
- 2) Place in envelope provided
- 3) Drop in the mail

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 February 20, 2024 to opt-out of the Program before being automatically enrolled.**

Acct No:



NO POSTAGE  
NECESSARY  
IF MAILED  
IN THE  
UNITED STATES



**BUSINESS REPLY MAIL**  
FIRST-CLASS MAIL PERMIT NO. 11340 HOUSTON, TX

POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY ADDRESSEE

TOWN OF ABINGTON  
C/O CONSTELLATION  
P.O. BOX 4911  
HOUSTON, TX 77210-9547

