## \*\*\*\*\*\*PUBLIC NOTICE\*\*\*\*\*

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



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"). Direct Energy will provide electric power supply for all consumers currently on Basic Service in Mendon. This notice 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 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.

#### **COMPARATIVE RATES AND TERMS**

		National Grid**			
		(Supply Services O	(Supply Services Only)		
200	STANDARD	OPTIONAL BASIC	OPTIONAL RENEWABLE	BASIC SERVICE	
Rate	(default)	10.5			
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	
Industrial	\$0.14450 per kWh	\$0.14020 per kWh	\$0.15080 per kWh	\$0.12262 per kWh	
Renewable Energy Content (see below 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	Meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements	
Duration	[Rate	tember 2024 – Septer es apply to service beg on the days of the mo ter is read in your serv	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]		

<sup>\*</sup>Rate includes Consultant Fee of \$0.001 per kWh to facilitate Mendon's Community Choice Power Supply Program.

**IF YOU ARE A BASIC SERVICE CONSUMER WHO HAS BEEN MAILED A NOTIFICATION** you do not need to take any action to participate. You will be AUTOMATICALLY enrolled 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.

<sup>\*</sup>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.

<sup>\*\*</sup>GreenUp options are available for \$0.022-\$0.038 per kWh in addition to National Grid's Basic Service rate.

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

- Mendon's Optional Basic Product 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).

**IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO PARTICIPATE** you must OPT-OUT by signing and returning the Opt-Out Reply Card included with the mailed notification **OR** visit <u>colonialpowergroup.com/mendon</u>, click the OPT-OUT button and follow the instructions specified **OR** call Direct Energy at (866) 968-8065.

**IF YOU WISH TO JOIN THIS PROGRAM** you may OPT-IN at <u>colonialpowergroup.com/mendon</u> **OR** call Direct Energy at (866) 968-8065 and ask to be enrolled. If you are currently contracted with your own competitive supplier, you should confirm with them that you will not incur any early termination fees or penalties for leaving their supply.

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

- Residential Rates nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/resitable.pdf.
- 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>

Basic Service rates change twice a year or more, depending on 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 National Grid Basic Service. However, such savings and future savings cannot be guaranteed.

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. For more detailed information, call us toll-free at (866) 485-5858 ext. 1.

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### RENEWABLE ENERGY CONTENT – Required and Voluntary Percentages by Year

Community Choice Power Supply		Year	Required by State*		Voluntary**		TOTAL
			MA Class I	Other	MA Class I	Other	TOTAL
Town of Mendon	STANDARD (default)	2024	24%	38%	10%		72%
		2025	27%	36%	10%		73%
		2026	30%	39%	10%		79%
	OPTIONAL BASIC	2024	24%	38%		70	62%
		2025	27%	36%		/ E~	63%
		2026	30%	39%		70mm	69%
	OPTIONAL RENEWABLE	2024	24%	38%	25%	60 m /	87%
		2025	27%	36%	25%		88%
		2026	30%	39%	25%	N. SE	94%
National Grid BASIC SERVICE		2024	24%	38%			62%
		2025	27%	36%			63%
		2026	30%	39%			69%

<sup>\*</sup>Required by State – Mandatory minimum percentage of renewable energy resources required by MA law.

<sup>\*\*</sup>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 <a href="mailto:mass.gov/info-details/program-summaries">mass.gov/info-details/program-summaries</a>.