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#### RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATORS

Please print or type all required information. Identify all attachments with an exhibit label and title (Example: Exhibit A-4 Opt-Out Form). All attachments should bear the legal name of the Applicant and should be included on the electronic copy provided. Applicants should file completed applications and all related correspondence with: Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Docketing Division, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43215-3793.

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#### A. RENEWAL INFORMATION

A-1	Applicant's legal name, address, telephone number, PUCO certificate number, and
	web site address

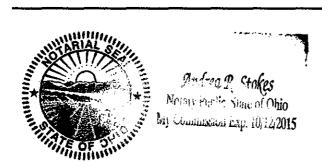
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- A-2 Exhibit A-2 "Authorizing Ordinance" provide a copy of the ordinance or resolution authorizing the formation of a governmental aggregation program adopted pursuant to Section 4928.20(A) of the Revised Code.
- Exhibit A-3 "Operation and Governance Plan" provide a copy of the applicant's A-3 current plan for operation and governance of its aggregation program adopted pursuant to Section 4928.20(C) of the Revised Code. The Operation and Governance Plan explained in Exhibit A-3 should include:
  - Terms and conditions of enrollment including:
    - Rates
    - Charges
    - Switching fees, if any
  - Policies associated with customers moving into/out of aggregation area

  - Billing procedures
  - Procedures for handling complaints and disputes including the toll-free telephone number and address for customer contacts

A-4 Exhibit A-4 Automatic Aggregation Disclosure - "Opt-out Form" provide a copy of the disclosures/"opt-out" required by Section 4928.20(D) of the Revised Code, if its aggregation program provides for automatic aggregation in accordance with Section 4928.20(A) of the Revised Code. If the opt-out is in draft form, docket the final opt-out (including beginning and ending dates of the 21-day -out period and the selected CRES supplier) with the Commission within 10 days prior to providing or offering service. See #12 in the attached Affidavit.

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Affiant, being duly sworn/affirmed according to/law, deposes and says that:

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That he/she is authorized to and does make this affidavit for said Applicant,

- 1. The Applicant herein, attests under penalty of false statement that all statements made in the application for certification renewal are true and complete and that it will amend its application while the application is pending if any substantial changes occur regarding the information provided in the application.
- 2. The Applicant herein, attests it will timely file an annual report with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio of its intrastate gross receipts, gross earnings, and sales of kilowatt-hours of electricity pursuant to Division (A) of Section 4905.10, Division (A) of Section 4911.18, and Division (F) of Section 4928.06 of the Revised Code.
- 3. The Applicant herein, attests that it will timely pay any assessments made pursuant to Sections 4905.10, 4911.18, or Division F of Section 4928.06 of the Revised Code.
- 4. The Applicant herein, attests that it will comply with all Public Utilities Commission of Ohio rules or orders as adopted pursuant to Chapter 4928 of the Revised Code.
- 5. The Applicant herein, attests that it will cooperate fully with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, and its Staff on any utility matter including the investigation of any consumer complaint regarding any service offered or provided by the Applicant.
- 6. The Applicant herein, attests that it will fully comply with Section 4928.09 of the Revised Code regarding consent to the jurisdiction of Ohio Courts and the service of process.
- 7. The Applicant herein, attests that it will comply with all state and/or federal rules and regulations concerning consumer protection, the environment, and advertising/promotions.
- 8. The Applicant herein, attests that it will use its best efforts to verify that any entity with whom it has a contractual relationship to purchase power is in compliance with all applicable licensing requirements of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.
- 9. The Applicant herein, attests that it will cooperate fully with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, the electric distribution companies, the regional transmission entities, and other electric suppliers in the event of an emergency condition that may jeopardize the safety and reliability of the electric service in accordance with the emergency plans and other procedures as may be determined appropriate by the Commission.
- 10. If applicable to the service(s) the Applicant will provide, the Applicant herein, attests that it will adhere to the reliability standards of (1) the North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC), (2) the appropriate regional reliability council(s), and (3) the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. (Only applicable if pertains to the services the Applicant is offering)

- 11. The Applicant herein, attests that it will inform the Commission of any material change to the information supplied in the renewal application within 30 days of such material change, including any change in contact person for regulatory purposes or contact person for Staff use in investigating customer complaints.
- 12. The Applicant herein, attests that if the opt-out is in draft form, the Applicant will docket the final optout (including beginning and ending dates of the 21-day -out period and the selected CRES supplier) with the Commission within 10 days prior to providing or offering service.

That the facts above set forth are true and correct to the best of his/her knowledge, information, and belief and that he/she expects said Applicant to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 12th day of Menley, 2015

gnature of official administering oath

My commission expires on 10-12-12015

Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Exp. 10/12/2015

#### EXHIBIT A-2

Provide a copy of the authorizing ordinance. Question:

The ordinance authorizing Holland to operate an opt-out government aggregation was approved in 2000. It is attached hereto. Answer:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 36-2002

ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOLLAND ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that a legislative authority of a municipal corporation may aggregate the electric leads within the Village and requires it to adopt a plan to govern the operation of the aggregation program; and

WHEREAS, Section 4928.20 of the Chic Revised Code requires that any Village electric aggregation may occur only after the legislative authority of a municipal corporation has offered a plan of operation and governance to the public for its review, has held at least two public hearings concerning the plan, and has formally adopted the plan as the aggregation program's plan of operation and governance; and

WHEREAS, a proposed plan was offered to the public for review by this Council and this Council held public hearings concerning the plan on December 5, 2000 and December 19, 2000, notice of each public hearing having been printed in a newspaper of general circulation forough out the County for two consecutive weeks prior to the hearings; and

WHEREAS, this Council adopted a Plan of Operation and Governmen for the Village of Holland Aggregation Program by Ordinance dated December 19, 2000; and

WHEREAS, this Council amended the Plan of Operation and Governance for the Village of Holland Aggregation Program by Ordinance dated September 12, 2001 to harmonize the Plan with the Power Supply Agreement this Board signed with WPS Energy Services, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, additional amendment of the Plan of Operation and Governance of the Village of Holland Aggregation Program is appropriate and necessary to conform the Plan further with the Master Agreement between this Board and First Energy Services, Inc., which this Council has executed to secure electric rate savings for its commercial electric consumers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BRIT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF HOLLAND, LUCAS COUNTY, OHIO, THAT:

Section 1. The Council hereby amends the Plan of Operation and Governance of the Village of Holland Aggregation Program previously approved on December 19, 2000 and amended on September 18, 2001, to conform with the Master Agreement with Flux Energy Services, Inc., by amending same and adding thereto the lenguage of new Section XVI set forth in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code of Ohio.

## ORDINANCE NO. 36-2002

Section 3. This ordinance is declared an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the health, safety, and welfare of the Village and its residents. The reason for the emergency is that prompt passage is necessary in order to comply with Ohio law and to ensure customer choice in electric supply.
Vote on emergency measure: 5 Ayes Neys D Abstrain
Vote on passage: S Ayes O Nays Abstain
Present this 12th day of August 2002.
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Les Irons, President of Council
Attest:
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Approved: CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE ORIGINAL
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Mile Yundar, Mayor

## EXHUBIT A-3

Question: Provide a copy of the operation and government plan.

Answer: It is attached hereto.

# VILLAGE OF HOLLAND, OHIO

# **ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGAM**

# **AMENDED**

# PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE

As A Member Of The

Northwest Ohio Aggregation Coalition



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#### INTRODUCTION

The Village of Helland, Ohio, together with the participating communities of the Northwest Ohio Aggregation Coalition ("NOAC") developed this Electric Aggregation Program Amended Plan of Operation and Governance ("Amended Plan of Operation") in accordance with the governmental aggregation provisions of Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code. The Amended Plan of Operation provides, in detail, the services provided under the aggregate, customer rights, terms and conditions of service, pass setting, and aggregate structure and formation.

The Holland aggregation program is designed to reduce the amount consumers pay for electric energy. The Village will not buy or result the power for the participants of the program. Instead, Holland will serve us the purchasing agent for the program and will negotiate a contract with a competitive retail electric supplier to provide firm, all-requirements service to the members of its aggregation program. The contract will be for fixed price service to each class of customers at a rate that is lower than the standard offer from Toledo Edison. Customer rights and terms of service are discussed in detail in this Amended Pian of Operation and Governance.

Holland's Amended Plan of Operation is in adherence with the requirements of Amended Substitute Setute Bill 3 of 2000 as provided in Revised Code Section 4923.20 and the Rules for Competitive and Noncompetitive Retail Electric Service Standards Regarding Governmental Aggregation. The Amended Bill opened Chio's retail electric market on January 1, 2001, and amborized the combining of multiple electric loads within and by a municipality, an unincorporated township or the unincorporated areas of the county by a board of county commissioners for the purpose of purchasing electric generation and related services in Ohio's competitive retail market. The legislation also provided the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") with anthority to promulgate and adopt rules regarding governmental aggregation in Ohio. The Village of Holland's Amended Plan of Operation complies with the requirements of the governmental aggregation rules as issued by the PUCO on August 9, 2001.

A majority of Holland's residents approved a ballot issue in November of 2000 authorizing the Village to form an aggregation whereby electric consumers would be automatically included in a large buying group unless, subject to prior notice, they followed a stated procedure to opt-out. It is Holland's intent to represent its electric consumers in Ohio's emerging competitive retail electric market. Acting as a purchasing agent for its residents and small businesses, Holland hereby joins with other participating communities of NOAC and automatically aggregates all eligible electric consumers that do not otherwise opt-out of the aggregate. Holland, as a member of NOAC, has negotiated the best rates for electric generation and related services for electric consumers within the Village. Any electric consumer in Holland has the ability to decline service, opt-out of the eggregate, and choose the incumbent supplier or any other alternative electric amplier. The State of Ohio allows the Director of the Ohio Department of Development to aggregate electric consumers that participate in the Percentings of Income Payment Plan ("PIPP") throughout Ohio. Accordingly, customers on PIPP at the time of the Opt-out will not participate in Holland's electric aggregation program.

#### L. GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATION FORMATION PROCESS

#### 1.1 Statutory Requirements.

Holland, as part of NOAC, shall develop and institute an opt-out aggregation. The process of governmental aggregation is set out in Ohio Revised Code Section 4928.20. The section defines two different types of aggregation that may be enacted by a governmental cutity -- opt-in aggregation and opt-out aggregation. Opt-in aggregation . can occur only with the prior consent of each electric consumer. That is, the consumer must give its consent to be included in the governmental aggregation program, prior to inclusion. Under the opt-out engregation provisions, all electric consumers within the thunicipality or township may be automatically included in the governmental aggregation program. However, opt-out aggregation may only occur after the majority of voters within a municipality, an unincorporated township, or other unincorporated areas of the county authorize the formation of the governmental aggregation. The governmental entity must edopt an ordinance or a resolution placing the issue on the bellot and voters must decide the issue in a general or special election. After obtaining majority voter approval, but prior to inclusion in the aggregate, affected customers must be given notice contiling them to affirmatively elect not to be part of the governmental aggregation program. Halland obtained the support of the majority of its voters and shall automatically include electric consumers within the Village's corporate limits in its aggregate, unless such consumers follow a prescribed procedure for opting out Holland's opt-out notice, procedure and period are discussed in Section VIII below.

#### 1.2 PUCO Certification

In addition to requiring the support of the majority of voscs within a manicipality, an unincorporated township, or the other unincorporated areas of the county, Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code requires PUCO extification of governmental aggregation programs. In order to obtain PUCO cartification, governmental emitties are required to complete and file a certification application. To maintain their cartified status, governmental aggregators must comply with the PUCO's Competitive and Noncompetitive Retail Electric Service Standards Regarding Governmental Aggregator. Holland filed for, and has obtained, cartification as a Governmental Aggregator. The Village, as a member of NOAC, developed this Amended Plan of Operation and Government in compliance with the PUCO's rules regarding governmental aggregation. With the assistance of its electric generation service supplier, Holland shall comply with the PUCO's governmental aggregation rules.

#### II. RETAIL ELECTRIC GENERATION SERVICE PROVIDER.

The Village has selected WPS Energy Services, Inc. ("WPS") as its electric generation service supplier. Holland shall serve as the purchasing agent for the Village's aggregation program and has delegated to WPS the responsibility implementing the Holland aggregation program. WPS is certified as a Competitive Retail Electric Service ("CRES") Provider by the PUCO; is eligible to receive Mericet Support Generation ("MSG") and Non-MSG from PiretEnergy as a signatory to the Stipulation and the

Supplemental Agreement arising from the First-nergy Transition Plan Case; is a licensed Federal Power Marketer with the PERC; has a Service Agreement for Network Integration Transmission Service under First-nergy's Open Access Transmission Tariff; has a Service Agreement under First-nergy's Market-based Rate Tariff; has the corporate structure to sell both wholesale and retail from power; has demonstrated that its Electronic Data Interchange ("EDP") computer network is fully functional and capable of handling the requirements of the retail electric customers in Holland; has the marketing ability to reach the retail electric customers in Holland; has the marketing ability to reach the retail electric customers in the Village and the ability to educate them on the Village's aggregation program; has a fully staffed and trained call center capable of handling customer calls related to the Village's program; has establish a tall-free number as required by the PUCO for customer service and complaints related to the Village's aggregation program; and shall assist the Village in fulfilling requirements imposed on the Holland aggregation by the PUCO.

#### III. AGGREGATION SERVICES

WPS shall serve as Holland's CRES Provider and with the assistance of the Village and/or the Village's authorized agent WP3 shall perform the following functions regarding Holland's aggregation program: assist the Village in fulfilling PUCO requirements including the filing of required reports and the compliance of this Amended Plan of Operation with PUCO roles; analyze customer information provided by Toledo Edison to identify eligible customers within the Village's corporate limits; develop the program's rates, terms and conditions of service and obt-out notices; distribute required notices to electric consumers in Holland; conduct the opt-out process; notify Toledo Edison of the customers in the Village's apprequis; notify customers of service start dates; undertake all EDI responsibilities and interact with FirstEnergy regarding the same; provide customer service and support as discussed herein; develop consumer adacation materials; comply with the PUCO's environmental disclosure requirements; infome customers that move into the Village after program start-up of the program and of their ability to opt-out; address all customer complaints as discussed begain; administer the credit and collection process; provide new program rates at the end of the initial two year term; notify customers of the program's new rates, terms and conditions of service and of their ability to ope-out at no charge at that time; and otherwise implement this Amended Plan of Operation and Governmence.

# IV. POWER SUPPLY AGREEMENT

Holland and WPS have entered into a binding Power Supply Agreement for the provision of services to Holland's aggregated electric consumers. Holland Ordinance No.

authorizes the Village's entering such Agreement. The terms end conditions of the Agreement govern the implementation and administration of the Village's aggregation program. A copy of the Agreement is attached hereto as Attachment A. A copy of Ordinance No.

is attached hereto as Attachment B.



#### v. Rate setting

Holland, as a participating member of NOAC, and WPS have negotiated gates for the first two (2) years of the four (4) year Holland-WPS Agreement. The rates are as provided in the Power Supply Agreement and are fixed for the initial two year period. WPS will pay the S5 switching fee imposed by the local utility. No later than the twenty-line month of service, WPS and Holland, as a member of NOAC, shall negotiate rates for the final two years of the WPS-supplied program. WPS shall provide rates for the program based primarily on the than current electric power market prices and any MSG or Non-MSG available.

#### VL CREDIT AND COLLECTION POLICY

#### 6.1 Billing

Customers will continue to receive a monthly bill from Tolado Edison, which will include charges from WPS for the electric generation portion of their bill. Customers are billed according to their Toledo Edison bill cycle. Toledo Edison bills customers menthly, in 21 billing cycles throughout the month. WPS will use FirstEnergy's rate ready consolidated billing method initially but may perform consolidated billing on behalf of the local distribution company once the PUCO rules regarding the same are finalized. In the event that WPS should decide to separately bill customers for generation charges, it will only do so after obtaining the Village's prior approval and after providing prior notification to the customer.

#### 6.2 Payment Terms

Customers are required to pay their emire Toledo Edison bill in a timely manner to avoid late charges and to maintain good standing in the program. All payments are applied to the Toledo Edison portion of the bill first. WPS's charges will be paid after the amount owed to Toledo Edison is paid in full. Failure to pay the full amount due, including WPS's charges, will lead to termination from the program. The Toledo Edison notices will include Toledo Edison's charges to the customer and will not include WPS's charges. WPS's past due notices are discussed below.

#### 6.3 Collection Process

Customers are obligated to keep their accounts current. If WPS does not receive payment by the bill due date and an account balance exceeding \$25.00 remains past due for thirty (30) days at the time of billing, a written ten (10) day Past-Due Notice will be issued. Accounts with a halance exceeding \$25.00 past due staty (60) days at the time of billing, and that were previously issued a Past Due Notice, will be issued a ten (10) day written Notification of Intent to Tenninate Letter. Accounts remaining past due after the ten (10) day Notification of Intent to Tenninate Letter will be sent a Program Tennination and Payment Request Notice. If amounts owed to WPS are not paid in full within fiftness (15) days of issuance of the Program Tennination and Payment Request Notice, accounts with balances exceeding \$25.00 past due will be terminated from the Aggregation

Program and returned to Toledo Edison. Customers with accounts returned to Toledo Edison for non-payment are obligated to pay WPS the remaining balance on the account. Customer accounts continuing as past due after termination from the program due to nonpayment may be trained over to a collection agency and reported to the craffit bureau, after ten (10) days' written confication.

#### VII. PROGRAM ENROLLMENT

Holland's electric aggregation is an "opt-our" aggregation program. Accordingly, customers will be automatically included in the Village's aggregation program unless they comply with the program's opt-out procedure discussed in Section VIII below. Customers who wish to participate and remain in the Village's aggregate need not take any action. These customers will be automatically enrolled in Holland's program. Enrollment shall commence with the start of service and shall continue for a two (2) year period. Customers will be notified by WPS when service under the program will begin which shall coincide with the switch from their current supplier.

#### VIII. OPT-OUT PROCEDURE AND TERMS

#### 8.1 Opt-out Process

WPS will implement the opt-out process on behalf of the Village of Holland and participating members of NOAC. Prior to commencement of service, WPS will utilize customer information provided by Toledo Edison to notify all eligible retail electric consumers in the Village of their right to opt-out of Holland's Electric Aggregation Program. Eligible Consumers shall be residential or commercial customers in the Village that are not otherwise designated by Toledo Edison as PIPP customers at the time of the Ope-out Period or are otherwise deemed ineligible to perticipate in the Village's Aggregation Program. Eligible Consumers will receive by meil a notice disclosing: the Program's rates; terms and conditions of service; general information related to the Program; and the Village's membership and association with NOAC. The notice shall deady provide instructions on how to opt-out of the program, which shall be by returning a postcard or calling a designated number. The Opt-out Period shall be a twenty-one (21) day period. Eligible Consumers shall have twenty-one (21) days from the date of the postmark on the notice to indicate their intent to opt-out. Rigible Communers that do not follow the prescribed opt-out procedure shall be automatically included in the program. It is the customer's responsibility to notify WPS if they are inadvertently switched and are not a Toledo Edison customer in the NOAC participating communities listed above. WPS shall notify Toledo Edison/Firstkingray of Holland's Eligible Consumers to be switched to service under the Program.

#### 8.2 Ont-out Privileges

Holland's Toledo Edison customers may opt-out of the Village's Aggregation Program at no charge under the following circumstances: n) during the initial opt-out period; b) at the end of the two year Euroliment Period; c) if they move from their current place of residence to a new place within NOAC they will automatically be tenuinated from the program until the next quantumly refresh; or d) if WPS's rates exceed those in Toledo



Edison's Standard Service Office Participents that desire to opt-out of the Village's aggregation program any other time may be subject to a \$25 switching fee.

#### 8.3 Return to Taledo Edison Service

Customers that ope-out of Holland's Aggregation Program will default to Toledo Edison's Standard Service Offer, until the consumer selects on alternate generation supplier.

#### 8.4 Switching to Other Sumiliers

Aggregation Program participants that switch to a different generation supplies after the expiration of the caroliment period will be allowed to do so in correlation with the consumer's next acheduled meter read date. Switching to a different generation supplies on the next meter read date, however, will occur when the next meter read date is 1.3 business days or more from the date of the consumer's notice of intent to opt-out of the Aggregation Group. If notification is less than 12 days this may result in the consumer being with their current supplier or WPS for an additional 1-2 months. Consumers choosing to switch, outside of the opt-out period, may be subject to a \$25 switching fire. Notification of intent to opt-out of the Aggregation Group may be made by contacting WPS by telephone or in writing.

## IX. JOINING THE PROGRAM AFTER START-UP

## 9.1. New Holland Residents

Residential customers that move into Holland after the conclusion of the initial Opt-our Period shall have the opportunity to join the Village's Aggregation Program at the rates provided in the Power Supply Agreement. These customers may call WPS for information on joining the program. WPS will conduct a quarterly Opt-out Period subject to receipt of new customer information from Toledo Edison. WPS will inform new residents of the Village's sustained aggregation program and of their right to opt-out of the Program. The Opt-out Period shall be recently-one (21) days. The two (2) year curoliment term shall be modified to conclude with that of the general Holland aggregation pool.

## 9.2 Customer Movement Within Holland

Holland's Aggregation Program participants that move from one location to another, within the corporate limits of the Village shall retain their participant status at the Power Supply Agreement price. However, these customers reserve the right to opt-out of the program at no cost if they change their place of residence. If the customer moves within the NOAC area they will be terminated from the program and will revert back to Toledo Edison until the next quarterly refresh. At that time they will be given an opportunity to re-join the program at the previous rete.

## 9.3 Praviously Opted-Out or otherwise Not Emplied Customers

Toledo Edison customers in the Village of Holland may join the Village's Aggregation Program after the expiration of the initial Opt-out Period by contacting WPS. Envolvement and service activation shall be subject to the written policies of WPS. Rates for such customers shall be at the Power Supply Agreement price, or at a market-based price, subject to the policies of WPS.

#### X. RELIABILTY OF ELECTRIC SERVICE

For the protection of retail electric consumers in Ohio, the PUCO has adopted rules governing the minimum service, quality, safety, and reliability practices for local utilities like Toledo Edison. The rules provide standards for inspection, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the transmission and distribution lines of each local utility. The rules also impose standards on utilities such as Toledo Edison for system operation, reliability, and easiety during emergencies and disasters. Toledo Edison will continue to maintain and service its electric transmission and distribution facilities in the Village of Holland. The only thing that changes for the Toledo Edison consumers in Holland that participate in the Aggregation Oroup is the generation supplier. For the members in the Village's. Electric Aggregation Program, the generation supplier is WPS Buergy Services, Inc.

#### XI. CUSTOMER SERVICE

WPS shall provide a fully staffed, 24 hour a day, customer service staff. The staff will address local questions or concerns related to the program. Holland's customers may call toll free to: 1-888-600-8735. Customers may contact WPS in writing at its Cleveland Ohio office at: WPS Energy Services, inc., Bank One Censer, 600 Superior, Suite 1300, Cleveland, OH 44114.

#### XIL CONSUMER EDUCATION

WPS will develop a retail electric competition consumer education plan for retail electric consumers in Holiand and the other participating members of NOAC. The education plan will focus on the needs of Toledo Edison customers in the NOAC, but may also address my unique retail electric competition educational needs of Holland's customers. WPS will, where practicable, provide consumer adjustion messages that are consistent with the messages of FirstEnergy; Toledo Edison's local campaign, and the statewide consumer education program.

#### XIIL DISPUTE RESOLUTION

WPS will attempt to resolve all customer complaints in a timely and good faith manner. Initial response to the customer's concern will occur within five (5) calendar days of complaint. WPS will investigate customer complaints received from the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) and provide a status report to the customer and the PUCO within five (5) calendar days. If an investigation into a complaint received from the customer or a complaint referred by the PUCO is not complaint within fourteen (14) calendar days, then a status report will be given to the customer, and, if applicable, the

PUCO. These status reports will be given every five (5) calendar days until the investigation is complete, unless the action that must be taken takes longer than five (5) days and the contenser has been notified. Final results of a Commission-referred complaint will be provided to the PUCO either orally (phone) or in writing (e-mail, written correspondence), no later than five (5) calendar days after the investigation is completed. The final results will be provided in writing to the customers no later than five (5) calendar days after the investigation is completed. Customers retain the right to contact the PUCO regarding complaints and disputes. WPS will provide customers with the current address; telephone numbers, including TDD/TTY telephone numbers, of the PUCO. Records of customer complaints will be retained for one (1) year after the occurrence of the complaint. A copy of the complaint record will be provided to the PUCO within five (5) days, if requested.

#### XIV. GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 14.1 Governing Law

Service under the Aggregation Program shall be governed by the provisions of these Rules and Regulations, the Village's Electric Aggregation Program Amended Plan of Operation and Governance, the Village-WPS Power Supply Agreement, the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Holland, Ohio, and the rules and regulations of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

#### 14.2 Tures and Poes

Any taxes, duties, fees or charges levied against WPS by any governmental or regulatory entity or passed through to WPS by capacity or energy shall be passed through by WPS and paid by the customer. WPS shall provide the customer written notice and detailed description of such charges if such information has not been included in previous communications.

#### 14.3 Additional Equipment

If additional metering or monitoring equipment is required by Toledo Edison, such metering or monitoring equipment shall be installed at customer's expense. Customer shall cooperate as necessary with installation of additional metering or monitoring equipment.

#### 14.4 <u>Customer Information</u>

Neither the Village nor WPS shall release an Aggregation Program participant's social security number or account number without the program participant's written consent. WPS shall not release information on customers that have opted out of the program without the prior written consent of the customer.



## 14.5 Perment History

Aggregation Program customers shall have the right to request, without charge, from WPS the customer's payment history for a period of up to twenty-four (24) months.

# XV. ADOPTION OF AMENDED PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE

This Amended Plan of Operation and Governance shall be subject to the adoption of Holland Village Council. A copy of the Village's Ordinance No. 140-201 edopting this Amended Plan of Operation is attached hereto to Attachment G.

Further modifications to the Amended Plan of Operation and Governance after adoption will require approval of Holland Village Council.

## XVI. COMMERCIAL SERVICE PROVIDED BY FIRSTENERGY SERVICES, INC.

Consistent with the Provisions of this Amended Plan of Operation and Governmee and with the Power Supply Agreement entered into with WPS Energy Services, Inc. referenced in Section IV bearin, the Village and FirstEnergy Services, Inc. ("FES") have entered into an agreement to provide aggregated electric generation service to the Program's commercial consumers. Ordinance No.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ authorized the Village to enter into the Master Agreement to Provide Services to an Aggregated Group with FES, which provides services to any of the Program's commercial electric consumers whose demand does not exceed 300 kW. Sections II through XIV, inclusive, of this Plan shall not be applicable to the provision of services under the Master Agreement for its Term; with the exception that conduct of the Opt-Out provided for in the Master Agreement shall be done consistent with the twanty-one (21) day Opt-Out Period provided for in Section 8.1 herein. To the extent that there is any discrepancy between this Plan and the Master Agreement, the terms and provisions of the Master Agreement shall govern the Village's Program as to commercial electric consumers for the Agreement's Term. A copy of the Master Agreement is attached hereto as Attachment D.

# **EXHIBIT A-4**

# **Automatic Aggregation Disclosure "Opt-Out Form**



August 7, 2014

Re: Great news - NOAC's Aggregation Program supplied by FirstEnergy Solutions continues to offer savings!

Dear Resident,

Your community's aggregation program provides you the opportunity to save money on your electric bill. These savings are possible through governmental aggregation, a community purchasing program where community officials bring together citizens to gain group buying power for the purchase of electricity from a retail electric generation provider certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

FirstEnergy Solutions, a subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corp., has been selected by NOAC (Northwest Ohio Aggregation Coalition) to provide you with savings on your electric generation. If you're not already participating, this is your chance to join. If you're already participating, this is your opportunity to extend your savings. There is no cost for enrollment, you will not be charged a switching fee, and you do not need to do anything to participate. Please see the enclosed FAQs for more information.

By participating in this aggregation program, you will receive exclusive low pricing on your electric generation. The chart below shows the details of this program:

The NOAC program was approved by voters in your community in November 2000.

Your Electric Utility	Price	Term End Date	Opt Out Deadline	Early Termination Fee	
Ohio Edison or Toledo Edison	6% off Price To Compare	May 2017	August 28, 2014	<b>\$2</b> 5	

How to estimate what your savings will be through this program

Locate your Price to Compare on your electric bill. Divide your Price to Compare by 100, then multiply by 0.06 (6%) to determine your savings per kWh. Multiply that number by your total monthly usage. The final number is how much you can expect to save each month you use the same amount of electricity.

If you are a new member of the program, you will see your electric savings from FirstEnergy Solutions after your enrollment has been completed and your switch has been finalized — approximately 30-45 days, depending upon your meter read date. Of course, you are not obligated to participate in the community's electric governmental aggregation program. If you do not want to participate in this savings program, you have until the opt out deadline to return the attached "opt-out" form. If you do not opt out at this time and leave the program at a later date, you might not be served under the same rates, terms and conditions that apply to other customers served by your utility. Once enrolled, you will receive a notice at least every three years asking if you wish to remain in the program. If you leave the program at any other time, you could be subject to the early termination fee listed above from FirstEnergy Solutions.

If you are not currently receiving electric generation from FirstEnergy Solutions, your electric utility will send you a letter confirming your selection of FirstEnergy Solutions as your electric generation provider. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your option to cancel your contract with FirstEnergy Solutions within seven days of its postmark. To remain a member of the community's electric governmental aggregation program, you don't need to take any action when this letter arrives. If you are currently enrolled in the community's aggregation program, you will not receive a letter from your electric utility.

Your electric utility will continue to maintain the system that delivers power to your home – no new poles or wires will be built by FirstEnergy Solutions. You will continue to receive a single, easy-to-read bill from your local electric utility with your FirstEnergy Solutions charges included. The only thing you'll notice is savings.

If you have any questions, please call FirstEnergy Solutions toll-free at 1-866-636-3749, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please do not call your community with aggregation program questions.

Sincerely,

Northwest Ohio Aggregation Coalition

P.S. To receive these savings, you should not respond. Return the opt-out form only if you do not want to participate in your community's electric governmental aggregation program.

# Option 1: Do nothing and save. If you want to participate in this program and save, you do not need to return this form. Your enrollment is automatic. Option 2: Option 2: Option 2: Option 2: Option 3: Option 3: Option 4: Option 5: Option 5: Option 5: Option 6: Option 6: Option 6: Option 6: Option 7: Opt

By returning this signed form, you will not be part of your community's electric savings program.				
I wish to opt out of my community's electric savings program. (Check box to opt out.)				
Service address (City, state and zip):				
Phone number:				
Account holder's signature:	Date:			

Mail by August 28, 2014 to: NOAC Electric Governmental Aggregation Program, 341 White Pond Drive, Bldg. B-2, Akron, Ohio 44320

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## Electric Governmental Aggregation Program Frequently Asked Questions Residential Program

## What is aggregation?

Under governmental aggregation, local officials bring citizens together to gain group buying power for the purchase of competitively priced electricity from a retail electric generation supplier certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

How is my community able to choose a certified electric generation supplier on my behalf? Residents voted to allow the community to contract for an electric generation supplier on their behalf.

# How will I know if I can save money under the electric governmental aggregation program? The price you pay for electric generation supply is guaranteed to be lower because you'll always receive the percent discount for your electric generation.

#### What do I need to do if I want to be included in this governmental aggregation?

You do not need to do anything to receive the discounted generation pricing under this program. You may choose to remain in the aggregation group and begin receiving your discount by simply not returning the opt-out form.

# If I join my community's governmental aggregation program, who will deliver my power, read my meter and respond to emergencies, such as power outages?

Your electric utility will be responsible for the delivery of power to your home or business. Since your electric utility still owns the wires and poles that deliver power to you, it will continue to read your meter and restore power after an outage.

# Is your price for residential power fixed, or does it vary?

In this program, the discount you will receive each month does not change. But because the actual price per kWh charged by the utility may change each month (based on the season and your usage), the price per kWh from FirstEnergy Solutions will also change each month.

# If I am already a member of this program, why am I receiving this letter?

As a current member of your community's electric governmental aggregation program, you are given the opportunity to opt-out of the program at least every three years at no charge. Your previous contract with FirstEnergy Solutions is coming to an end, and this is your opportunity to either opt-out or continue saving with FirstEnergy Solutions.

#### What does "opt out" mean?

"Opt out" means that you can decide not to participate in your community's electric governmental aggregation program. By returning the opt-out form, which is included in this mailing, by the Opt Out Deadline you will not be enrolled as an electric generation customer with FirstEnergy Solutions, your community's competitive electric generation supplier, and you will not receive the discount.

# What happens if I do not send in the opt-out form?

If you do not return the opt-out form postmarked by the Opt Out Deadline, you will be included in your community's governmental aggregation program and will receive competitively priced electricity from FirstEnergy Solutions.

#### Can I opt out over the phone?

No, if you want to opt out, you must mail in your completed opt-out form and it must be postmarked by the Opt Out Deadline.

#### Can I opt out of the program at a later date?

Yes, but you will be subject to the early termination fee from FirstEnergy Solutions if you cancel for any other reason but moving. However, you will be sent a notice at least every three years asking if you wish to remain in the program. At that point, you may opt out at no cost.

#### What are my energy supply choices if I decide to opt out?

You can stay with your current electric utility, which will continue to supply your electric generation as it always has, or you can shop for an alternative generation supplier. A list of competitive electric suppliers certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and their current prices are available by calling 1-800-686-PUCO (1-800-686-7826).

#### If I join the aggregation, can I stay on budget billing?

Yes, you can remain on budget billing; however, only your charges from the utility will continue to be budgeted. Your charges from FirstEnergy Solutions will not be budgeted – you will pay the full amount each month.

Can I still have my payment automatically deducted from my checking account as I do now? Yes. How you pay your electric bill will not change.

#### Who is FirstEnergy Solutions?

FirstEnergy Solutions Corp., a subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corp., offers a wide range of energy and related products and services, including the generation and sale of electricity and energy planning and procurement. FirstEnergy Solutions is a leading competitive supplier of energy to residential and commercial and industrial customers in Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland, Illinois and Michigan.

#### What is the toll-free number for questions?

If you have any questions, please call 1-866-636-3749, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Additional FAQs for all-electric space heating, electric water heating and/or load management customers:

# I receive a credit from my electric utility for my electric water heating. Will I miss out on this credit if I join this program?

Because FirstEnergy Solutions is offering a discount off the Price to Compare, you are not missing out on any of the savings that utility credits provide.

## If I leave this program at a later date, will I be able to keep the credits I get from my utility for having allelectric space heating, electric water heating and/or load management equipment?

Yes. This discount is in addition to the generation credit reflected in your Price to Compare. So if you cancel your contract with FirstEnergy Solutions, you will continue to receive the credits from your utility for having all-electric space heating, electric water heating and/or load management equipment as long as those credits are being offered.







FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. - Residential & Small Commercial Terms 4. Billing. You will continue to receive a single bill from your EDU that will and Conditions contain both your EDU and FES charges. FES does not offer budget

These Terms and Conditions together with the enrollment information are your agreement for electric generation service with FirstEnergy Solutions Corp. ("FES") if you choose to remain in the community aggregation program by not "opting-out" or exercising the right of rescission ("Agreement"). Please keep a copy of this Agreement for your records.

FES is certified by the Ohio Public Utility Commission ("PUCO") to offer and supply electric generation services in Ohio. As a Competitive Retail Electric Service ("CRES") provider, FES will supply the electric generation to your Electric Distribution Utility (EDU) based on your usage. Your EDU then distributes or delivers the electricity to you. FES sets the generation prices and charges that the customers pay. The PUCO regulates distribution prices and services. The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission regulates transmission prices and services.

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

Generation Service - The production of electricity.

Transmission Service – Moving high voltage electricity from a generation facility to the distribution lines of an Electric Distribution Utility ("EDU").

Distribution Service – Physical delivery of electricity to customers by EDU.

RIGHT OF RESCISSION -- If you do not opt-out and are enrolled to receive 7. generation service from FES, your EDU will send you a confirmation letter. You will have the right to rescind your enrollment within seven (7) calendar days following the postmark date of the confirmation letter by following the instructions contained in the letter. The Right of Rescission only applies when a customer switches to a generation supplier and not on renewal enrollments. Your EDU will not send a confirmation notice upon any renewal of this Agreement. Should you choose to opt-out of your community's program, you will be served by your EDU's standard service offer established pursuant to section 4928.14 of the Ohio Revised Code unless you choose an alternate supplier of electricity.

#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE**

- Eligibility. Only Residential Customer accounts not enrolled in the Percentage of Income Plan Program (PIPP) and small commercial customers with a peak demand below 399 KW are eligible for this offer 9. from FES. FES reserves the right to refuse enrollment to any customer with an outstanding balance.
- 2. Basic Service Prices. During the term of this Contract, you agree to pay FES for a total combined Transmission, Generation, and Generation Related Charges. You will be billed at the percentage off your EDU Price to Compare per KWh per billing month, as specified in the opt-out notification. Your Price to Compare consists of bypassable transmission, generation and transmission and generation related components, which are charges associated with the costs of purchased power and the cost to deliver the power through the transmission system. These are the charges that you would avoid for that billing period when you switch to FES.

Your price per KWh will vary because it will always be a percent off the Price to Compare, which may change based on any changes made by the EDU in its calculations. In addition to FES' charges, you will be charged by your EDU for distribution and various other charges. FES reserves the right to unilaterally modify this billing format in the event the EDU is unable or unwilling to provide consolidated billing in this format or changes the calculation of the Price to Compare.

In addition to the charges described above, if any regional transmission organization or similar entity, EDU, governmental entity or agency, NERC and other industry reliability organization, or court requires a change to the terms of the Agreement, or imposes upon Supplier new or additional charges or requirements, or a change in the method or procedure for determining charges or requirements, relating to your electric supply under this Agreement (any of the foregoing, a "Pass-Through Event"), which are not otherwise reimbursed to FES, Customer agrees that Supplier may pass through the additional cost to Supplier of such Pass-Through Event, which may be variable, to Customer. Changes may include, without limitation, transmission or capacity requirements, new or modified charges or shopping credits, and other changes to retail electric customer access programs.

3. Length of Agreement. As a part of your community's program, your service from FES will commence with the next available meter reading and after processing of the enrollment by your EDU, and will continue for the term as specified in the opt-out notification, ending on the meter read for the last month of service. The program may be terminated or modified due to unforeseen regulatory action. Customer and FES agree that any such regulatory action is a force majeure event. Should the program be terminated, you will be returned to the standard service offer or its successor.

- 4. Billing. You will continue to receive a single bill from your EDU that will contain both your EDU and FES charges. FES does not offer budget billing. If you do not pay your bill by the due date, FES may cancel this Agreement after giving you a minimum of fourteen (14) days written notice. Upon cancellation you will be returned to your EDU as a customer. You will remain responsible to pay FES for any electricity used before this Agreement is cancelled, as well as any late payment charges.
- Penalties, Fees and Exceptions. If you do not pay the full amount owed FES by the due date of the bill, FES may charge a 1.5% per month late payment fee.
- 6. Cancellation/Termination Provisions. If this Agreement is not rescinded during the rescission period, enrollment will be sent to your EDU. You may terminate this Agreement, without penalty, if you move out of the EDU service territory or into an area where FES will charge a different price. There will be a \$25 charge for each residential EDU account and a \$50.00 charge for each commercial EDU account if you terminate this Agreement for any other reason, except as expressly provided herein. Should you cancel service with FES and return to standard offer service with your EDU, you may not be served under the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to other EDU customers.
- 7. Customer Consent and Information Release Authorization. By choosing not to opt-out of your community's aggregation program, you understand and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement with FES. You authorize FES to obtain information from the EDU that includes, but is not limited to: billing history, payment history, historical and future electricity usage, meter readings, and characteristics of electricity service. FES reserves the sole right to determine if your credit standing is satisfactory before accepting your enrollment request. This Agreement shall be considered executed by FES following acceptance of your enrollment request by FES, the end of the 7 day rescission period and subsequent acceptance of the enrollment by your EDU.
- 8. Contract Expiration. At least every three years, you will be given the opportunity to opt-out of your community's aggregation program at no cost. You are responsible for arranging for your electric supply upon termination of this Contract.
- 9. Dispute Procedures. Contact FES with any questions concerning the terms of service by phone at 1-888-254-6359 (toll-free) M-F 8AM 5PM EST or in writing at 341 White Pond Drive, Attn: Contract Administration, Akron, OH 44320. Our web address is www.firstenergysolutions.com. If your complaint is not resolved after you have called your electric supplier and/or your electric utility, or for general utility information, residential and business customers may contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) or TYY at 1-800-686-1570 (toll free) from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm weekdays or at <a href="https://www.PUCO.ohio.gov">www.PUCO.ohio.gov</a>. Residential customers may also call the Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) at 1-877-742-5622 (toll free) from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm weekdays or at <a href="https://www.puckocc.org">www.puckocc.org</a>.
- 10. Miscellaneous. You have the right to request from FES, twice within a 12 month period, up to 24 months of payment history, without charge.

FES will not release your Social Security number and/or account number(s) without your written consent

FES' environmental disclosure statement is available for viewing on our website – <a href="https://www.firstenergysolutions.com">www.firstenergysolutions.com</a>. You agree that FES will make the required quarterly updates to the statement electronically on our website. We will also provide the information upon request.

FES may assign its rights to another, including any successor, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the PUCO.

FES assumes no responsibility or liability for the following items that are the responsibility of the EDU: operation and maintenance of the EDU's electrical system, any interruption of service, termination of service, or deterioration of the EDU's service. In the event of a power outage, you should contact your local EDU.

Customer is responsible for providing FES with accurate account information. If said information is incorrect, FES reserves the right to reprice the applicable account(s) or terminate the agreement.

FES reserves the right to return any customer to the EDU if the customer's rate code is changed and the account is no longer eligible for this program.

11. Warranty. FES warrants title and the right to all electricity sold hereunder. THE WARRANTIES SET FORTH IN THIS PARAGRAPH ARE EXCLUSIVE AND ARE IN LIEU OF ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, WHETHER STATUTORY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR ARISING OUT OF ANY COURSE OF DEALING OR USAGE OF TRADE.

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