

### Dear Resident or Small Business,

Welcome to your community's electric aggregation program which provides you with exclusive pricing on the electric generation portion of your electric bill. This is 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 2016.

### **How You Benefit**

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

	Your Electric Utility	Fixed Price	Term End	Early Termination Fee
Residential	AEP - Ohio Power	4.38 cents per kWh	May 2023	None
Small Business	AEP - Ohio Power	4.38 cents per kWh	May 2023	None

Energy Harbor 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 continue the benefits of the program.

### 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 Energy Harbor. You will continue to receive a single, easy-to-read bill from your local electric utility with your Energy Harbor charges included. There is no cost for enrollment, you will not be charged a switching fee, and **you do not need to do anything to participate.** 

### **Enrollment Information**

If you are not currently receiving electric generation from Energy Harbor, your electric utility will send you a letter confirming your selection of Energy Harbor as your electric generation provider. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your option to cancel your contract with Energy Harbor 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 Energy Harbor 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 your community 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 Energy Harbor to handle questions regarding your community-approved electric aggregation program. If you have any questions, please call Energy Harbor toll-free at 1-866-636-3749, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Sincerely,

Paulding County

### Paulding County OPT-OUT FORM

<b>Option 1: Do Nothing to Join</b>		
You will be enrolled automatically if you		
do not respond to this letter.		

OR Option 2: Return this Opt-Out Form To opt out, this form must be received by Energy Harbor by the deadline. Opt-Out Deadline

July 6, 2020

Service Address (City, State, Zip): \_\_\_\_

Phone Number:

Account Number:

Account Holder Signature: \_

Return opt-out form to: Community Electric Aggregation Program c/o Energy Harbor, 168 E Market St, Akron, Ohio 44308

# 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 by simply not returning the opt-out form.

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

With a fixed price, the price you will receive each month does not change.

# 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 Energy Harbor 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 Energy Harbor is coming to an end, and this is your opportunity to either opt out or continue the benefits of the program.

### 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 Energy Harbor, 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 Energy Harbor.

### 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 Energy Harbor continue or

allow me to begin to budget bill my supplier charges? For customers in Toledo Edison, The Illuminating Company, Ohio Edison and Duke Energy your utility includes supplier charges in the monthly budgeted amount. No action is necessary to continue that service. However, budget billing supplier charges are limited in AEP Ohio's and DP&L's service areas and Energy Harbor will not automatically budget the generation portion of your electric bill. If you are currently on a budget billing program with your utility and have at least 10 months of usage at your service address, please call 1-866-636-3749, to determine if a budget billing offer through Energy Harbor is available in your community.

# 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 Energy Harbor?

Energy Harbor is a fully integrated retail energy provider and independent power producer capable of generating substantial carbon-free energy. The company proudly serves nearly one million residential, 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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Government Aggregation – Electric Terms and Conditions		
Product	Fixed Price	
Electric Distribution Utility ("EDU")	Ohio Power Company	
Price and Length of Agreement	4.38 ¢/kWh through your May 2023 meter read	
Cancellation/Termination Fee	None	

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

**Definitions:** Generation Charge – Charge for the production of electricity. Transmission Charge – Charge for moving high voltage electricity from a generation facility to the distribution lines of the EDU. Distribution Service – Basic service for delivering electricity over a distribution system to a customer from the transmission system.

**Right of Rescission**: If you do not opt-out or you give your affirmative consent and are enrolled to receive generation service from Energy Harbor, your EDU will send you a confirmation letter. You have the right to rescind your enrollment within seven (7) calendar days following the postmark date of the confirmation letter by contacting the EDU by telephone or in writing as described in the letter. The Right of Rescission only applies when a customer switches to a generation supplier and not on renewal enrollments. Your EDU will not send a confirmation notice upon any renewal of this Agreement. Should you choose to opt-out of your community's program, you will be served by your EDU's standard service offer established pursuant to section 4928.14 of the Ohio Revised Code ("ORC") unless you choose an alternate supplier of electricity.

Eligibility: Only eligible residential and small commercial customer accounts not enrolled in the Percentage of Income Plan Program ("PIPP") may enroll in this offer from Energy Harbor. Net-metered customers are not eligible for this offer. Energy Harbor reserves the right to refuse enrollment to any customer with an outstanding balance.

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