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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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#### Α. **RENEWAL INFORMATION**

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

Legal Name Wayne County Commissioners Address 428 West Liberty Street, Wooster, OH 44691-5095 PUCO Certificate # and Date Certified 13-662; 4/27/2013 Telephone # (330) 287-5400 Web site address (if any) www.wayneohio.org

- Exhibit A-2 "Authorizing Ordinance" provide a copy of the ordinance or resolution A-2 authorizing the formation of a governmental aggregation program adopted pursuant to Section 4928.20(A) of the Revised Code.
- A-3 Exhibit A-3 "Operation and Governance Plan" provide a copy of the applicant's 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

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A-4 <u>Exhibit A-4 Automatic Aggregation Disclosure-"Opt-out Form"</u> provide a copy of the disclosures/"opt-out" required by Section 4928.20(D) of the <u>Revised Code</u>, if its aggregation program provides for automatic aggregation in accordance with Section 4928.20(A) of the <u>Revised Code</u>. 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.

#### A-5 Contact person for regulatory or emergency matters

 Name
 Mark R. Frye

 Title
 Consultant for Wayne County

 Business address
 5577 Airport Highway, Suite 101, Toledo, OH 43615

 Telephone # (419) 539-9180
 Fax # (419) 539-9185

 E-mail address (if any)
 mfrye@palmerenergy.com

#### A-6 Contact person for Commission Staff use in investigating customer complaints

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#### A-7 Applicant's address and toll-free number for customer service and complaints

Customer Service address <u>428 West Liberty Street</u>, <u>Wooster</u>, <u>OH</u> <u>44691-5098</u> Toll-free Telephone <u># (330) 287-5400</u> Fax <u># (330) 287-5407</u> E-mail address (if any) <u>pcherron@wayneohio.org</u>

- Woyne Canon DomiNester Signature of Applicant &

Sworn and subscribed before me this 12th day of February, 2015 Month BARBARA A. CHAPIN NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF OHIO Nag My Commussion Expires 1-29-18 Signature of official administering oath **Print Name and Title** My commission expires on 1/29/18

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	County of Wayhe: (Town) ss.
Pl	Wick C. Hur On Affiant, being duly sworn/affirmed according to law, deposes and says that:
Ć,	He She is the ACMINISTOR (Office of Affiant) of Wayne and (Name of Applicant);
	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 Obio, 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.

- Wayne Carey DomiNISTRATION Signature of Affiant & Title Sworn and subscribed before me this 12th day of February 2015 Year Month BARBARA A. CHAPIN NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF OHIO My Commission Expires 1/29/18 4.00 Rofficial administering oath Print Name and Title Signate 29/18 My commission expires on

# **Exhibit A-2 Authorizing Ordinance**

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Elhibit A-2

#### Resolution

No. 2013-86

#### Board of Wayne County Commissioners Jim Carmichael Ann M. Obrecht Scott S. Wiggam

### Adopted:February 13, 2013Subject:Approval of Electric Power Aggregation Plan of Operation and Governance

It was moved by <u>Mr. Wiggam</u> and seconded by <u>Mrs. Obrecht</u> that approval is hereby granted for the Electric Power Aggregation Plan of Operation and Governance with authorization granted to the County Administrator, Patrick Herron, to execute the agreement and any documents required to file the application with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO).

The vote is as follows: Jim Carmichael yea Ann M.

Ann M. Obrecht yea Scott S. Wiggam yea

#### CERTIFICATE

I, Diane L. Austen, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners, Wayne County, Ohio, hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted and journalized by said Board on said date.

Diane L. Austen, Clerk

# Exhibit A-3 Operation and Governance Plan

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#### Wayne County Electric Governmental Aggregation Plan of Operation and Governance

I. **INTRODUCTION.** On November 6, 2012 a majority of voters in Wooster Township in Wayne County Ohio, approved a referendum that authorized the formation of an "opt-out" governmental aggregation in compliance with Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code regarding the governmental aggregation of electric service consumers. While initially intended for this Township approval the following Plan of Governance may also eventually include other townships and communities in Wayne County provided they pass a governmental aggregation referendum by the majority of voters in that community, decide to join the Wayne County Ohio "opt-out" governmental aggregation and obtain approval from the Board of County Commissioners.

Wooster Township and any other Wayne County community that may decide to utilize their aggregation authority jointly through Wayne County Ohio are permitted to do so under Section 4928.20 (A) of the Ohio Revised Code.

Wayne County ("County" or "Wayne County") anticipates that utilizing its aggregation authority will provide individual residential and small commercial consumers benefits such as price reductions that these consumers are typically unable to obtain since they lack the bargaining power, expertise and the economies of scale enjoyed by larger consumers.

II. <u>PROCESS.</u> Under an opt-out aggregation program, all residential and small business customers in the authorized areas of Wayne County are automatically included as participants in the Aggregation Program unless they opt-out of the program by providing written notice of their intention not to participate. As required by Ohio Law, the various communities jointly participating in the Wayne County governmental aggregation passed a Resolution or Ordinance, which authorized submitting the selection of opt-out aggregation to the community's voters.

In addition to obtaining necessary voter approvals, Wayne County is also required to comply with various PUCO regulations. As required by PUCO regulations the County will file an application with the PUCO for certification as a Government Aggregator after the County Approves this Aggregation Plan of Operations and Governance ("Plan" or "Aggregation Plan"). As required by regulations, the County advertised public hearing dates to discuss the Plan and held two hearings on the Plan.

The County anticipates selection of a Provider prior to or shortly after receiving approval from the PUCO as a governmental aggregator. Upon Provider selection an Opt-out notice for the County's Program will be sent to all eligible electric customers setting forth the rates, terms and conditions of the program. This notice will provide potential Aggregation participants at least 21 days to return an opt-out card or other similar notice.

III. <u>CONTRACT</u>. The supply contract ("Contract") negotiated between the Governmental Aggregator and the selected Provider shall be for firm, full requirements power supply. Each

Aggregation participant shall be individually bound by the terms and conditions found in the opt-out notice and the Contract and shall be solely responsible for payment and performance. The power supply charges for Aggregation participants shall be negotiated and included in the Contract. These charges shall take the form of either a fixed price or a price representing a percentage below the electric distribution utility's ("EDU") avoidable costs ("Avoidable") or Price to compare ("PTC"). These charges will be fully and prominently disclosed in the consumer opt-out materials provided to potential Aggregation participants and available by calling the Provider's toll free customer service telephone number.

The County's <u>Retail Electric Generation Provider shall meet each</u> of the following requirements:

- Has sufficient power supplies arranged and structure in place to provide retail firm power to the Members.
- Has a Federal Power Marketer license with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.
- Is certified as a CRES by the PUCO.
- Registered as a generation supplier with the EDU prior to flowing power to Members.
- Has appropriate Transmission Service agreement(s) in place to serve the Members.
- Has or has arranged for an Electronic Data Interchange computer network that is capable of handling the County's Members requirements with the EDU.
- · Has the ability to educate Members on the County's Aggregation Program.
- Has or has arranged for a call center capable of handling the County's Aggregation Group customer calls.
- Has a toll-free number as required by the PUCO for customer service inquiries and potential complaints related to the County Program.
- Will hold the County financially harmless from any financial obligations arising from supplying power to the Members.
- Satisfies the EDU's and County's credit requirements.
- Will assist the County and its consultant in filing reports required by the PUCO and Sections 4805.10(A), 4911.18(A) and 4928.06(F) of the Ohio Revised Code.
- IV. <u>DEFINITIONS</u>. In order to clarify certain terminology, the following terms shall have the meanings set forth below:

"Aggregation Program" or "Program" means the program developed by the County, as a Government Aggregator under Section 4928.20 Ohio Revised Code, to provide eligible residential and small business consumers with retail electric generation services.

"Government Aggregator" means Wayne County using its legislative authority to act as an aggregator for the provision of a competitive retail electric service under the authority conferred under Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code.

"Member" or "Aggregation Participant" means a person or consumer enrolled in the Wayne County Program for competitive retail electric services.

"Retail Electric Generation Provider" ("Provider") means an entity certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") to provide competitive retail electric service(s), and which is chosen by the County to be the entity responsible to provide the required service

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related to Government Aggregation as defined in Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code and applicable provisions of the rules of the PUCO.

"Competitive Retail Electric Service" ("CRES") means a component of electric retail service that is deemed competitive pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code or pursuant to an order of the PUCO.

- V. <u>GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATION SERVICES</u>. Government aggregation, the combining of multiple electric loads by a governmental entity, provides a means for residential consumers and small commercial consumers in the County to obtain economic benefits from Ohio's competitive retail electric market. The County Aggregation Program combines the electric loads of residential customers and small commercial consumers into a buying group ("Aggregation Group"). The County will act as Purchasing Agent for the Aggregation Group. This means that the County will be a Governmental Aggregator, as defined by Ohio law and the rules established by the PUCO, and shall act on behalf of eligible residential and small commercial consumers in the County to: 1) select a Retail Electric Generation Provider ("Provider") to supply the Aggregation Group; 2) negotiate the terms of supply between the Provider and each Aggregation participant; and 3) oversee the enrollment procedures administered by the Provider.
  - A. <u>Provider</u>: The County will use its Provider to perform and manage aggregation services for its Members. The Provider shall provide adequate, accurate, and understandable pricing terms and conditions of service, including any switching fees and the conditions under which a Member may rescind a contract without penalty. The Provider must provide the County or its authorized consultant, if requested, an electronic file containing the Members usage, and charges. Upon request this information shall be sent to the County or its authorized consultant within 30 days. The Provider must have local and/or a toll free number for Members to call.
  - B. <u>Database</u>: The Retail Electric Generation Provider will build and maintain a database of all Members. The database will include all necessary information for the provider and the County to serve the Aggregation. This information includes but is not limited to the name, address, account number or other EDU identifying number(s), and Retail Electric Generation Provider's account number of the Member, and other pertinent information such as rate code, rider code (if applicable), most recent 12 months of usage and demand, and meter read cycle. This database will be updated and provided to the County and/or its consultant at least quarterly. Accordingly, the Provider will implement a process to accommodate Members that: 1) leave the program due to relocation, opting out, etc.; 2) decide to enter or opt-into the Program; 3) relocate within eligible areas within the County; and 4) move into the County and desire to enter or opt-in to the Program. This database shall also be capable of removing PIPP customers from the Program, should that be necessary, and those who have opted out. The Retail Electric Generation Provider will use this database to perform bill audits for clerical and mathematical accuracy of Member bills.
  - C. <u>Member Education</u>: The Provider will develop, with the assistance of the County and its authorized consultant, an educational program that generally explains the Aggregation Program to Members, provides updates and disclosures mandated by Ohio law and PUCO rules, and implements a process to deal with allowing any person enrolled in the Aggregation Program the

opportunity to opt out of the program at least every three years, without paying a switching fee to the County or the Provider.

- D. <u>Customer Service</u>: The "Provider" will administer a customer service process that, at a minimum, will accommodate: 1) Member inquiries and complaints about billing; and 2) answer questions regarding the Program in general. This process will, at a minimum, include a description of how telephone inquiries will be handled (either internally or externally), how invoices will be prepared, how remittance of payment will be dealt with, and how collections for delinquent accounts will be addressed. See Appendix B for a detailed description of the Customer Service Plan.
- E. <u>Billing</u>: The County will use the Provider, or its designated agent, to provide billing services to each Member for the Competitive Retail Electric Services, with no additional administrative fee. At this time, the EDU will render the billing statement, which should be consistent with all applicable guidelines issued by the PUCO. As this market develops, the County may, at its option and in consultation with the Provider, change this function to the Retail Electric Generation Provider or a billing agency.
- F. <u>Compliance Process</u>: The Provider will have internal controls and processes that ensure the County remains in good standing as a Government Aggregator and that it complies with all laws, rules and regulations surrounding the same, as they may be amended from time to time. The Provider will deliver periodic reports to the County and its consultant that will include at a minimum (i) the number of Members participating in the Program; and (ii) a savings estimate or increase from the previous year's baseline. The Provider will also develop a process to monitor and provide notification to the County of any changes in laws, rules or regulations.
- G. Notification to EDU: The County's potential Aggregation participants that do not opt-out of the Aggregation Group will be enrolled automatically in the Aggregation Program. Members in the Aggregation Group will not be asked to take other affirmative steps in order to be included in the Group. To the extent that the EDU requires notification of participation, the County will coordinate with its Provider to provide such notice to the EDU. The Provider will inform the EDU of any individuals who may have been permitted to join the Aggregation Group after the expiration of the enrollment period.
- H. <u>Activation of Service</u>. After a notice is sent out to all electric customers in the County providing 21 days to opt out of the Program, all customers who do not opt out will be automatically enrolled in the Program. During this opt-out period eligible consumers may opt-out of the County's Aggregation Group without fees charged by the Provider or the County. Generation service activation will occur thereafter without consumer action beginning on the customer's normal meter read date within the month when power deliveries begin under the Aggregation Program.
- I. <u>Changes, Extension or Renewal of Service</u>. At least every three years all consumers eligible to participate in the County's Program will be given an opportunity to opt into or out of the Program, and reasonable notice will be provided as required by law and PUCO rules. Participants will also be notified of their right to select an alternate generation supplier and of their ability to return to EDU's Standard Service Offer.

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- F. <u>Compliance Process</u>: The Provider will have internal controls and processes that ensure the County remains in good standing as a Government Aggregator and that it complies with all laws, rules and regulations surrounding the same, as they may be amended from time to time. The Provider will deliver periodic reports to the County and its consultant that will include at a minimum (i) the number of Members participating in the Program; and (ii) a savings estimate or increase from the previous year's baseline. The Provider will also develop a process to monitor and provide notification to the County of any changes in laws, rules or regulations.
- G. <u>Notification to EDU</u>: The County's potential Aggregation participants that do <u>not</u> opt-out of the Aggregation Group will be enrolled automatically in the Aggregation Program. Members in the Aggregation Group will <u>not</u> be asked to take other affirmative steps in order to be included in the Group. To the extent that the EDU requires notification of participation, the County will coordinate with its Provider to provide such notice to the EDU. The Provider will inform the EDU of any individuals who may have been permitted to join the Aggregation Group after the expiration of the enrollment period.
- H. <u>Activation of Service</u>. After a notice is sent out to all electric customers in the County providing 21 days to opt out of the Program, all customers who do not opt out will be automatically enrolled in the Program. During this opt-out period eligible consumers may opt-out of the County's Aggregation Group without fees charged by the Provider or the County. Generation service activation will occur thereafter without consumer action beginning on the customer's normal meter read date within the month when power deliveries begin under the Aggregation Program.
- I. <u>Changes, Extension or Renewal of Service</u>. At least every three years all consumers eligible to participate in the County's Program will be given an opportunity to opt into or out of the Program, and reasonable notice will be provided as required by law and PUCO rules. Participants will also be notified of their right to select an alternate generation supplier and of their ability to return to EDU's Standard Service Offer.
- J. <u>Termination of Service</u>. In the event that the Contract is terminated prior to the end of the term, each individual Member of the Aggregation Group will receive written notification of the

termination of the Program at least sixty (60) days prior to termination of service. If the Contract is not extended or renewed, Members will be notified as required by law and the CRES rules of the PUCO in advance of the end of service. Members will also be notified of their right to select an alternate generation supplier and of their ability to return to the EDU's Standard Service Offer upon termination.

- K. <u>Opt-In Procedures</u>. Eligible consumers may request to join the Aggregation Group after the expiration of any enrollment period by contacting the Provider. The Contract shall determine whether the Provider accepts them into the Program, and, if so, at what rate. The agreed upon policy in the Contract shall be consistent with the EDU's service activation requirements. Aggregation Group participants who move from one location to another within eligible areas of the County shall retain their participant status.
- L. <u>Opt-out Outside Enrollment Period</u>. Members who switch to a different generation supplier after the expiration of the Opt-out period will be allowed to do so in correlation with the consumer's next scheduled meter read date but may be charged a switching fee in an amount and method determined by the Contract. Switching to a different generation supplier on the next meter read date, however, will occur when the next meter read date is twelve (12) business days or more from the date of the consumer's notice of intent to opt-out of the Aggregation Group. Notification of intent to opt-out of the Aggregation Group may be made by contacting the Provider by telephone or in writing. Members who opt-out of the Aggregation Group will default to the EDU's Standard Service Offer, until the consumer selects an alternate generation supplier.
- M. <u>Eligibility</u>. Only non-mercantile consumers shall be eligible for the Program through the optout process. Other eligibility restrictions such as peak demand or use may be negotiated within the Contract.

#### VI. MISCELLANEOUS GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES

- A. The Board of County Commissions of Wayne County shall approve through Resolution or Ordinance the Plan of Operation and Governance for the Aggregation program and any Amendments thereto.
- B. The County will require any Provider to disclose any subcontractors that it uses in fulfillment of the services described above.
- C. The County will require the Provider to maintain either a toll free telephone number, or a telephone number that is local to County Program Members.
- VII. <u>LIABILITY</u>. THE COUNTY SHALL NOT BE LIABLE TO MEMBERS IN THE AGGREGATION GROUP FOR ANY CLAIMS WHATSOEVER ARISING OUT OF THE AGGREGATION PROGRAM OR THE PROVISION OF AGGREGATION SERVICES BY THE COUNTY OR THE PROVIDER. AGGREGATION GROUP MEMBERS SHALL ASSERT ANY SUCH CLAIMS SOLELY AGAINST THE PROVIDER PURSUANT TO THE POWER SUPPLY AGREEMENT, UNDER WHICH SUCH PARTICIPANTS ARE EXPRESS THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARIES.

#### VIII. INFORMATION AND COMPLAINT NUMBERS

Potential participants can receive more information about the program or Copies of this Plan from the County free of charge by calling 330-287-5400.

Any electric customer, including any participant in the County's Aggregation Program, may contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) for information, or to make a complaint against the Program, the Provider or EDU. The PUCO may be reached toll free at 1-800-686-7826.

#### Appendix A -- Education Process

The Provider will develop an educational program in conjunction with the County and its energy consultant. Its purpose will be to explain the aggregation program to County Members, provide updates and disclosures as mandated by State law and the rules of the PUCO, and provide the opportunity for the members to opt out of the program. The following are the program components:

- 1. Each eligible consumer within the County limits will receive via U.S. Mail notification of: what government aggregation means, their membership in the government aggregation program, the procedure which must be followed in order to opt out of the program, the price that they can expect to receive as a member of the program, and the deadline for returning the opt out form. See the attached letter.
- 2. The Provider will work with the County to provide opportunities for educating eligible County consumers about the Program and their rights under the law, PUCO rules and this Program. In addition, the Provider and County will work to provide education about and other opportunities for energy efficiency measures to help consumers reduce energy consumption.
- 3. The Provider will provide updates and disclosures as mandated by State law and rules of the PUCO.
- 4. The opt-out opportunity will be provided to the Members of the program at least every three years. Should conditions, suppliers, price, or any other component of the program change within the three-year period, participants will be given a notice of their opportunity to opt out of, or into the program.

January \_\_\_\_, 2015

Dear County Resident,

County is providing you the opportunity to join other residents to save money on the electricity you use. Savings are possible through governmental aggregation, where your 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. Your community voters approved this program in November 2012.

After researching competitive electricity pricing options for you, has chosen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to provide you with electric generation through \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. There is no cost for enrollment and you will not be charged a switching fee. You do not need to do anything to participate.

As a member of this aggregation, your electricity supplies will be priced at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or approximately \_\_\_\_\_\_ below your Price to Compare. Your Price to Compare is essentially the price you pay for electric generation from the utility and consists of generation and transmission related components, which are the costs associated with generating the power and delivering it through the transmission system.

To estimate what your savings per kilowatt-hour (KWH) will be through this program, locate your Price to Compare on your electric bill.

to estimate your savings per KWH. Multiply that number by your total monthly usage to determine how much you can expect to save each month you use the same amount of electricity.

After you become a participant in this governmental aggregation program, your local electric distribution utility will send you a notice confirming your selection of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as your electric generation provider. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your option to cancel your contract with \_\_\_\_\_\_ within seven days of its postmark. To remain in the County's governmental aggregation program, you don't need to take any action when this letter arrives.

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

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

Sincerely,

County

P.S. To receive these savings, you should not respond. Return the opt-out form only if you <u>do not want</u> to participate in the County'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.
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#### Appendix B --- Customer Service Plan

- A. <u>Member Access</u>:
  - 1. Provider shall ensure Members reasonable access to their service representatives for inquiries, complaints, to discuss charges on Member bills, and transact any other business.
  - 2. Telephone access shall be toll free and afford Members prompt answer times during normal business hours, as follows:

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- 3. Provider shall provide a 24-hour automated telephone message instructing callers to report any service interruptions or electrical emergencies to the EDU with appropriate phone numbers.
- B. <u>Member Complaints</u>:
  - 1. Provider shall investigate Member complaints (including complaints referred by EDU) and provide a status report within five calendar days following receipt of the complaint to:
    - a. The consumer, when the complaint is made directly to Provider; or
    - b. The consumer and The PUCO Staff ("Commission Staff"), when a complaint is referred to Provider by the Commission Staff.
  - 2. If an investigation is not completed within 14 calendar days, Provider shall provide status reports to the consumer and the County, or if applicable, to the consumer, the County, the County consultant and the Commission Staff. Such status reports shall be provided at five-day intervals until the investigation is complete, unless the action that must be taken will require more than five days and the Member has been so notified.
  - 3. Provider shall inform the Member, or the Member, the County, County consultant and Commission Staff, of the results of the investigation, orally or in writing, no later than five calendar days after completion of the investigation. The consumer, the County, the County consultant, or Commission Staff may request the report in writing.
  - 4. If a residential consumer disputes the Provider report, it shall inform the consumer that the Commission Staff is available to help resolve informal complaints. Provider shall provide the consumer with the current address, local/toll free telephone numbers, and TDD/TTY telephone numbers of the Commission's consumer services department.

- 5. Provider shall retain records of Member complaints, investigations, and complaint resolutions for one year after the occurrence of such complaints, and shall provide such records to the Commission Staff within five calendar days of request.
- 6. Provider shall make good faith efforts to resolve disputes.

#### C. Member Billing and Payments

The County will use the Provider, or its designated agent, to provide billing services to each Member for the Competitive Retail Electric Services, with no additional administrative fee. At this time, the EDU will render the billing statement, which should be consistent with all applicable guidelines issued by the PUCO. As this market develops, the County may, at its option and in consultation with the Provider, change this function to the Retail Electric Generation Provider or a billing agency.

#### D. <u>Collections for delinquent accounts:</u>

The EDU's credit and collection policies will apply to Program Members and shall be administered by the EDU. Neither the Governmental Aggregator, nor the Provider, will implement additional policies with respect to credit, deposits and collections. Failure to pay for Competitive Retail Electric Services may result in cancellation of the Member's contract with the Provider, and return the Member to the EDU's Standard Service Offer.

## **Exhibit A-4**

## Automatic Aggregation Disclosure – Opt-out Form



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January 26, 2015

Dear Resident or Small Business Owner:

Wooster Township is providing you the opportunity to participate with other Wooster Township residents and businesses in an opt-out electric aggregation program, with IGS Energy of Dublin, Ohio as your provider.

Under governmental aggregation, the Wayne County Commissioners act on behalf of electric consumers in the Township to negotiate an electric supply contract with an eligible provider. Both the Wayne County Commissioners and eligible retail electric suppliers have to be certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Wayne County Commissioners passed an ordinance to adopt the program after Wooster Township voters approved its implementation on November 6, 2012. The aggregation program for Wooster Township will begin within one to two billing periods following your inclusion as a participant in the Township's program and end with your January 2018 billing period.

Under this aggregation program, eligible residents and businesses in Wooster Township will pay 6.89 cents per kWh through the January 2018 billing period. This offer is lower than any other comparable fixed price offer on the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Apples to Apples Comparison site as of December 18, 2014. IGS Energy's price applies to the generation and transmission portion of your bill. If you are ever unhappy with your service or rate from IGS Energy, you may cancel free of charge at any time and return to AEP at a rate and terms that may or may not be the same as what other AEP customers pay.

You will be automatically enrolled in the Wooster Township Electric Aggregation Program unless you choose to "opt out" - that is, affirmatively choose to not participate. If you want to be excluded from the Wooster Township Electric Aggregation Program, you must return the enclosed "Opt-Out" Form or contact IGS Energy at 1-877-353-0162 by February 26, 2015. If you do not cancel or opt-out at this time, you will be enrolled in the program until it expires with your January 2018 billing period. If you do opt-out, you will continue to receive AEP's standard service offer rate.

Under this aggregation, AEP will continue to maintain the wires system that delivers power to your home or business. You will still contact AEP regarding loss of power service or for any other concerns or issues having to do with your electric service. You will continue to receive a single bill from AEP for your electric service with your lower IGS Energy rate included.

If you have any questions please call IGS Energy at 1-877-353-0162, weekdays, from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. EST. For general information on deregulation in Ohio, you can also visit the Web Site of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (www.PUCO.ohio.gov).

#### Sincerely,

IGS Energy and Wooster Township

P.S. Remember to return the "Opt-Out" form only if you do not want to participate in the Wooster Township Electric Aggregation Program.

If the home or business for which you have received this letter is not located within Wooster Township, you have received this letter in error. Please contact IGS Energy at 1-877-353-0162 to be removed from the aggregation list.

17 digit Service Delivery Identifier Number as it appears on your AEP Electric bill.

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City, State, Zip		
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#### SUPPLY AGREEMENT

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	Term Box
Utility:	Columbus Southern Power ("AEP")
Price Pian	Fixed Rate
Program Price	Subject to the terms and conditions detailed below in the body of the Agreement: For residential and non-mercantile commercial customers the applicable price per KWH shall be 6.89 cents per KWH of electricity consumed.
Term	Services to be rendered pursuant to this Agreement will commence upon the implementation of Wooster Township's community opt-out government aggregation program ("Program") and will continue through the January 2018 billing period
Canceliation Fee	None

The services provided to me by Interstate Gas Supply, Inc. ("IGS Energy") are governed by the terms and conditions stated in this document and the opt-out notification accompanying this document ("Agreement") and will serve as the terms of service for the Wooster Township, Wayne County opt-out government aggregation program ("Program") which I agree to enroll in by not "opting-out" of the Program, as described in the accompanying opt-out notification letter, or exercising my right to rescission under this Agreement.

Term: The Term of the Program will be as stated in the term box located at the top of this Agreement ("Term Box"). IGS Energy will supply the commodity portion of my electricity and AEP will continue to be my Electric Delivery Company ("EDC"). Upon expiration of the opt-out period, if I do not elect to opt-out of the Program, IGS Energy will notify the EDC to transfer electric commodity services to IGS Energy. If I am currently an IGS Energy electric customer, IGS Energy reserves the right to reject or rescind my enrollment in the Program or to require me to pay the applicable cancellation fee, if any, for my existing electric service agreement to be eligible for this Agreement.

Regulatory: Competitive electric retail services ("CRES Program") are subject to ongoing Public Utilities Commission of Ohio ("PUCO") and EDC jurisdiction. I understand that if the CRES Program is terminated or materially altered, this Program may be terminated by me or IGS Energy without penalty. I understand that IGS Energy may terminate or modify this Program due to unforeseen regulatory action that will materially affect the costs of providing electric service to the Program.

Price: The price I will pay for my electric supply charges (which applies to the generation and transmission portion) under the Program is as described in the Term Box ("Program Price"). I am responsible for, and my Program Price does not include, applicable taxes and/or EDC charges, including service and delivery charges, which will be billed by the EDC.

Renewal: If my community's governmental aggregation continues, at least every three years from the establishment of this Program the government aggregator or its supplier shall provide me notice of my right to opt out of the aggregation without penalty. The process for providing me with notice of my right to opt-out shall include a provision for me to return a post card or similar notice to the governmental aggregator or the supplier. For renewals, I will have at least twenty-one days from the post mark date on the written notice to choose to opt out of the Program, and my return post card or notice that is post marked before the opt out deadline has elapsed shall count as timely sent. The notice will follow the procedures established for the initial opt-out notice set forth in this rule and shall prominently disclose to me all changes to the terms and conditions associated with the aggregation. I am entitled to opt-out of the government aggregation program at least every three years from the commencement sent date of the Program, without a penalty. If I am in the Program when the Program is renewed and I do not exercise my right to opt-out, I will be continued in the Program. Nothing in this Agreement guarantees that I am entitled to pricing provided by IGS Energy after the Term of this Agreement expires.

Customer Rescission Period: If I am a new customer to IGS Energy this Agreement may be rescinded by me with no cancellation fee by contacting the EDC in writing or by telephone at the number provided on the confirmation notice within 7 business days from the post-mark date of the confirmation notice sent by the EDC ("Rescission Period"). If I am an existing IGS Energy electric customer I will not receive a confirmation notice from the EDC but, in the event I decide to cancel this Agreement, I will be returned to my previous Agreement with IGS Energy without penalty under this Agreement.

Cancellation: I can cancel this Agreement without cancellation fee by providing notice of not less than 30 days to IGS Energy. Cancellation notices provided after the Rescission Period may result in an additional month(s) of service with IGS Energy at the Program Price, which I agree to pay, as the effective date of all cancellations are subject to EDC guidelines. I understand that if I switch my service to another supplier or back to the EDC an EDC switching fee may apply under the EDC's tariff and if I return to the EDC sales service I may not be served under the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to other customers served the EDC.

Contact and Dispute Resolutions: In the event of a billing dispute or issues regarding volume or metering, I should contact the EDC at the number listed on their bill. For other questions or concerns about pricing, I can contact the IGS Energy choice department by phone weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. ET at 1-877-353-0162, by fax 1-800-584-4839, in writing at P.O. Box 9060, Dublin, OH 43017, or through their web site at www.IGSEnergy.com. Also, I can contact IGS Energy through e-mail at choice@IGSEnergy.com. If my questions or concerns or complaint are not resolved after I have called IGS Energy or my EDC, or for general utility information, residential and business customers may contact the Public Utilities Commission of

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Ohio for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) or for TTY toll free at 1-800-686-1570 (toll free), from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. weekdays, or at www.puco.ohio.gov. The Ohio Consumer's Counsel ("OCC") represents residential utility customers in matters before the PUCO. The OCC can be contacted at 1-877-742-5622 (toll free) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, or at http://www.pickocc.org

Assignment: This Agreement is assignable by IGS Energy without my consent subject only to required regulatory approvals. IGS Energy will use its best efforts to give the EDC and me thirty (30) days written notice prior to any assignment.

Billing: For my convenience I will receive only one bill, which will be issued by the EDC each month and will contain IGS Energy's electric supply charge plus applicable taxes and all of the EDC's delivery and other applicable charges, including any late fees assessed by the EDC. I agree to continue to pay the EDC for the entire electric bill under the EDC's payment terms and conditions. If I fail to pay my bill within the EDC's payment terms, IGS Energy reserves the right to charge a monthly late fee of 1.5% of the amount past due, calculated from the EDC due date on my bill. I understand and agree that although I remit my payments to the EDC, ultimately if I fail to make my payment to the EDC for the electricity commodity component of my bill supplied by IGS Energy, I will owe the unpaid amount to IGS Energy in which case IGS Energy may bill me directly for unpaid balances and seek collection if necessary. Additionally, if I fail to timely pay my IGS Energy charges billed by either the EDC or IGS Energy, IGS Energy may in its sole discretion terminate this Agreement with fourteen (14) days written notice or require a security deposit in order to continue service under this Agreement.

I may request twice within a 12 month period, at no charge, up to 24 months of my payment history for services rendered by IGS Energy. Other than for operation, maintenance, assignment and transfer of my account or, where IGS Energy is performing billing services, or for collections, IGS Energy will not disclose my account number to any other third party without my affirmative written consent or electronic authorization or pursuant to a court or PUCO order and that, other than for credit checking and credit reporting, IGS Energy will not disclose my social security number without my affirmative written consent or pursuant to court order. I authorize IGS Energy to obtain my billing payment and usage history from the EDC.

Moving/Termination: I understand that this contract will automatically terminate, without penalty, if I relocate outside the EDC service territory or if I relocate within the current EDC service territory and the EDC assigns a new account number or Service Delivery Identifier ("SDI").

Environmental Disclosure: For electric customers, the approximate generation resource mix and environmental characteristics of the power supply that will be secured to provide services under this Agreement can be viewed at the IGS website – igsenergy.com. I agree that IGS will make the required quarterly updates to the disclosure statement electronically on the IGS website. IGS will also provide the environmental disclosure statement upon my request.

Eligibility / Limitation of Liability / Jurisdiction: This Agreement is for only residential and non-mercantile commercial customers (see Ohio Revised Code 4928(A)(19)) in the AEP service territory. By entering into this Agreement, I represent and agree that the account(s) served by IGS Energy under this Agreement is (are) Residential or Non-Mercantile Commercial account(s) and that I am not an existing IGS Energy customer. IGS Energy reserves the exclusive right, at any time, to not enroll, or if I have been enrolled, to terminate my service locations that do not meet the preceding criteria and return me to the EDC (or previous IGS Energy product, whichever is applicable) with no penalty to IGS Energy. Also, I represent that I am current on my EDC bill at the time of enrollment with IGS Energy. If IGS Energy determines through the enrollment process with the EDC that I am not current on my EDC bill, IGS Energy can in its sole discretion, 1) void my enrollment without notice and without penalty to IGS Energy or 2) require a security deposit to be paid as a condition of enrollment. Furthermore, participation in the program is subject to the rules of the EDC and customers are sometimes terminated from the residential program either in error or for being in arrears. In such instances, I can contact the EDC to correct the problem and be reinstated in the residential program. Regardless of the reason for termination, in no case will the original term be extended for months that I was unable to participate nor will IGS Energy have any liability for any early termination or for any months that I was unable to participate in the program. IGS Energy assumes no liability or responsibility for losses or consequential damages arising from items associated with the EDC including, but not limited to: operations and maintenance of their system; any interruption of service; termination of service; or deterioration of service, nor does IGS Energy assume responsibility or liability for damages arising from any in-home or building damages and in addition shall not be responsible for any indirect, consequential, special or punitive damages whether arising under contract, tort (including negligence or strict liability) or any other legal theory. The parties agree that if issues relating to this Agreement cannot be resolved through the PUCO as detailed under "Contract and Dispute Resolution" above or if suit is filed, any legal action involving this Agreement shall be brought only in a court of the State of Ohio sitting in Franklin County, Ohio or the United States District Court sitting in Franklin County, Ohio. I submit to the personal jurisdiction in such courts and irrevocably waive any objections that I have or might have in the future to such courts as the proper forum for any and all actions arising under this Agreement. The parties agree that this Agreement shall be interpreted under the laws of the State of Ohio, regardless of Ohio's choice of law provisions.

# Exhibit A-5 Experience

#### **Appendix A-5**

#### **Applicant's Experience:**

The county was carved out of the huge Wayne County in the Northwest Territory which originally took in parts of Ohio and several other states. Wooster, the county seat since 1808, was established by John Bever, William Henry, and Joseph Larwill. Today, Wayne County is the 13th largest county in Ohio, covering over 550 square miles.

Wayne County's rich soil and plentiful water supply have continuously supported a strong agricultural community. Farms and roadside produce stands are still present and thriving in the county today. In the late 1800s, Wayne County began to expand industrially with a presence in the coal mining industry and access to the Pittsburgh, Ft. Wayne, and Chicago Railroad (which later became the Pennsylvania). Today Wayne County is home to many world-renowned businesses such as Wooster Brush Company, Gerstenslager's, LuK USA LLC and The J.M. Smucker Company.

To assist the County in is governmental aggregation efforts, the County is planning on working through the County Commissioners of Ohio (CCAO) process. As part of this process the County will utilize the CCAO program manager Palmer Energy as issue the RFP on behalf of the County and provide information and recommendations to the County regarding the various offers received.

There are currently over 20 different Ohio Counties that are working with the CCAO on their electric governmental aggregation efforts. By working with other counties that participate in the CCAO process, Wayne County will stretch its resources to meet its responsibilities, as stated in the Plan of Operation and Governance.