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Public Utilities Commission of Ohio  
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**RE: Electric Governmental Aggregator Renewal Application Case Number 00-2494-EL-GAG**

The City of Sandusky is pleased to submit its renewal application for electric governmental aggregator. The original of the city's filing is enclosed. The original application was docketed as case number 00-2494-EL-GAG.

Should you have any questions or additional needs, please call me at (330) 730-4338.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Bellish  
President

Enclosure

**Buckeye Energy Brokers, Inc.**

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## RENEWAL APPLICATION FOR ELECTRIC 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

Legal Name City of Sandusky  
Address 240 Columbus Avenue, Sandusky, Ohio 44870  
PUCO Certificate # and Date Certified 01-56E and January 22, 2019  
Telephone # (419) 627-5844 Web site address (if any) ci.sandusky.oh.us

#### 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.

#### 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

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.

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

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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**

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E-mail address tb@buckeyeenergybrokers.com

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Signature of Applicant & Title

Sworn and subscribed before me this 30 day of November 2020  
Month

Megan Stookey  
Signature of official administering oath



MEGAN E. STOOKEY  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
STATE OF OHIO  
Comm. Expires  
10-13-2021

Megan Stookey  
Print Name and Title

Project Coordinator

My commission expires on 10.13.21



# **AFFIDAVIT**

State of Ohio :

Sandusky ss.  
(Town)

County of Sandusky :

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

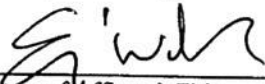
He/She is the City Manager (Office of Affiant) of City of Sandusky (Name of Applicant);

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 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 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.

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.

  
Signature of Affiant & Title

Sworn and subscribed before me this 30 day of November 2020  
Month

  
Signature of official administering oath



Megan Stookey  
Print Name and Title Project Coordinator

My commission expires on 10.13.21

ORDINANCE NO. 01-093

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE FOR THE CITY OF SANDUSKY'S ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM; AND DECLARING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL TAKE IMMEDIATE EFFECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF THE CITY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 4928.20 permits a municipality to aggregate customers within the municipal corporation in order to facilitate "customer choice" in electric power suppliers and to promote lower cost electric utility services within the City of Sandusky; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2000, the electors of the City of Sandusky approved of the City's plan to create an aggregation program for customers located within the municipal boundaries of the City of Sandusky; and

WHEREAS, Ohio Revised Code Section 4829.20(C), requires the legislative authority of a municipality that is providing automatic aggregation of customers subject to customers rights to affirmatively elect to "opt-out" of such an aggregation, to adopt a Plan of Operation and Government; and

WHEREAS, the requirements of Ohio Revised Code Section 4828.20(C) have been satisfied in that two (2) public hearings took place on January 2, 2001, and January 8, 2001, regarding the City's Plan of Operation and Governance; and

WHEREAS, this legislation should be passed under suspension of the rules as an emergency measure and in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter in order to pursue a share of the Marketing Support Generation (MSG) made available by First Energy through the First Energy Transition Plan Settlement, as there is a limited availability of MSG capacity; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary in order to provide for the usual daily operation of the Municipal Departments of the City of Sandusky, Ohio, and to provide for the immediate safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Sandusky, Ohio; the City Commission finds that an emergency now exists and that it is advisable to declare this Ordinance to be an emergency measure which shall take effect immediately upon its adoption; and NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SANDUSKY, OHIO:

Section 1. That the City of Sandusky's Plan of Operation and Governance, a copy of which is attached to this Ordinance, for the implementation and administration of the City of Sandusky's Municipal Aggregation Program pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code Section 4928.20(C), is approved and adopted;

Section 2. If any section, phrase, sentence, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof;

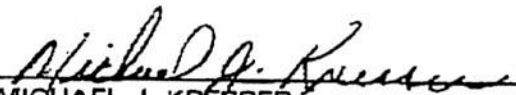
Section 3. That it is found and determined that all formal actions of the City Commission of the City of Sandusky concerning and relating to the adoption of this



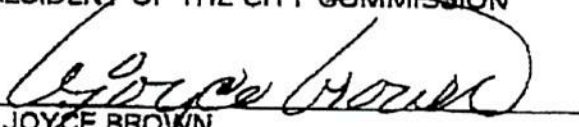
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Ordinance were taken in an open meeting of the City Commission of the City of Sandusky and that all deliberations of this City's Commission and any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements;

Section 4. That for the reasons set forth in the preamble hereto, this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure, which shall take effect in accordance with Section 14 of the City Charter after its adoption and due authentication by the President and the Clerk of this Commission.

  
MICHAEL J. KRESSER  
PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION

ATTEST:

  
B. JOYCE BROWN  
CLERK OF THE CITY COMMISSION

Passed: January 22, 2001

# **ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM CITY OF SANDUSKY, OHIO**

## **PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE**



**Buckeye Energy Brokers, Inc.**

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## 1. Purpose of Electric Aggregation Program

This aggregation plan has been developed in compliance with Ohio Revised Code, Section 4928.20 regarding governmental aggregation of electric service. The City of Sandusky ("the City") Aggregation Program ("Program") seeks to aggregate the retail electric loads of consumers located in the City to negotiate the best rates for the generation supply of electric power. It has the potential to combine residential, commercial and industrial customers into a buying pool that will be attractive to third party suppliers (Suppliers). Participation in the Program is voluntary. Any individual customer (Member) has the opportunity to decline to be a member of the aggregation program and to return to the Ohio Edison standard offer of service or to enter into a power supply contract with any competitive retail electric supplier. This Plan of Operation will not be adopted until two public hearings are held in accordance with section 4928.20 ( C ) of the Ohio Revised Code.

## 2. The Process for Municipal Aggregation

The process of governmental aggregation is set forth in Ohio Revised Code section 4928.20. The section defines opt-in aggregation that may be enacted by a governmental entity. Under the opt-out aggregation provisions, all electric consumers within the City will be automatically included in the Program. However, such customers will be given prior notice entitling them to affirmatively elect not to be part of the Program. These customers can opt-out during a 21-day period after the election. A similar opt-out period will be offered every two years during which Members can leave the City's aggregation pool without paying a switching fee.

All eligible load centers within the City will be automatically enrolled in the aggregation program. However, for commercial and industrial customers with usage over 700,000 kWh per year will not be automatically enrolled. In addition, only accounts with "shoppable" rate codes, as defined by FirstEnergy Corporation may participate in the Program.

The Supplier and Ohio Edison will identify those customers in the City who have not opted out, who have not renewed their special rate contracts, who are not on the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) and who are not on FirstEnergy's "Opt-Off Marketing List." These customers will be transferred to the Supplier selected by the City and enrolled over the period of one month. Ohio Edison shall notify each transferred customer of the transfer with its last bill for standard offer service. Service under the new Supplier shall begin at the start of the billing period following the transfer.

### 3. Terms and Conditions of Enrollment

#### 3.1 Rates

The City shall receive proposals from electric suppliers using a competitive selection process. The request for proposals shall require the suppliers to offer a generation charge for each customer class, load grouping or other appropriate category that is lower than the standard offer from Ohio Edison. Members will not be switched unless a supplier can be found offering prices less than the respective member shopping credits. The prices to be charged to Members in the Program will be set by City Council after negotiations with the selected Supplier. Members were notified of the rates and terms of the Program through the local newspaper, local Cable TV Channels and the City's web site. Opt-out forms will be docketed with the PUCO 10 days prior to mailings.

#### 3.2 Charges

FirstEnergy will continue to bill for Federal Phase I Clean Air Act Compliance, Late Payment, Electric Fuel Component and Monthly Service Fee, etc. These charges apply whether a Member switches or not. Switching generation suppliers will not result in any new charges.

#### 3.3 Switching Fees

At the present time, FirstEnergy is requiring a per customer switching fee for those customers who voluntarily remain in a government aggregation program and are switched to an alternate Supplier. The City's Request for Proposal (RFP) was written to require the selected Supplier to pay for the group's switching fee.

#### 3.4 Terms

The aggregation program is designed to reduce the amount consumers pay for electric energy. The City will not buy and resell the power to the participants of the program. Instead, the City will competitively bid and negotiate a contract with a competitive retail electric supplier to provide firm, all-requirements generation service to the members of the aggregation program.

Customers who meet the following criteria will become members of the aggregation program:

- Are up to date with their bill payment;
- Have not Opted-out of the program;
- Are not on the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP); and
- Have a shoppable rate code.

#### 3.5 Opt-Out Disclosure

The City is using an Opt-out form of Governmental Aggregation pursuant to section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code. The City will disclose to the person owning,



occupying or using the load center that the person will be enrolled automatically in the aggregation program and will remain so enrolled unless the person affirmatively elects by the following procedure not to be so enrolled. Any such person that opts out of the aggregation program pursuant to stated procedure shall default to the standard service offer provided by FirstEnergy until the person chooses an alternative supplier.

Procedure:

1. The City distributed the Opt-Out Form (refer to Exhibit A-4 "Automatic Aggregation Disclosure");
2. Recipients have 21 days to notify the City; and
3. The City will exclude those opting out from the Program.
4. Customers will receive written notification from FirstEnergy Corp. stating that they are about to be switched and have 7 days if they wish to rescind the contract.

#### 4. Policies for Customers Moving Into/Out of the Municipality

Members who have left the Program, or who have moved into the City, may contact the City or its Supplier at any time to obtain enrollment information. There is however, no guarantee that customers opting-in at a later date will receive the same price, terms and conditions as did the initial participants. Suppliers are unable to hold price offerings for an unlimited amount of time, and if the City asks for such a requirement, the price offering received from suppliers will be higher to reflect the greater risk.

Customers may opt out of the Program at no charge within a 21-day period following passage of the ballot. Two public hearings will be held shortly after the ballot to discuss the plan of operation and the process for opting-out. Customers who provide the required opt-out notice will remain customers of Ohio Edison until such time as they select a different generation provider. A similar period in which customers can opt-out of the Program without charge will be offered every two years.

#### 5. Billing Procedures

The City will utilize the coordinated billing services of FirstEnergy and the selected Supplier. We anticipate residential customers will receive a single bill from FirstEnergy that itemizes among other things, the cost of generation provided by the selected supplier. In some instances, dual billing will be used for commercial and industrial group members. In these instances, one bill will be sent from the Supplier and one will be sent from FirstEnergy for their respective services.

#### 6. Procedures for Handling Customer Complaints

Members will have multiple means of addressing complaints. As a general rule, concerns regarding service reliability should be directed to Ohio Edison or CEI as appropriate, questions regarding the Program administration should go to the City, and any unresolved disputes should

be directed to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and/or The Ohio Consumers Council. Listed below is a table of toll-free numbers for members to call for assistance.

Nature of Complaint	Contact	Phone Number
Power interruptions or outages	Ohio Edison/CEI	1-800-633-4766/1-800-589-3101
Power turn on/off	Ohio Edison/CEI	1-800-633-4766/1-800-589-3101
Billing disputes	Ohio Edison/CEI	1-800-633-4766/1-800-589-3101
Joining/Leaving Program	Supplier	
Program Regulatory Questions	Buckeye Energy Brokers	1-866-302-2237
Unresolved Disputes	Public Utilities Commission	1-800-686-7826
Unresolved Disputes	Ohio Consumers Council	1-877-742-5622

## 7. Rights and Responsibilities of Program Members

### 7.1 Universal Access to Aggregation Program

"Universal access" is a term derived from the traditional regulated utility environment in which all customers desiring service receive that service. For the purposes of this Program this will mean that all existing customers within the City borders shall be eligible for service from the contracted supplier under the terms and conditions of the supply contract. It is a goal of the Program to provide the basis for aggregation of all Members on a non-discriminatory basis.

Service under the Program shall include all customer classes in adherence with universal service principles and requirements, and the traditional non-discriminatory practices of local government. Contracts with all Suppliers shall contain provisions to maintain these principles and equitable treatment of all customer classes.

Existing customers in the City currently receiving electric power through an Affinity Group offer or other similar mechanism will become members of the Program. Those members wishing to rejoin their group will need to Opt-out of the Program. Residents who are currently PIPP customers are not eligible to become Program Members.

### 7.2 Dispute Resolution

Members should make all efforts to address complaints or concerns in accordance with the guidance provided in section 6.0 "Procedures for Handling Customer Complaints" of this plan. If Members are unable to resolve their concerns through these channels, they may contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (1-800-686-7826) or the Ohio Consumers Council (1-877-742-5622) for additional assistance.

### 7.3 Bill Payment

Members are required to remit and comply with the payment terms of FirstEnergy and/or their supplier if dual billing is used. This Program will not be responsible for late or no payment on the part of any of its members. Collection and credit procedures remain the responsibility of FirstEnergy, the selected Supplier and the individual Member.

### 7.4 Leaving the Aggregation Program



Members who wish to opt-out of the program may do so:

1. During the program's initial 21-day opt-out period;
2. Every two years without paying a switching fee; and
3. At any other time, but may be required to pay a switching fee

## 8. Reliability of Power Supply

The Program will only effect the generation source of power. Ohio Edison will continue to deliver power through their transmission and distribution systems. Responsibility for maintaining system reliability continues to rest with the local utility. If Members have service reliability problems they should contact Ohio Edison for repairs. The PUCO has established "Minimum Reliability Standards" for all utilities operating distribution systems in Ohio. Customer outages, duration of outages, interruptions, etc., will be monitored to ensure reliability remains at satisfactory levels.

In addition to maintaining the "wires" system, Ohio Edison is required to be the "Provider of Last Resort." This means, should the selected supplier fail for any reason to deliver any or all of the electricity needed to serve the Members needs, Ohio Edison will immediately provide for the shortfall. Ohio Edison would then bill the supplier for the power provided on their behalf. The Members would incur no additional cost.

## 9. Supplier Qualification Selection Criteria

Only Suppliers meeting strict criteria will be considered. The selected Supplier will need own generating facilities or be directly affiliated with a utility that does. Suppliers will need to be certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and registered with FirstEnergy Corporation to do business in their service territory. Both the certification and registration ensure that Suppliers are managerially, technically, and financially competent to perform the services they offer.

The successful bidder shall also demonstrate its creditworthiness by possessing an investment grade long-term bond ratings from at least two of the following rating agencies:

Standard & Poors	BBB or Higher
Moody's Investors' Services	Baa3 or Higher

## 10. Funding the Aggregation Program

The primary expenses of the Program are expected to be publication of notices, written notification to customers, switching fees due to Ohio Edison, regulatory fees and registration with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Except, possibly, for the initial notification of customers, these expenses and administrative fees will be the responsibility of the selected Supplier.

## 11. Maintenance and Reporting of the Aggregation Program

The City will rely on its consultant Buckeye Energy Brokers, Inc. to monitor and report on a



quarterly basis. Buckeye Energy will track the performance of the selected Supplier, report on estimated savings and provide an analysis of current and future market conditions. Reports will be provided to the City Council. Members wishing to view the reports should make arrangements to do so by contacting the City Administration during normal working hours.

## 12. Professional Assistance

Due to the complexity of deregulation of the electric utility industry, the City will consult with and obtain the necessary expertise to represent and administer the Program. The City has contracted with Buckeye Energy Brokers, Inc. to provide energy consulting services.

## Certification Application For Electric Governmental Aggregators

### **Exhibit A-4 "Automatic Aggregation Disclosure"**

The Opt-out Notice will be drafted in conjunction with the City of Sandusky, the selected Program Supplier and Buckeye Energy Brokers. Buckeye Energy Brokers will also verify the accuracy of the list by using several means, such as, maps, 9-1-1 records, City of Sandusky records, electric service lists, etc. Members will have a 21-day period to opt-out by returning a post card to the selected supplier or calling their toll-free number.

The City of Sandusky will provide a letter to the supplier authorizing the supplier to obtain the list of Eligible Customers from the Local Utility and will be relying on the Local Utility to provide an accurate list of eligible customers. Buckeye Energy Brokers and the selected Program Supplier will use that list and remove customer records that have returned opt-out forms or are PIPP customers or have non-"shoppable" rate codes. This data would be the final basis for the City of Sandusky's pool of customers and would be turned over to the selected Program Supplier to facilitate switching.

The Local Utility shall notify each affected Member of the pending transfer through a 7- day right of rescission letter. Service under the new Program Supplier shall begin at the start of the billing period following the transfer. Service under the Program shall include all customer classes in adherence with universal service principles and requirements, and the traditional non-discriminatory practices of local government. Contracts with all Suppliers shall contain provisions to maintain these principles and equitable treatment of all customer classes.

Customers who meet the following criteria will become members of the aggregation program:

- Are up to date with their bill payment;
- Have not opted-out of the program;
- Have generation and distribution service with the Local Utility;
- Are offered pricing for their rate code;
- Have less than 400kW peak demand in last 12 months;
- Have a "shoppable" rate code defined by the Local Utility;
- Have not exercised their right of rescission;
- Are not on the Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP); and
- New Members may opt-in to the Program upon contract expiration with an alternate supplier. These Members will need to contact the Program Supplier for enrollment information. The Program Supplier has a right of refusal in accordance with Section 8 of this plan.

A draft Opt-out Notice is shown on the next page. The final Opt-out Notice will include the items enumerated in Administrative Code 4901:1-21-17 Opt-out Disclosure Requirements as shown in Exhibit A-4.



[MONTH] XX, 20XX

Dear City of [INSERT] Resident,

The City of [INSERT] is providing you the opportunity to join with other residents to save money on the electricity you use. Savings are possible through a concept called governmental aggregation, where City 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. [INSERT] voters approved this program in November 20XX.

There is no cost for enrollment and you will not be charged a switching fee. You do not need to do anything to participate. The City researched options for competitive electricity pricing for you. We have again chosen [SUPPLIER] Corp., a subsidiary of [SUPPLIER] Corp., to provide you with electric generation – or the competitive portion of your electric bill – through [MONTH] 20XX.

As a member of this aggregation, you are guaranteed to save X percent off your Price to Compare in 20XX, X percent off in 20XX, X percent off in 20XX and X percent off [MONTH] through [MONTH] 20XX. Your Price to Compare consists of bypassable generation and transmission related components, which are the charges associated with the costs for purchased power and to deliver the power 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. Divide your Price to Compare by 100, then multiply by the percentage discounts listed above by year 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.

You will see your electric savings from [SUPPLIER] 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 City of [INSERT]'s electric governmental aggregation program. If you wish to be excluded from the City's electric governmental aggregation program and remain a full-service customer of your local electric utility – [LOCAL UTILITY] – you have until [MONTH] X, 20XX to return the attached "opt-out" form. If you do not opt out at this time, 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 a \$25 cancellation fee from [SUPPLIER].

After you become a participant in this governmental aggregation program, [LOCAL UTILITY] will send you a letter confirming your selection of [SUPPLIER] as your electric generation provider. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your option to cancel your contract with [SUPPLIER] within seven days of its postmark. To remain in the City's governmental aggregation program, you don't need to take any action when this letter arrives.

In Ohio's electric environment, [LOCAL UTILITY] will continue to maintain the system that transmits and delivers power to your home – no new poles or wires will be built by [SUPPLIER]. You will continue to receive a single, easy-to-read bill from your local electric utility with your [SUPPLIER] charges included. The only thing you'll notice is savings.

If you have any questions, please call [SUPPLIER] toll-free at 1-XXX-XXX-XXXX, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please do not call the City of [INSERT] with aggregation program questions.

Sincerely,

City of [INSERT]

*P.S. Return the opt-out form only if you do not want to participate in the City's electric governmental aggregation program.*

**OPT-OUT FORM – CITY OF [INSERT] RESIDENTAL ELECTRIC GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

By returning this signed form, you will be excluded from the opportunity to join with other residents in the City of [INSERT]'s Electric Governmental Aggregation Program.

I wish to opt out of the City of [INSERT] Electric Governmental Aggregation Program.

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(Check box to opt out)

Service address (City, state and zip):

Phone number:

Account holder's signature:

Date:

Mail by [MONTH] XX, 20XX to: City of [INSERT] Electric Governmental Aggregation Program, Address, City, State Zip



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