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February 5, 2018

Public Utilities Commission of Ohio Docketing Division, 11th Floor 180 East Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

RE: Electric Governmental Aggregation Opt-Out Notice for the City of Aurora (Case Number 00-2022-EL-GAG)

Attached please find the Opt-out Aggregation Notice being sent to current and newly eligible residential and commercial accounts in the City of Aurora's Electric Aggregation Program (Ohio Edison portion). Please file these under Case number 00-2022-EL-GAG.

The mailing is currently scheduled to begin on or after February 16, 2018 and the optout period is currently scheduled to end on or after March 9, 2018. FirstEnergy Solutions is the supplier to the program and the local utility company is Ohio Edison.

Independent Energy Consultants, Inc. is providing aggregation consulting services to the city of Aurora and is filing this application on their behalf.

If you have any additional needs or questions, please call me at 330-995-2675 or email me at mburns@naturalgas-electric.com

Sincerely,

Mark R. Burns

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President

Enclosures



Opt-Out Deadline
March 9, 2018

Dear Resident or Small Business,

Welcome to your community's electric aggregation program which 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 use group buying power to purchase electricity from a retail electric generation supplier certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. This program was approved by voters in your community in November 2000.

How You Benefit

By participating in this aggregation program, you will receive exclusive pricing on your electric generation:

		Your Electric Utility	Fixed Price	Term End	Early Termination Fee
	Residential	Ohio Edison	5.12 cents per kWh	April 2021	None
ľ	Small Business	Ohio Edison	5.12 cents per kWh	April 2021	None

FirstEnergy Solutions, a subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corp., has been selected by your community to provide 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.

Same Reliable Service

Your electric utility will continue to maintain the system that delivers power to your home or business – 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. There is no cost for enrollment, you will not be charged a switching fee, and **you do not need to do anything to participate.** If you do not wish to participate, you must opt out as described below.

Enrollment Information

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 become 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.

Opt-Out Information

If you are a new member of the program, your future bills will reflect the electric price listed above 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 below. 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 or 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.

Please refer to the enclosed Terms and Conditions and FAQs for more information. Your community has selected FirstEnergy Solutions to handle questions regarding your community-approved electric aggregation program. 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.

City of Aurora		

OPT-OUT FORM

Sincerely,

Option 1: Do Nothing to Save	OR	Option 2: Return this Opt-Out Form To opt out, this form must be received by FirstEnergy Solutions by the deadline.		Opt-Out Deadline	
You will be enrolled automatically if you do not respond to this letter.	OK			March 9, 2018	
Service Address (City, State, Zip):					
Phone Number:					
Account Number:					
Account Holder Signature:					

☐ By checking this box, I choose to opt out of my community electric governmental aggregation program.

Electric Governmental Aggregation Program FAQs v.1.18

How is my community able to choose a certified electric generation supplier on my behalf?

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 (PUCO). Residents voted to allow the community to contract for an electric generation supplier on their behalf.

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.

Is my price for power fixed, or does it vary?

The information in your letter states if your price is fixed, variable, or variable based on a tiered pricing structure. Your community decided on a fixed pricing structure. Your price will remain the same each month for the length of your Agreement.

How will I know if I can save money under the electric governmental aggregation program?

You'll know you are saving money as long as your price with FirstEnergy Solutions is lower than your utility's Price to Compare (PTC).

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 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 received by the Opt-Out Deadline.

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

Yes, you may leave the aggregation program at any time.

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 PUCO and their current prices are available by calling 1-800-686-PUCO (1-800-686-7826).

If I join the aggregation, will FirstEnergy Solutions continue to budget bill my supplier charges?

Yes. Toledo Edison, The Illuminating Company, Ohio Edison and Duke Energy include supplier charges in the monthly budgeted amount. Budget billing supplier charges is limited in AEP Ohio's and DP&L's service areas. Please call 1-866-636-3749, if you have questions regarding budget billing in your area.

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.

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 still be responsible for delivering power to your home or business, reading your meter and restoring power after an outage.

Who is FirstEnergy Solutions?

FirstEnergy Solutions, a subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corp., 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?

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Contract Expiration: At least every three (3) 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 Agreement.

Dispute Procedures: Contact FES with any questions concerning the terms of service by phone at 1-888-254-6359 (toll-free) M-F 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST or in writing at 341 White Pond Drive, Attn: Contract Administration, Akron, OH 44320. Our web address is www.fes.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 PUCO for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) M-F 8:00 a.m to 5:00 pm EST or at www.puco.ohio.gov. Hearing or speech impaired customers may contact the PUCO via 7-1-1 (Ohio Relay Service). The Ohio Consumers' Counsel ("OCC") represents residential utility customers in matters before the PUCO. The OCC can be contacted at 1-877-742-5622 (toll free) M-F 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST, or at www.puco.ohio.gov.

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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 except for FES' collections and reporting, participating in programs funded by the universal service fund, pursuant to ORC section 4928.54, or assigning a customer's contract to another CRES provider. FES' environmental disclosure statement is available for viewing on our website www.fes.com. FES will make the required quarterly updates to the statement electronically on our website and will also provide the information upon request. FES may assign its rights to another CRES provider, 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. You are 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.



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Dispute Procedures: Contact FES with any questions concerning the terms of service by phone at 1-888-254-6359 (toll-free) M-F 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST or in writing at 341 White Pond Drive, Attn: Contract Administration, Akron, OH 44320. Our web address is www.fes.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 PUCO for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) M-F 8:00 a.m to 5:00 pm EST or at www.puco.ohio.gov. Hearing or speech impaired customers may contact the PUCO via 7-1-1 (Ohio Relay Service). The Ohio Consumers' Counsel ("OCC") represents residential utility customers in matters before the PUCO. The OCC can be contacted at 1-877-742-5622 (toll free) M-F 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST, or at www.puco.ohio.gov.

Force Majeure Termination: FES will make commercially reasonable efforts to provide your electric service, but does not guarantee a continuous supply of electricity. Certain causes and events are out of FES' reasonable control ("Force Majeure Event(s)") and may result in interruptions in service. FES will not be liable for any such interruptions caused by a Force Majeure Event, including but not limited to, acts of God, war, civil disturbance, insurrection, terrorism, fire, flood, earthquake, acts of default of common carriers, strikes, boycotts, unforeseen maintenance, unforeseen shutdowns or deficiencies of sources of supply, inability to access the local distribution utility system, nonperformance by the EDU or other similar circumstances beyond FES' reasonable control.

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 except for FES' collections and reporting, participating in programs funded by the universal service fund, pursuant to ORC section 4928.54, or assigning a customer's contract to another CRES provider. FES' environmental disclosure statement is available for viewing on our website www.fes.com. FES will make the required quarterly updates to the statement electronically on our website and will also provide the information upon request. FES may assign its rights to another CRES provider, 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. You are 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.

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