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

July 17, 2024

Dear Mendon Basic Service Consumer:

The Town of Mendon is pleased to announce that **Direct Energy Services**, **LLC** ("Direct Energy") 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 Mendon has chosen the supplier for the Program. Direct Energy will provide electric power supply for all consumers currently on Basic Service in Mendon. 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 <u>MUST</u> RESPOND BY AUGUST 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 Direct Energy 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.

		Mendon's Progra	National Grid**		
		(Supply Services O	nly)	(Supply Services Only)	
	STANDARD	OPTIONAL BASIC	OPTIONAL RENEWABLE	BASIC SERVICE	
Rate	(default)				
Residential	\$0.14450 per kWh \$0.14020 per kWh		\$0.15080 per kWh	\$0.16055 per kWh	
Commercial/Streetlight	\$0.14450 per kWh	\$0.14020 per kWh	\$0.15080 per kWh	\$0.14823 per kWh \$0.12262 per kWh Meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements	
Industrial	\$0.14450 per kWh	\$0.14020 per kWh	\$0.15080 per kWh		
Renewable Energy Content (see insert for required & voluntary percentages by year)	10% MA Class I RECs above minimum state requirements	Meets MA renewable energy requirements	25% MA Class I RECs above minimum state requirements		
Duration	September 2024 – September 2026 [Rates apply to service beginning and ending on the days of the month that your meter is read in your service area.]			August 1, 2024 – January 31, 2025 [Residential and Sm Comm rates change every 6 months. Lg Comm and Industrial rates change every 3 months.]	
Exit Terms		NO CHARGE	May receive a reconciliation charge or credit [Industrial G-2 & G-3 only]		

COMPARATIVE RATES AND TERMS

*Rate includes Consultant Fee of \$0.001 per kWh to facilitate Mendon'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 Program launch, the Residential and Commercial/Streetlight aggregation rate is lower than National Grid's Basic Service rate. The aggregation rate is fixed for 24 months (September 2024 to September 2026) 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.

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 September 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 September 2024 bill will state that you are being switched to Mendon's Program.
- Your October 2024 bill will show Mendon'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 <u>must</u> send, email or fax a copy of their Energy Exemption Certificate directly to Direct Energy Attn: USN Tax Exemption at P.O. Box 180, Tulsa, OK 74101-0180 or <u>usn.taxexemption@directenergy.com</u> (email) or (800) 504-7428 (fax) in order to maintain their tax exempt status.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY CHOSEN A COMPETITIVE SUPPLIER ON YOUR OWN you <u>must</u> 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 <u>must</u> 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 <u>colonialpowergroup.com/mendon</u> and click the opt-out button, then fill out and submit the Opt-Out Form; **OR**
- Call Direct Energy at (866) 968-8065 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 <u>colonialpowergroup.com/mendon</u> **OR** call Direct Energy at (866) 968-8065 and ask to be placed on National Grid Basic Service.

TO CHOOSE A BASIC PRODUCT OR A PRODUCT WITH A HIGHER PERCENTAGE OF RENEWABLE ENERGY visit <u>colonialpowergroup.com/mendon</u> or you may call Direct Energy at (866) 968-8065 and ask to be enrolled in one of the following products:

- <u>Mendon's Optional Basic Product</u> meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements. This product is being offered at \$0.14020 per kWh for 24 months (September 2024 to September 2026).
- Mendon's Optional Renewable Product provides 25% MA Class I Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) above the state's then-current requirement for these renewables [24% in 2024; 27% in 2025; 30% in 2026]. This product is being offered at \$0.15080 per kWh for 24 months (September 2024 to September 2026).

FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION regarding Mendon's Program, please visit <u>colonialpowergroup.com/mendon</u> or call us toll-free at (866) 485-5858 ext. 1. To learn more about Direct Energy, please visit <u>directenergy.com/aggregations</u>.

TO ACCESS NATIONAL GRID'S BASIC SERVICE RATES please visit:

- Residential Rates <u>nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/resitable.pdf</u>.
- Commercial Rates <u>nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/commtable.pdf</u>.
- Industrial Rates <u>nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/indtable.pdf</u>.

Colonial Power Group, Inc. is an energy consulting company chosen on a competitive basis by the Town of Mendon to facilitate the Community Choice Power Supply Program.



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 Mendon about your electricity service. Translate the notice immediately. Call the number or visit the website, above, for help."

SPANISH/ESPAÑOL	POLISH/POLSKI		
Incluye notificación importante del Town of Mendon sobre	Załączono ważną informację od Town of Mendon na temat		
su servicio de electricidad. Traduzca el aviso	usług energetycznych. Niezłowcznie przetłumacz		
inmediatamente. Si necesita ayuda, llame al número o visite	powiadomienie. Zadzwoń pod numer lub odwiedź powyższą		
el sitio web indicado anteriormente.	witrynę, aby uzyskać pomoc.		
PORTUGUESE/PORTUGUÊS	NEPALI /नेपाली		
Aviso importante incluído da Town of Mendon sobre seu	तपाईंको विद्युतीय सेवा बारे Town of Mendon संलग्न		
serviço de eletricidade. Traduza o aviso imediatamente.	गरिएको महत्त्वपूर्ण सूचना। सूचनालाई तुरुन्तै अनुवादन		
Ligue para o número ou visite o site, acima, para obter	गर्नुहोस्। मद्दतको लागि माथि भएका नम्बरमा फोन गर्नुहोस्		
ajuda.	वा वेबसाइटमा जानुहोस्।		
CHINESE (SIMPLIFIED)/ 中文 随函附上来自 Town of Mendon 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。	MARATHI/मराठी आपल्या विद्युत सेवेसंबंधी Town of Mendon महत्त्वाची सूचना सलंग्न केली आहे. या सुचनेचा अनुवाद त्वरित करावा. मदतीसाठी वरील क्रमांकावर फोन करा किंवा वेबसाइटला /संकेतस्थळाला भेट द्या.		
CHINESE (TRADITIONAL)/ 中文	YORUBA/YORÙBÁ		
隨附 Town of Mendon 有關您電力服務的重要通知。請	Àkíyèsí pàtàkì tí a fi sínú rè láti òdó Town of Mendon nípa		
立即翻譯此通知。若需協助,請撥打電話或瀏覽上方所	isé iná mònàmóná rẹ. Túmò àkíyèsí náà lésèkesè. Pe nónbà		
列網站。	náà tàbí kànsí ayélujára, lókè, fún ìrànlówó.		
HAITIAN/KREYÒL	IGBO/NDI IGBO		
Ou gen yon notifikasyon enpòtan de Town of Mendon sou	Qkwa dị mkpa ezitere maka ọrụ latrik gị si n'aka Town		
sèvis elektrisite ou. Tradwi notifikasyon sa imedyatman.	of Mendon. Tụgharia asụsụ ọkwa ahụ ozugbo. Kpọọ		
Rele nimewo a oubyen vizite sit entènèt, ki anlè a, si ou	nọmba ahụ ma ọ bụ gaa na weebụsaiti ahụ, dị n'elu,		
bezwen èd.	maka enyemaka.		
VIETNAMESE/TIẾNG VIỆT	AMHARIC/አማርኛ		
Đính kèm thông báo quan trọng từ Town of Mendon về	የኤሌክትሪክ አንልግሎትዎን በተሙለከተ የተሰጠ አስፈላጊ		
dịch vụ điện của quý vị. Xin dịch thông báo này ngay. Vui	ማስታወቂያ ከዚህ <i>ጋ</i> ር በ Town of Mendon እንደ ዓባሪ ተያይዟል።		
lòng gọi điện hoặc truy cập trang web ở trên để được giúp	ማስታወቂያውን በአስቸኳይ ያስተርንሙት። እንዛ ለማግኘት ከላይ		
đỡ.	ወደተንለጸው ስልክ ቁጥር ይደውሉ ወይም ድር ጣቢያውን ይጎብኙ።		

RUSSIAN/РУССКИЙ Прилагается важное уведомление от Town of Mendon о вашей услуге снабжения электроэнергией. Переведите уведомление безотлагательно. Позвоните по вышеуказанному номеру или зайдите на вышеуказанный вебсайт, чтобы получить помощь.	SOMALI/SOOMAALI Oageysiis muhiim oo ka yimid Town of Mendon kuna saabsan adeegga korontada. Si degdeg ah u turjun ogaysiiska. Wac nambarka ama booqo webseetka, kore, si aad u hesho caawimaad.		
عربى/ARABIC مرفق إخطار مهم من Town of Mendon عن خدمة الكهرباء الخاصة بكم. يُرجى ترجمة الإخطار فورًا. اتصل بالرقم أو قم بزيارة الموقع الإلكتروني عبر الإنترنت المذكورة أعلاه طلبًا للمساعدة.	JAPANESE/ 傑劤铂 「電気供給サービスに関する Town of Mendon 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 はウエブサイトをご覧ください。」		
KHMER/រុ ^{ម្} មែរ សេចក្តីដូនដំណឹងសំខាន់ដែលភ្ជាប់មកជាមួយមកពីទីក្រុង Town of Mendon គឺនិយាយអំពីសេវាកម្មភ្លើងរបស់អ្នក។ ចូរបកប្រែសេចក្តីដូនដំណឹងនេះភ្លាមៗ។ សូមទូរស័ព្ទ ទៅលេខ ឬចូលទៅកាន់គេហទំព័រខាងលើ ដើម្បីសុំជំនួយ។	GUJARATI/ગુજરાતી તમારી વીજળી સેવા અંગે Town of Mendon તરફથી મહત્વપૂર્ણ સૂચના બીડેલ છે. સૂચનાનું તુરંત જ ભાષાંતર કરો. મદદ માટે ઉપરના નંબર પર કોલ કરો અથવા વેબસાઇટની મુલાકાત લો.		
FRENCH/FRANÇAIS Avis important de Town of Mendon 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.	SWAHILI/KISWAHILI Notisi muhimu ambayo imeambatishwa kutoka Town of Mendon kuhusu huduma yako ya umeme. Itafsiri notisi mara moja. Piga simu kwa nambari au tembelea tovuti iliyo hapo juu ili upate usaidizi.		
ITALIAN/ITALIANO Comunicazione importante in allegato della Town of Mendon 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.	HINDI /हिदी आपकी बिजली सेवा के बारे में Town of Mendon से महत्वपूर्ण सूचना संलग्न है। सूचना का तुरंत अनुवाद करे। सहायता के लिए ऊपर के नंबर पर कॉल करें या वेबसाइट पर जाएं।		
KOREAN/한국어 귀하의 전기 서비스와 관련하여 Town of Mendon 에서 온 중요한 통지 사항이 동봉되어 있습니다.통지 사항을 즉시 번역하시기 바랍니다. 도움이 필요할 경우 위의 전화번호로 연락하거나 웹사이트를 방문해 주십시오.	THAI/ไทย ประกาศสำคัญที่แนบมาจาก Town of Mendon เกี่ยวกับบริการไฟฟ้าของคุณ กรุณาแปลประกาศทันที โทรไปยังหมายเลขหรือไปที่เว็บไซต์ด้านบนเพื่อขอความช่วย เหลือ		
GREEK/ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΆ Εσωκλείεται σημαντική ειδοποίηση από την Town of Mendon που αφορά τον πάροχο ηλεκτρικής ενέργειας σας. Μεταφράστε την ειδοποίηση άμεσα. Καλέστε τον τηλεφωνικό αριθμό ή επισκεφθείτε την ιστοσελίδα που αναφέρεται παραπάνω, για βοήθεια.	LAO/ລາວ ແຈ້ງການສຳຄັນທີ່ຕິດຄັດມາຈາກ Town of Mendon ແມ່ນກ່ຽວກັບການບໍລິການໄຟຟ້າຂອງທ່ານ. ແປແຈ້ງການທັນທີ. ໂທຫາໝາຍເລກ ຫຼື ເຂົ້າເບິ່ງເວັຍໄຊທ໌ຂ້າງເທິງສຳລັບຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ.		



THE TOWN OF MENDON'S COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM

ELECTRIC SUPPLY PROGRAM SUMMARY STANDARD PRODUCT

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

PRICE	\$0.14450 per kWh. This does not include the price that your electric utility will charge you for the delivery component of your electric service.		
TERM	Enrollment through September 2026 meter read.		
EARLY CANCELLATION FEE	There is no cancellation fee. You may leave this program and/or product at any time with no charge.		
AUTOMATIC RENEWAL	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.		
RENEWABLE ENERGY CONTENT	The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires that all electric supply products include a minimum of 62% renewable energy resources in 2024. This product includes 72% renewable energy resources, an amount that exceeds the minimum requirement.		
RESCISSION PERIOD	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.		
COMPETITIVE SUPPLIER INFORMATION	Direct Energy Services, DPU license number: CS-047, (866) 968-8065, business.directenergy.com. Direct Energy Services is only responsible for the electric generation portion of your bill.		
ELECTRIC UTILITY INFORMATION	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.		
-	ment of Public Utilities recommends that consumers visit the Energy Switch website available electric supply products, including your electric utility's basic service price.		

You can visit the website at energyswitchma.gov.

RENEWABLE ENERGY CONTENT – Required and Voluntary Percentages by Year

Community Choice Power Supply		Year	Required by State*		Voluntary**		тота
			MA Class I	Other	MA Class I	Other	TOTAL
u		2024	24%	38%	10%		72%
	STANDARD (default)	2025	27%	36%	10%		73%
	(uerault)	2026	30%	39%	10%		79%
ende	OPTIONAL BASIC	2024	24%	38%			62%
Ę		2025	27%	36%			63%
Town of Mendon		2026	30%	39%			69%
	OPTIONAL RENEWABLE	2024	24%	38%	25%		87%
		2025	27%	36%	25%		88%
		2026	30%	39%	25%		94%
National Grid BASIC SERVICE		2024	24%	38%			62%
		2025	27%	36%			63%
		2026	30%	39%			69%
*Required by State – Mandatory minimum percentage of renewable energy resources required by MA law.						v.	

**Voluntary – Additional renewable energy that exceeds the minimum required by the state in the specified year.

For additional detail on MA renewable energy requirements, please visit <u>mass.gov/info-details/program-summaries</u>.



MENDON COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM OPT-OUT REPLY CARD

Service Address:

If you want to participate in the Mendon 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 August 20, 2024 to opt-out of the Program before being automatically enrolled.

Account No:



BUSINESS REPLY MAIL FIRST-CLASS MAIL PERMIT NO. 1482 HOUSTON, TX

POSTAGE WILL BE PAID BY ADDRESSEE

TOWN OF MENDON C/O DIRECT ENERGY PO BOX 180 TULSA OK 74101-0180