



July 17th, 2020

Docketing Division Public Utilities Commission of Ohio 180 East Broad St. Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793

Case No. 18-1372-EL-GAG

RE: Opt out Letter(s)- — Springfield Township, Richland County, OH

Springfield Township is pleased to submit its final copy of Opt-out letter(s) to be sent to all eligible customers on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with the response deadline of August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

Material provided for review:

Residential and Business Opt-out letter

Should you have any questions or additional needs, please call me at (877) 861.2772.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

Opt-Out Deadline
August 21, 2020

## **Springfield Township**

Community Electric Aggregation Notification

## 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 May 2010.

#### **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	4.77 cents per kWh	May 2022	None
Small Business	AEP - Ohio Power	4.77 cents per kWh	May 2022	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.

#### **Opt-Out Information**

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 or you may contact Energy Harbor toll-free at 1-866-636-3749 to opt-out over the phone. You may choose to leave the program at any time, without penalty, and will NOT be charged cancellation fee.

#### **Enrollment Information**

Following the opt-out deadline, 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. 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. 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. If you are currently enrolled in the community aggregation program, you will not receive a letter from your electric utility. As required by law, this letter from your utility will inform you of your option to rescind your enrollment with Energy Harbor within seven days of its postmark. To become a member of the community's electric governmental aggregation program, you don't ne'ed to take any action when this letter arrives.

Please refer to the enclosed Terms and Conditions and FAQs for more information. Your community officials have selected Energy Harbor to handle all questions regarding your community-approved electric aggregation program. If you have any questions or wish to opt out, please call to Energy Harbor toll-free at 1-866-636-3749, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm.

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## Springfield Township OPT-OUT FORM

Option 1: Do Nothing to Join You will be automatically enrolled if you do not respond to this letter.	OR	Option 2: Return this Opt-Out Form To opt out, return this form or call Energy Harbor by the opt-out deadline.	Opt-Out Deadline	
			August 21, 2020	
service Address (city, state, ZIP):				
Service Address (City, State, Zip):Phone Number:Account Number:				

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

## Community Electric Aggregation Program FAQs v.3.20

# 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. Your community has selected Energy Harbor to provide you with exclusive pricing on your electric generation.

#### Who is Energy Harbor?

Energy Harbor, headquartered in Akron, Ohio 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. Yours is one of over 200 communities who have chosen Energy Harbor to provide electric aggregation programs.

# 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 exclusive generation pricing under this program. You may choose to remain in the aggregation group by simply not opting out of the program.

#### 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. Your previous contract term 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 attached to this notification or calling Energy Harbor to opt-out by the Opt-Out Deadline, you will not be enrolled with Energy Harbor, your community's selected electric generation supplier, and you will not receive the discount.

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

Yes, if you choose not to return the opt out form, you may contact Energy Harbor at 1-866-636-3749 to opt out over the phone. Whichever method you chose, you must do so by the Opt-Out Deadline on the front of this notification.

## What happens if I do not opt-out?

If you do not opt by the Opt-Out Deadline, you will be included in your community's aggregation program.

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

Yes, you may leave the aggregation program at any time without penalty. Following the opt out deadline, you must contact Energy Harbor via the phone to cancel your contract and ask to opt out of future aggregation mailings to your community for the remainder of the contracted term as stated in this letter. You will not be charged an early termination or cancellation fee if you chose to leave the program at later date for any reason.

# 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? Yes. Toledo Edison, The Illuminating Company, Ohio Edison and Duke Energy include supplier charges in the monthly budgeted amount. Budget billing supplier charges are limited in AEP Ohio's and DP&L's service areas. If you are currently on a budget billing program with AEP or DPL and have at least 10 months of usage at your service address, please call 1-866-636-3749, to opt-in to your community's budget billing offer through Energy Harbor.

# 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.

#### 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	4.77 ¢/kWh through your May 2022 meter read		
Cancellation/Termination Fee	None		

These Terms and Conditions apply to you because you are enrolling for electric generation service with Energy Harbor LLC ("Energy Harbor") through either (a) affirmative consent or (b) not opting out of your community electric aggregation program. If you enroll by affirmative consent, these Terms and Conditions and the enrollment information on the website are your Agreement ("Agreement"). If you choose to remain in the community aggregation program by not "opting-out" or exercising the right of rescission, these Terms and Conditions and your opt-out notification are your Agreement. Please keep a copy of this Agreement for your records.

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**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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Length of Agreement: As a part of your community's program, your Retail Electric Service from Energy Harbor will commence with the next available meter reading and after processing of the enrollment by your EDU and continue through the term indicated in the table above. The program may be terminated prior to the term pursuant to the terms of the master agreement between Energy Harbor and your community for the aggregation program. Should the program be terminated, you will be returned to your EDU's standard service offer or its successor. In the event that (1) the PUCO approves or implements a phase-in credit for generation and/or transmission charges of the EDU or takes any other action which affects the PTC or otherwise does not allow the EDU to reflect the full cost to procure generation and transmission in the PTC or other regulatory action; or (2) there is any change in any statute, rule, regulation, order, law, or tariff promulgated by any court, governmental authority, utility, Independent System Operator ("ISO"), Regional Transmission Organization ("RTO") or other service provider, or any change in operating procedure, which alters to the detriment of Energy Harbor its costs to perform under this Agreement, you may receive a notification from Energy Harbor. This notification will include a description of one or more of the situations described above. Energy Harbor may offer you new Terms and Conditions. You must indicate your affirmative consent to the new Terms and Conditions as specified in the notices. If you do not contact Energy Harbor to accept the new terms, this Agreement will terminate on the date specified in the notices, and you may be returned to your EDU for Retail Electric Service. Alternatively, Energy Harbor may decide to terminate this Agreement, and you will receive prior written notice of the termination, after which you may be returned to your EDU for Retail Electric Service. Whether Energy Harbor charges through the date you are returned to your EDU or switched to another CRES provi

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in accordance with the EDU tariff. If you have 12 months of billing history and you are enrolled in budget billing with the EDU, you are eligible to enroll in a budget billing program once per year, where available. At the end of the contract term, you are responsible for payment of any outstanding balance upon final contract true up. Energy Harbor reserves the right to adjust your monthly budget amount prior to final contract true up. If you enroll in budget billing, then choose not to be in the program or if you become two consecutive monthly payments overdue, you will be removed from budget billing, your account will be reconciled, and you will be billed for the outstanding budget balance on your next billing cycle. Budget billing exclusive offers are not available for all aggregation programs and you will not be automatically enrolled in an Energy Harbor budget billing exclusive offer unless explicitly stated in the opt-out notification materials you receive as part of the program. If you meet the eligibility requirements, contact Energy Harbor to determine if an exclusive budget billing offer exists for your community, otherwise, your EDU may be responsible for maintaining your budget billing service.

**Penalties, Fees and Exceptions:** If you do not pay the full amount owed Energy Harbor by the due date of the bill, Energy Harbor reserves the right to charge a 1.5% per month late payment fee.

Cancellation/Termination Provisions: You may terminate this Agreement at any time without penalty. Customer and Energy Harbor both agree that the following will constitute force majeure events under this Agreement and that Energy Harbor shall have the right to terminate or modify the agreement without liability if: (1) the Electric Security Plan (ESP), Market Rate Offer (MRO) and/or Competitive Bid Process (CBP), or other generation procurement process results in a Price to Compare ("PTC") that is equal to or less than the comparable annualized generation and transmission rates and riders in effect as of the effective date of this Agreement, or (2) the PUCO approves or implements a phase-in credit for generation and/or transmission charges of the EDU or takes any other action which affects the PTC or otherwise does not allow the EDU to reflect the full cost to procure generation and transmission in the PTC or other regulatory action. In the event that the program is terminated, you will be returned to your EDU's standard service offer. Upon termination with Energy Harbor and return to standard service offer with your EDU, you may not be served under the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to other EDU customers.

Customer Consent and Information Release Authorization: By choosing not to opt-out of your community's aggregation program, or to affirmatively join it, you understand and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement with Energy Harbor. You authorize Energy Harbor to obtain information from the EDU that includes, but is not limited to: billing history, payment history, historical and future electricity usage, meter readings, and characteristics of electricity service. Energy Harbor reserves the right to determine if your credit standing is satisfactory before accepting your enrollment request. This Agreement shall be considered executed by Energy Harbor following acceptance of your enrollment request by Energy Harbor, the end of the seven (7) day rescission period, and subsequent acceptance of the enrollment by your EDU.

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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 your electric supply upon termination of this Agreement.

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



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Opt-Out Deadline
August 21, 2020

## **Springfield Township**

**Community Electric Aggregation Notification** 

#### Dear Resident,

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 May 2010.

#### **How You Benefit**

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

general control of the control of th	Your Electric Utility	Fixed Price	Term End	Early Termination Fee
Residential	AEP - Ohio Power	4.77 cents per kWh	May 2022	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 – 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. If you are on a budget billing plan with your electric utility, and meet Energy Harbor's minimum eligibility requirements, you will continue to receive that service<sup>1</sup>.

#### **Opt-Out Information**

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 or you may contact Energy Harbor toll-free at 1-866-636-3749 to opt-out over the phone. You may choose to leave the program at any time, without penalty, and will NOT be charged cancellation fee.

#### **Enrollment Information**

Following the opt-out deadline, 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. 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. 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. If you are currently enrolled in the community aggregation program, you will not receive a letter from your electric utility. As required by law, this letter from your utility will inform you of your option to rescind your enrollment 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.

Please refer to the enclosed Terms and Conditions and FAQs for more information. Your community officials have selected Energy Harbor to handle all /questions regarding your community-approved electric aggregation program. If you have any questions or wish to opt out, please call Energy Harbor toll-free at 1-866-636-3749, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sincerely,			
Springfield Township			
Springfield Township OPT-OUT FORI			
Option 1: Do Nothing to Join You will be enrolled automatically if you do not respond to this letter.	OR	Option 2: Return this Opt-Out Form To opt out, return this form or call Energy Harbor by the opt-out deadline.	Opt-Out Deadline August 21, 2020
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.

## Community Electric Aggregation Program FAQs v.3.20

# 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. Your community has selected Energy Harbor to provide you with exclusive pricing on your electric generation.

#### Who is Energy Harbor?

Energy Harbor, headquartered in Akron, Ohio 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. Yours is one of over 200 communities who have chosen Energy Harbor to provide electric aggregation programs.

## 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 exclusive generation pricing under this program. You may choose to remain in the aggregation group by simply not opting out of the program.

#### 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. Your previous contract term 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 attached to this notification or calling Energy Harbor to opt-out by the Opt-Out Deadline, you will not be enrolled with Energy Harbor, your community's selected electric generation supplier, and you will not receive the discount.

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

Yes, if you choose not to return the opt out form, you may contact Energy Harbor at 1-866-636-3749 to opt out over the

phone. Whichever method you chose, you must do so by the Opt-Out Deadline on the front of this notification.

#### What happens if I do not opt-out?

If you do not opt by the Opt-Out Deadline, you will be included in your community's aggregation program.

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

Yes, you may leave the aggregation program at any time without penalty. Following the opt out deadline, you must contact Energy Harbor via the phone to cancel your contract and ask to opt out of future aggregation mailings to your community for the remainder of the contracted term as stated in this letter. You will not be charged an early termination or cancellation fee if you chose to leave the program at later date for any reason.

## 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).

# <sup>1</sup>If I join the aggregation, will Energy Harbor continue to budget bill my supplier charges?

Yes. Budget billing will continue to be provided to eligible residents who currently have budget billing with their utility and at least 10 months of historical usage. If you have less than 10 months of usage, you will still receive the community exclusive pricing listed herein but will be ineligible for the budget billing service. Under budget billing service, Energy Harbor will calculate your budgeted amount based on your average electric usage over the prior months. Periodically, Energy Harbor may examine your budget and may adjust to more closely match your usage from the previous year. Energy Harbor will conduct a final trueup at the end of the contract - or upon your leaving the program should you 'opt-out' before the Program Term End - to reconcile between the actual amount of electricity used and the amount paid under the plan. The new budget amount may vary from the level of your current budget payment. You will continue to receive a levelized amount from your utility for delivery service and may experience true ups with your utility during the contract. 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

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

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

If you have any questions or wish to opt out, please call 1-866-636-3749, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 5 pm.



Government Aggregation – Electric Terms and Conditions		
Product	Fixed Price	
Electric Distribution Utility ("EDU")	Ohio Power Company	
Price and Length of Agreement	4.77 ¢/kWh through your May 2022 meter read	
Cancellation/Termination Fee	None	

These Terms and Conditions apply to you because you are enrolling for electric generation service with Energy Harbor LLC ("Energy Harbor") through either (a) affirmative consent or (b) not opting out of your community electric aggregation program. If you enroll by affirmative consent, these Terms and Conditions and the enrollment information on the website are your Agreement ("Agreement"). If you choose to remain in the community aggregation program by not "opting-out" or exercising the right of rescission, these Terms and Conditions and your opt-out notification are your Agreement. Please keep a copy of this Agreement for your records.

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.

Basic Service Prices: During the term of this Agreement, you agree to pay Energy Harbor a price for combined Generation and Generation Related Charges ("Retail Electric Service"), specified in the table above. Your Price to Compare ("PTC") consists of bypassable transmission, generation and transmission and generation related components, which are charges associated with the costs of purchased power and the cost to deliver the power through the transmission system. These are the charges that you would avoid for that billing period when you switch to Energy Harbor. If your product in the table above is a % Off PTC product, your monthly price per kWh will vary because the EDU's PTC may change based on any changes made by the EDU in its calculations. In addition to Energy Harbor 's charges, you will be charged by your EDU for distribution and various other charges. Your price may also include a fee assessed by a broker or agent representing your community.

Length of Agreement: As a part of your community's program, your Retail Electric Service from Energy Harbor will commence with the next available meter reading and after processing of the enrollment by your EDU and continue through the term indicated in the table above. The program may be terminated prior to the term pursuant to the terms of the master agreement between Energy Harbor and your community for the aggregation program. Should the program be terminated, you will be returned to your EDU's standard service offer or its successor. In the event that (1) the PUCO approves or implements a phase-in credit for generation and/or transmission charges of the EDU or takes any other action which affects the PTC or otherwise does not allow the EDU to reflect the full cost to procure generation and transmission in the PTC or other regulatory action; or (2) there is any change in any statute, rule, regulation, order, law, or tariff promulgated by any court, governmental authority, utility, Independent System Operator ("ISO"), Regional Transmission Organization ("RTO") or other service provider, or any change in operating procedure, which alters to the detriment of Energy Harbor its costs to perform under this Agreement, you may receive a notification from Energy Harbor. This notification will include a description of one or more of the situations described above. Energy Harbor may offer you new Terms and Conditions. You must indicate your affirmative consent to the new Terms and Conditions as specified in the notices. If you do not contact Energy Harbor to accept the new terms, this Agreement will terminate on the date specified in the notices, and you may be returned to your EDU for Retail Electric Service. Alternatively, Energy Harbor may Service. Whether Energy Harbor offers you new terms or terminates this Agreement under this provision, you will not be responsible for any cancellation/termination fee. You must still pay all Energy Harbor charges through the date you are returned to your EDU or switched to anoth

Billing: You will receive a consolidated bill monthly from your EDU for both your Energy Harbor and EDU charges. If you do not pay your bill by the due date, Energy Harbor may cancel this Agreement after giving you a minimum of fourteen (14) days written notice. Upon cancellation you will be returned to your EDU as a customer. You will remain responsible to pay Energy Harbor for any electricity used before this Agreement is cancelled, as well as any late payment charges, if applicable. Your EDU may charge you switching fees. Energy Harbor reserves the right to convert you from consolidated billing to dual billing if such a conversion will facilitate more timely billing, collections, and/or payment. Furthermore, your failure to pay EDU charges may result in your electric service being disconnected



in accordance with the EDU tariff. If you have 12 months of billing history and you are enrolled in budget billing with the EDU, you are eligible to enroll in a budget billing program once per year, where available. At the end of the contract term, you are responsible for payment of any outstanding balance upon final contract true up. Energy Harbor reserves the right to adjust your monthly budget amount prior to final contract true up. If you enroll in budget billing, then choose not to be in the program or if you become two consecutive monthly payments overdue, you will be removed from budget billing, your account will be reconciled, and you will be billed for the outstanding budget balance on your next billing cycle. Budget billing exclusive offers are not available for all aggregation programs and you will not be automatically enrolled in an Energy Harbor budget billing exclusive offer unless explicitly stated in the opt-out notification materials you receive as part of the program. If you meet the eligibility requirements, contact Energy Harbor to determine if an exclusive budget billing offer exists for your community, otherwise, your EDU may be responsible for maintaining your budget billing service.

**Penalties, Fees and Exceptions:** If you do not pay the full amount owed Energy Harbor by the due date of the bill, Energy Harbor reserves the right to charge a 1.5% per month late payment fee.

Cancellation/Termination Provisions: You may terminate this Agreement at any time without penalty. Customer and Energy Harbor both agree that the following will constitute force majeure events under this Agreement and that Energy Harbor shall have the right to terminate or modify the agreement without liability if: (1) the Electric Security Plan (ESP), Market Rate Offer (MRO) and/or Competitive Bid Process (CBP), or other generation procurement process results in a Price to Compare ("PTC") that is equal to or less than the comparable annualized generation and transmission rates and riders in effect as of the effective date of this Agreement, or (2) the PUCO approves or implements a phase-in credit for generation and/or transmission charges of the EDU or takes any other action which affects the PTC or otherwise does not allow the EDU to reflect the full cost to procure generation and transmission in the PTC or other regulatory action. In the event that the program is terminated, you will be returned to your EDU's standard service offer. Upon termination with Energy Harbor and return to standard service offer with your EDU, you may not be served under the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to other EDU customers.

Customer Consent and Information Release Authorization: By choosing not to opt-out of your community's aggregation program, or to affirmatively join it, you understand and agree to the terms and conditions of this Agreement with Energy Harbor. You authorize Energy Harbor to obtain information from the EDU that includes, but is not limited to: billing history, payment history, historical and future electricity usage, meter readings, and characteristics of electricity service. Energy Harbor reserves the right to determine if your credit standing is satisfactory before accepting your enrollment request. This Agreement shall be considered executed by Energy Harbor following acceptance of your enrollment request by Energy Harbor, the end of the seven (7) day rescission period, and subsequent acceptance of the enrollment by your EDU.

**Customer Consent to Communications:** By participating in your community's aggregation program, you agree to receive pre-recorded/artificial voice messages calls and/or use of an automatic dialing device, text messages and/or emails from Energy Harbor or its agents/assigns at any phone number or email address. You agree to be responsible for any charges you may receive on that number, including standard telephone, SMS or text message fees. You may revoke this express consent at any time by calling us at 1-866-636-3749. Such revocation has no bearing on your ability to contract with Energy Harbor.

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 your electric supply upon termination of this Agreement.

**Dispute Procedures:** Contact Energy Harbor with any questions concerning the terms of service by phone at 1-866-636-3749 (toll-free) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST weekdays, or in writing at Energy Harbor, 168 E Market St, Akron, OH 44308. Our web address is <a href="https://www.energyharbor.com">www.energyharbor.com</a>. If your complaint is not resolved after you have called your electric supplier and/or your electric utility, or for general utility information, residential and business customers may contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST weekdays, or at <a href="http://www.puco.ohio.gov">http://www.puco.ohio.gov</a>. 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) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, or at <a href="http://www.pickocc.org">http://www.pickocc.org</a>.

Miscellaneous: You have the right to request from Energy Harbor, twice within a twelve (12) month period, up to twenty-four (24) months of payment history, without charge. Energy Harbor is prohibited from disclosing a Customer's Social Security number and/or account number(s) without the Customer's written consent except for Energy Harbor's collections and reporting, participating in programs funded by the universal service fund, pursuant to section 4928.52 of the Revised Code, or assigning a customer's contract to another CRES provider. Energy Harbor's environmental disclosure statement is available for viewing on our website <a href="https://www.energyharbor.com/disclosure-statements">www.energyharbor.com/disclosure-statements</a>. You agree that Energy Harbor will make the required annual and quarterly updates to the environmental disclosure statement electronically on our website. Energy Harbor will also provide the information upon request. Energy Harbor may assign its rights to another, including any successor, in accordance with the rules and regulations of the PUCO. Energy Harbor assumes no responsibility or liability for the following items that are the responsibility of the EDU: operation and maintenance of the EDU's electrical system, any interruption of service, termination of service, or deterioration of the EDU's service. In the event of a power outage, you should contact your local EDU. Customer is responsible for providing Energy Harbor with accurate account information. If said information is incorrect, Energy Harbor reserves the right to reprice the applicable account(s) or terminate the Agreement. Energy Harbor 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 offer. Customer authorizes, but does not obligate, Energy Harbor to exercise customer's governmental aggregation opt-out rights.

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

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