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

RE: Electric Governmental Aggregator Certification Renewal Application for the City of Mount Healthy (Case Number 13-2423-EL-GAG).

Enclosed please find the renewal application for certification as a Governmental Aggregator of Electric for the City of Mount Healthy.

Independent Energy Consultants, Inc. is providing aggregation consulting services to the City of Mount Healthy 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 aburns@naturalgas-electric.com.

Sincerely,

Andrew Burns

Andrew Burns

Governmental Aggregation Manager

Attachments



A-1. Applicant's legal name and contact information.

Competitive Retail Electric Service (CRES)
Governmental Aggregator Application

Case Number: 13 - 2423 -EL-GAG

Please complete all information. Identify all attachments with a label and title (example: Exhibit B-2 Operation and governance plan). For paper filing, you can mail the original and three complete copies to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, Docketing Division, 180 East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-3793.

A. Application Information

Provide the name and contact information of the business entity.			
Legal Name:	City of Mount Healthy		
Street Address:	7700 Perry Street		
City:	Mount Healthy	State: OH	_{Zip:} 45231
Telephone:	513-931-8840	Website: mthealthy.org	
A-2. Contact person for regulatory matters.			
Name:	Andrew Burns, Govt. Agg Manager, Independent Energy Consultants		
Street Address:	215 W Garfield Rd, STE 210		
City:	Aurora	State: OH	_{Zip:} 44202
Telephone:	330-995-2675	Email: aburns@naturalg	gas-electric.com
A-3. Contact person for PUCO Staff use in investigating consumer complaints.			
Name:	Andrew Burns, Govt. Agg Manager, Independent Energy Consultants		
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City:	Aurora	State: OH	Zip: 44202
Telephone:	330-995-2675	Email: aburns@naturalg	as-electric.com
A-4. Applicant's address and toll-free number for customer service and complaints.			
Street Address:	215 W Garfield Rd, STE 210		
City:	Aurora	State: OH	Zip: 44202
Toll-free Telephone:	888-862-6060	Email: info@naturalgas-	-electric.com

B. Managerial Capability

Provide a response or attachment for each of the sections below.

B-1. Authorizing Ordinance.

Provide a copy of the adopted ordinance or resolution authorizing the formation of a governmental aggregation program pursuant to Sections 4928.20(A), 4929.26, and/or 4929.27 of the Ohio Revised Code.

B-2. Operation and governance plan.

Provide a copy of the applicant's plan for operation and governance of its aggregation program adopted pursuant to Section 4928.20(C), 4929.26(C), and/or 4929.27(B) of the Ohio Revised Code and in accordance with 4901:1-21-16 and/or 4901:1-28-03 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

B-3. Opt-out disclosure notice.

Provide a draft copy of the opt-out notice that provides or offers automatic aggregation services in accordance with Sections 4928.20(D) or 4929.26(D) of the Ohio Revised Code and in accordance with 4901:1-21-17 and/or 4901:1-28-04 of the Ohio Administrative Code. The applicant must file the finalized opt-out notice in the certification case docket no more than 30 days and not less than ten days prior to public dissemination.

B-4. Experience and plans.

Describe in detail the applicant's experience and plan for providing aggregation services, including contracting with consultants, broker/aggregators, retail natural gas suppliers and/or retail generation providers, providing billing statements, responding to customer inquiries and complaints, and complying with all applicable provisions of Commission rules adopted pursuant to Section 4929.22 and/or 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code.

As authorized representative for the above company/organization, I certify that all the information contained in this application is true, accurate and complete. I also understand that failure to report completely and accurately may result in penalties or other legal actions.

Competitive Retail Electric Service Affidavit

County of Hamilton	<u>_</u> :
State of Ohio	.:
William Kocher, City Manager	Affiant, being duly sworn/affirmed, hereby states that:

- 1. The information provided within the certification or certification renewal application and supporting information is complete, true, and accurate to the best knowledge of affiant, and that it will amend its application while it is pending if any substantial changes occur regarding the information provided.
- The applicant will timely file an annual report of its intrastate gross receipts, gross earnings, and sales of kilowatt-hours of electricity pursuant to Sections 4905.10(A), 4911.18(A), and 4928.06(F), Ohio Revised Code.
- 3. The applicant will timely pay any assessment made pursuant to Sections 4905.10, 4911.18, and 4928.06(F), Ohio Revised Code.
- 4. The applicant will comply with all applicable rules and orders adopted by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio pursuant to Title 49, Ohio Revised Code.
- 5. The applicant 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 will fully comply with Section <u>4928.09</u>, Ohio Revised Code regarding consent to the jurisdiction of Ohio Courts and the service of process.
- 7. The applicant will comply with all state and/or federal rules and regulations concerning consumer protection, the environment, and advertising/promotions.
- 8. The applicant 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 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, 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.
- 11. The Applicant will inform the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio of any material change to the information supplied in the 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 consumer complaints.

- 12. The facts set forth above are true and accurate 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.

13. Affiant further sayeth naught.	
Signature of Affiant & Title Many	RAYMOND RISSEL Notary Public State of Ohio My Comm. Expires April 16, 2025
Sworn and subscribed before me this	day of January, 2022 Month Year Raymond Rissel Admin. Liaise Print Name and Title
	My commission expires on April 16, 2025

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AN ORDINANCE ACKNOWLEDGING THE AUTHORIZATION ESTABLISHMENT OF A GOVERNMENT AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4928 OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE (THE "AGGREGATION PROGRAM") FOR THE RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND OTHER ELECTRIC CONSUMERS IN THE CITY OF MOUNT HEALTHY AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, on November 5, 2013, Mount Healthy residents voted in favor of the City having the authority to aggregate the retail electric loads located in the City and to enter into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the sale and purchase of electricity pursuant to Sections 4928 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, after the passage of the ballot, the City Council held two public hearings as required by Revised Code 4928.20(c) to explain customer rights in an "opt-out" aggregation and to adopt a Plan of Operations and Governance for its electric governmental aggregation program.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Council of the City of Mount Healthy, County of Hamilton, State of Ohio:

Section 1: That the City Council of Mount Healthy acknowledges the affirmative vote of the electorate on November 5, 2013, thereby granting authority to the City of Mount Healthy to establish an electric aggregation program.

Section 2: That this Council hereby adopts the City of Mount Healthy' Plan of Operation and Governance, (attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit A) for the implementation and administration of the City's electric aggregation program in accordance with Revised Code 4928.20(c).

Section 3: That it is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and

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that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 4: This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare of the City, and for the further reason that this Ordinance is required to be immediately effective in order to begin realizing the savings sought by the Electric Aggregation Program. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the City Council.

Passed this 4 day of December, 2013

President of Council

Attest: Milland

Approved this 19 day of DECEMBER, 2013

Approved as to form:

Law Director

Mayor

CITY OF MOUNT HEALTHY ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM

Plan of Operation and Governance

For additional information contact: Andrew Burns, Govt. Agg Manager Independent Energy Consultants, Inc. Ph: (330) 995-2675



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1. Purpose of Electric Aggregation Program & Services

This aggregation plan has been developed in compliance with Ohio Revised Code, Section 4928.20 regarding governmental aggregation of electric service. That section of the Code defines two different types of aggregation that may be enacted by a governmental entity; opt-in aggregation and opt-out aggregation. The City of Mount Healthy ("the City") will administer an opt-out aggregation program that will automatically include all eligible electric accounts receiving a beneficial offer from a Competitive Retail Electric Service Supplier (CRES Supplier). Those customers will be given prior notice entitling them to affirmatively elect not to be part of the Program.

The City passed the necessary ordinance to place the issue of Opt-out Governmental Aggregation of electricity on the November 5, 2013 ballot. The ballot issue subsequently passed. The City will follow the Plan of Operation and Governance ("Plan") outlined below. This Plan was adopted after two public hearings were held in accordance with section 4928.20 (C) of the Ohio Revised Code.

The City's 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. With a City population of approximately 6,000 the Program has the potential to combine residential accounts and small commercial accounts into a buying group that will be attractive to a Competitive Retail Electric Service Supplier (CRES Supplier). 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 local utility (Duke Energy) standard offer of service or to enter into a power supply contract with any CRES Supplier.

Residential and small commercial electric customers often lack the ability to effectively negotiate electric supply services. The City's Program provides them an opportunity to benefit from professional representation and bargaining power achieved through an aggregation Program.

The aggregation Program is designed to reduce the amount Members pay for electric energy and to gain other favorable terms of service. The City will not buy and resell the power to the Program Members. Instead, the City will competitively bid and negotiate a contract with a CRES Supplier to provide firm, full-requirements generation service to the Members of the aggregation Program.

Due to the complexity of deregulation of the electric utility industry, the City has entered into contract with Independent Energy Consultants, Inc. (Independent Energy Consultants), a PUCO certified broker and aggregator of natural gas and electricity. Among other things, Independent Energy Consultants will provide professional assistance which includes these consulting services:

- Draft and assist in maintaining this Plan of Operation and Governance;
- Lead the required Public Hearings and attend Council meetings;
- Assist the City in the day-to-day administration of the Program (problem resolution, press releases, PUCO compliance, supplier liaison, contract review, etc.);

- Administer the Request for Proposal process, analyze supplier responses and provide recommendations for the supply agreement;
- Review customer data provided by Duke Energy that would serve as the basis for an Opt-Out Notice; and
- Write/prepare reports on a quarterly/annual basis to the City, PUCO, PUCO's Market Monitoring division, and the Ohio Consumers' Counsel.

2. Determination of Rates and Other Charges

2.1. Rates

Through the efforts of its consultant, Independent Energy Consultants, Inc., the City will seek proposals from CRES suppliers. The request for proposals shall require the suppliers to offer a generation charge for firm, full-requirements supply. CRES Providers will bid by Duke Energy customer rate classification or customer class. CRES Providers will be encouraged to bid on as many electric accounts as possible, but it is recognized that from a practical standpoint it is not likely that bids will be received for larger commercial and industrial accounts that require interval metering and individual price analysis. Furthermore, a CRES Provider may not be able to beat Duke Energy's tariff rates for all customer classes and/or rate schedules. The prices to be charged to Members in the Program will be set by the City Council, or their designee, after negotiations with the selected CRES Supplier. Members will be notified of the rates and terms of the Program through a direct mailing sent to each eligible resident and business within the City limits. Once offers are found a table similar to the one shown below will be populated to reflect the offer rates.

Duke Energy Rate Schedule	CRES Supplier Offer
RS – Residential Service	\$0.0487/kWh through Apr 2023
DM – Secondary Distribution Service	\$0.0487/kWh through Apr 2023
Other	

2.2 Charges

Neither the City nor the selected Supplier will impose any terms, conditions, fees, or charges on any Member served by the governmental aggregation unless the particular term, condition, fee, or charge is clearly disclosed to the Member at the time the Member chose not to opt-out of the aggregation.

Duke Energy will continue to bill for Late Payment, Delivery Charges and Monthly Service Fee, etc. These charges apply whether or not a Member switches to the Program's CRES supplier. Switching generation suppliers will not result in any new charges billed to the Member.

2.3 Switching Fees

Should Duke Energy assess a switching fee for Members voluntarily remaining in the aggregation Program; the Request for Proposal will be written to require the selected supplier to pay the switching fee.

2.4 Early Termination Fee

Members may terminate their agreement without penalty if they relocate outside of the City. Members that leave for other reasons may be assessed an early termination fee by CRES supplier. Early termination fees are standard in most electric contracts. The City will negotiate with the CRES supplier to ensure that any early termination fee assessed is reasonable and clearly stated in the opt-out disclosure notice.

3. Process for Providing Opt-Out Disclosure Notices

When a successful supply offer is found, the City shall order the eligible customer list from Duke Energy. Duke Energy shall turn over the list to the City or its consultant upon request. Once the list is obtained, it will be shared with the selected CRES supplier and they will have 30 days from the City's receipt of the data to mail the Opt-Out Notices to all eligible Members receiving an offer.

Prior to including a customer's electric account or accounts in an aggregation, the City in cooperation with the selected CRES supplier, will provide each eligible Member a written Opt-Out Notice conforming to the requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Section 4901:1-21-17.

The selected CRES supplier will be required to pay for printing and mailing of opt-out disclosure notices. The notices will be mailed to the owner or occupant residing at the electric account mailing address shown on Duke Energy's customer list. The notice will contain the City's name and logo to clearly indicate to the recipient that it is a notice from the City.

Prior to mailing Opt-Out Notices a thorough review will be performed to see that all eligible Members receiving an offer are sent the notice. The review process will include the efforts of numerous parties and utilize a number of resources as specified in section four of this Plan.

Following acceptance of an offer by the City, the CRES supplier will mail Opt-Out Notices to eligible Members. Members will have 21 days from the postmark date on the notice to postmark the return opt-out card if they do not wish to participate in the City's Program.

In the event that an eligible Member is inadvertently not sent an Opt-Out Notice and is omitted from the Program, the CRES supplier shall, upon request, enroll the eligible Member at the group rate for the remaining term.

4. Determination of Eligible Customer Pool

Under the opt-out aggregation provisions, all eligible 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.

Prior to mailing Opt-Out Notices a thorough review will be performed to see that all ineligible customers are excluded. The review process will include the efforts of numerous parties and utilize a number of resources:

- Duke Energy will query their customer database using best efforts to capture all accounts within the City limits;
- The City's consultant working with the CRES supplier, available City resources and
 publicly available material shall screen out customers who are not located within the
 City limits. Those resources may include any or all of the following: Property
 records, water and/or sewer records, fire and/or police department address records,
 911 address records, street listings City maps, internet maps, county parcel
 mapping databases, and geographical information systems (GIS);
- Ineligible accounts will be screened out based on codes provided in the Duke Energy data;
- The data shall be reviewed to see that all zip codes have been included, all streets included, all customer classes, all customer rate schedules, and finally that an expected total for a community of this population was turned over;
- Any suspected omissions will be reported to Duke Energy along with a request to furnish that data; and
- Eligibility may be limited by a supplier's offer. For example, a fixed rate might not be offered to an account if their Price-to-Compare indicates they would not save.

5. Opt-Out Process

The City is using an Opt-Out form of Governmental Aggregation pursuant to section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code. Any such person that opts-out of the aggregation Program pursuant to stated procedure will default to the standard service offer provided by Duke Energy until the person chooses an alternative supplier.

When a successful supply offer is found the City shall order the eligible customer list from Duke Energy. Duke Energy shall turn over the list to the City or its consultant upon request. Once the list is obtained, it will be shared with the selected CRES supplier and they will have 30 days from the City's receipt of the data to mail the Opt-Out Notices to all eligible Members receiving an offer.

The selected CRES supplier and the City will agree upon the format of the Opt-Out Notice and will docket a sample with the PUCO at least ten days prior to mailing it to eligible Members.

The selected CRES supplier will be required to pay for printing and mailing of opt-out disclosure notices. The notices will be mailed to the owner or occupant residing at the electric account mailing address shown on Duke Energy's customer list. A City official will sign the notice and it will contain the City's name and logo on the outside to clearly indicate to the recipient that it is a notice from the City.

Prior to mailing Opt-Out Notices, a thorough review will be performed to see that all eligible Members receiving an offer are sent the notice. The review process will include the efforts of numerous parties and utilize a number of resources as specified in section four of this Plan.

Following acceptance of an offer by the City, the CRES supplier will mail Opt-Out Notices to eligible Members receiving an offer. Members will have 21 days from the postmark date on the notice to postmark the return opt-out card if they do not wish to participate in the City's Program. If available, Members may also call the CRES supplier's toll-free recorded phone number to opt-out. The selected CRES supplier will not enroll those accounts opting out from the Program.

In the event that an eligible Member is inadvertently not sent an Opt-Out Notice and is omitted from the Program, the CRES supplier shall, upon request, enroll the eligible Member at the group rate for the remaining term.

All members of the Program will also be given an opportunity to opt-out without penalty at least once every three years.

Procedure Steps:

- The selected CRES supplier and the City will agree upon the format of the Opt-Out Notice and will docket a sample with the PUCO at least ten days prior to mailing it to eligible Members;
- 2. The selected supplier will distribute an Opt-Out Form to all eligible Members via first class U.S. Mail:
- 3. Recipients will have 21 days from the postmark on the notice to notify the selected CRES supplier if they do not want to be part of the Program;
- 4. Members will be able to opt out by returning an opt-out card via U.S. Mail to the selected CRES supplier. The supplier may offer additional means of opting out, such as, making a toll-free recorded phone call to the CRES supplier, email notification or fax;
- 5. Additionally, Members who do not opt-out per step 4 above will receive written notification from Duke Energy stating that they are about to be switched. That notice will inform them that they have 7 days to rescind the contract by contacting Duke Energy; and
- 6. The selected CRES supplier will not enroll those accounts opting out from the Program.

The Opt-Out Notice will clearly notify the Program Members of the rates to be charged for electricity and other terms of the contract with the selected supplier. The notice will also satisfy the requirements for disclosing the environmental impact of the generation sources used to supply the Program.

6. Customer Classes Included

All eligible Members are included in the Program but the selected CRES supplier's offer will determine which groups receive an offer and Opt-Out Notice. It is envisioned that residential and small commercial customers supplied by Duke Energy within the City limits are the most likely to receive an offer. The specific rate schedules will be identified in Section 2 of this Plan of Operation. In addition to having a rate schedule listed in Section 2, the following eligibility requirements apply.

- Customers must be up to date with their bill payment;
- Customers must not have Opted-out of the Program;
- Customers must not be on the Do Not Aggregate list;
- Customers must not be supplied generation service from another CRES provider;
- Customers must not be on a special contract with Duke Energy;
- Customers must not be in the Percentage of Income Payment Program (PIPP);
- Commercial Customers must have a Peak Demand of <100 kW; and
- Commercial Customers must not have interval metering;
- Customers must not be classified as mercantile; and
- Eligibility may be further limited by a supplier's offer. For example, a fixed rate
 might not be offered to an account if their Price-to-Compare indicates they would
 not save.

7. Billing Procedures

The City will utilize the coordinated billing services of Duke Energy and the selected CRES supplier. Most customers are expected to receive a single bill from Duke Energy that itemizes among other things, the cost of generation provided by the CRES supplier. In some instances, particularly for commercial accounts, the CRES supplier may request that dual billing be used. In this case the supplier would issue a bill for their supply service and Duke Energy would issue a bill for their delivery services.

Members currently on budget billing will continue to be budget billed. Duke Energy's process will remain the same. Members wishing to start budget billing should contact Duke Energy. The process will take place in accordance with Duke Energy's policy and is not unique to the City's Program. Duke Energy's policies will dictate what portions of a Member's bill are budgeted and how the budget amount is calculated.

Members are required to remit and comply with the payment terms of Duke Energy 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. Furthermore, slow or no payment on the part of some Members will not adversely impact the rates charged to other Members. The selected Supplier shall not charge more than 1 ½ percent per month for overdue balances owed to the selected Supplier.

8. Credit/Deposit Requirements

Collection and credit procedures remain the responsibility of Duke Energy, the selected Supplier and the individual Member. Members are required to remit and comply with the payment terms of Duke Energy. This Program will not be responsible for late or no payment on the part of any of its Members. The City will have no separate credit or deposit policy.

9. Procedures for Handling Customer Complaints and Dispute Resolution

Members have multiple means of addressing complaints. As a general rule, concerns

regarding service reliability should be directed to Duke Energy, questions regarding the Program administration should go to the City, billing questions should be directed to Duke Energy or the selected supplier and any unresolved disputes should be directed to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio and/or The Ohio Consumers' Counsel. Listed below is a table of toll-free numbers for members to call for assistance.

Nature of Complaint	Contact	Phone Number
Service interruptions or emergencies	Duke Energy	1-800-543-5599
Service turn on/off	Duke Energy	1-800-544-6900
Billing disputes – Delivery charges	Duke Energy	1-800-544-6900
Billing disputes – Supplier charges	IGS Energy	1-877-353-0162
Joining/Leaving Program	IGS Energy	1-877-353-0162
Aggregation Program questions	City of Mount Healthy Independent Energy Consultants	513-931-8840 888-862-6060
Unresolved disputes	Public Utilities Comm. (voice)	1-800-686-7826
Unresolved disputes	Public Utilities Comm. TDD/TTY	1-800-686-1570
General information – residential	Ohio Consumers' Counsel	1-877-742-5622

10. Moving Into/Within the City

Utility rules require that people moving into a different residence, new construction or otherwise, be assigned a new account number and be served for at least one month by the local utility before they can switch to a new supplier. The above-mentioned are examples of utility rules approved by the PUCO that will impact the operation of Mount Healthy's aggregation Program.

Residents and businesses that move into the City will <u>not</u> be automatically included in the City's Program. The City cannot guarantee the rates, terms and conditions to Members enrolling after the 21-day opt-out period of the initial enrollees. Members wishing to opt-in to the Program may contact the City or the CRES supplier 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. The selected CRES supplier's decision whether or not to extend an offer will be based, in part, on the market prices at the time of request.

Members who move within the City limits and are assigned a new account number by Duke Energy will be treated in the same manner as a new resident. They will not be automatically enrolled, but may contact the CRES supplier concerning re-enrollment. Once again, there is no guarantee that the CRES Supplier will extend an offer, or an offer that is the same as that of the initial enrollees.

11. Moving Within the City and Maintaining the Same Account Number

The selected CRES Supplier shall continue service at the same rate and under the same

terms and conditions for any Member who relocates within the City prior to the expiration of the contract term, providing that the Member notifies the CRES Supplier of their desire to do so with thirty (30) days written notice. Moving within the City may cause the Member to be served for a brief period of time by the local utility. The CRES supplier shall have the right to bill the participant for any associated switching fee imposed by Duke Energy. Members may also opt-out without penalty under these circumstances.

12. Joining the Aggregation Group after Opting-Out

Members who have left the aggregation group and wish to rejoin at a later date are treated in the same manner as new residents moving into Mount Healthy. These customers may contact the City or the CRES 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.

13. Reliability of Power Supply

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

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

14. Supplier Qualification Selection Criteria

Only Suppliers meeting strict criteria will be considered.

- Suppliers will need to be certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio;
- Registered with Duke Energy to do business in their service territory. Both the
 certification and registration ensure that Suppliers possess the managerial,
 technical, and financial competence to perform the services they offer;
- Successfully completed Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) computer system testing with Duke Energy to support Governmental Aggregation Program transactions;
- Agree to hold harmless the City from any financial obligations arising from the Program;
- The selected CRES supplier will need to agree to notify the City and negotiate with the City at least 60 days in advance of attempting to terminate the agreement for any reasons other than (i) the scheduled end date or (ii) Force Majeure; and
- The City shall review the creditworthiness of the selected CRES supplier.
 Should the City have concerns about the CRES supplier's current or projected financial stability at the time a contract is entered, the selected supplier may be

City of Mount Healthy Exhibit B-2 "Operation and Governance Plan" required to demonstrate its creditworthiness by providing:

- a Letter of Credit; or
- a Parental Guaranty from a company that is deemed creditworthy; or
- a Surety Bond.

Details of the credit type and amount will be subject to negotiation.

15. Miscellaneous

The City will maintain a copy of this Plan of Operation and Governance on file at its Administrative office. This Plan will be kept available for public inspection. It will, upon request, be copied for any existing or potential Members of the aggregation in accordance with the City rules for copying public documents.

The City will not alter its Operation and Governance Plan in any way that would materially affect the customers of the aggregation without first providing notice to all affected Members and providing these Members the opportunity to opt-out of the aggregation according to the procedures established for the initial opt-out disclosure notice set forth in rule 4901:1-21-17 of the Administrative Code. In the event of a material change, the City will provide a notice explaining the changes to the Plan, and informing the Members of their right to opt-out of the aggregation without penalty, and identifying the method and time frame for the customer to opt-out.

The City or the selected CRES supplier will not issue an Opt-Out Notice before the City has obtained its certification as a Governmental Aggregator of electricity from the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

The success of the City's Aggregation Program relies in part to the cooperation it receives from Duke Energy. In addition to other tasks, Duke Energy must turn over accurate customer data and perform the customer switching process in a timely manner. The City will comply with PUCO rules, and will hold Duke Energy to its obligations under the same.

The Electric Aggregation Program may be terminated upon the termination or expiration of the supply contract without any extension, renewal or subsequent supply contract being negotiated. Each individual Member receiving electric supply service under the Program will receive notification 45-90 days prior to termination of the Program. In the event of termination, Members in the City's aggregation Program would either return to Duke Energy supply service or choose a CRES supplier on their own.

If the City is unable to find a satisfactory offer at the end of an existing supply agreement, they have the option of maintaining their status as a Governmental Aggregator while they continue to seek offers for their Members.





<FULLNAME> <MAILING ADDRESS_1> <MAILING ADDRESS 2> <CITY>, <ST> <ZIP+4>

Welcome to the City of Mt. Healthy Electric Aggregation Program

Hi <Contact_First_NM>,

February 21, 2020

We are pleased to let you know that your community of the City of Mt. Healthy has chosen Dynegy to be the preferred electricity supplier for you and your neighbors through its Electric Aggregation Program. In November 2013, your community gave the City Council the authority to negotiate the most favorable electricity supply rate and terms for you. We are very proud to have been chosen to serve you!

Here's What You Can Expect

- The program is simple! You're automatically enrolled and there's no enrollment, switching or early termination fee.
- You'll receive a guaranteed, fixed rate of 4.87¢ per kWh through your April 2023 meter read. Or choose 100% renewable energy for 4.96¢ per kWh. Please call us for this option.
- Nothing will change! Continue to receive one monthly bill from your local utility, Duke Energy. You'll notice that Dynegy will now show as a line item for the supply portion on your bill.
- Duke Energy will send you a confirmation letter after your enrollment is finalized.

Secure Rate

Satisfaction Guaranteed

Trusted by **Millions**

Don't want to participate?

Just complete and return the reply card below or call Dynegy at 888-682-2170 by March 13, 2020. If you choose to opt out of the program at this time, or if you choose to leave the program at a later date, you will be served by Duke Energy under its standard service offer or until you choose an alternative supplier of electric service. If you switch back to your utility, you may not be served under the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to other customers served by your utility.

To learn more about the program, please see the enclosed terms and conditions or visit https://www.dynegy.com/municipal-aggregation/communities-we-serve/Ohio/mt-healthy

Sincerely,		
Willaim Kocher City	Manager	& Dynegy

Sincerely, Willaim Kocher City Manager & Dynegy	See Reverse for Frequently Asked Questions	
Community: City of Mt. Healthy		
I do not wish to take advantage of the favorable rate negotiat Program. By checking this box, I understand that my electric		
This opt-out card must be post marked by March 13, 2020 and mailed to	Dynegy, PO Box 650764 Dallas, Texas, 75265-0764	
Customer Name	Account Number	
Service Address		
Service Address		
Signature	Date	



ABOUT THE PROGRAM

What is an Electric Aggregation Program?

Aggregation is an opportunity for cities, townships and counties to negotiate competitive electricity supply rates and provide budget stability for their residents and small businesses.

First, residents must vote to give their community officials the ability to negotiate electricity rates for their community. Once a referendum is passed, communities are able to aggregate and elected officials can work with alternative energy suppliers to negotiate competitive electricity rates.

How was Dynegy chosen as the supplier?

Your community implemented a formal process where proposals from multiple suppliers were submitted for consideration. Dynegy was selected to be your preferred electricity supplier.

ELIGIBILITY AND ENROLLMENT

Who is eligible to participate?

Residential and small business customers located in your community may participate. Customers enrolled with an alternative retail supplier will not be included in the initial program; however, they can call to be enrolled. Customers enrolled in PIPP (Percentage of Income Plan) are not eligible for the program.

How do I enroll?

It's simple. It's automatic. Unless you "opt-out" of the program, all eligible customer accounts within your community boundaries will be enrolled in the program as long as you are not participating in one of the programs mentioned above. You will receive a "switch" letter from your local utility company, confirming your enrollment.

Do I have to participate in the aggregation program?

All eligible local utility company customers within your community will receive an opt-out notification letter via U.S. mail. You may "opt-out" by returning the Opt-Out card or calling Dynegy by the deadline date identified in your notification. If you choose to opt-out, your account remains with your local utility company at their current utility rate.

If I don't want to be a part of the program, why do I have to opt-out?

The voters authorized the community to develop an aggregation program where each resident and small business is automatically enrolled. Therefore, if you prefer not to participate, you must opt out of the program.

What if I decide to opt-out after the opt-out deadlines have passed? You may opt out at any time by notifying us via telephone, email, or mail.

RATE AND TERM INFORMATION

What are the Rates & Terms for this Aggregation Program?

Your competitive rate and terms are explained in your Terms and Conditions. Customers who are enrolled in the program should see the changes on their monthly electricity bill 45 to 60 days after enrollment.

What if my local utility company's rate decreases?

If at any time during the term of your Agreement the local utility company's rates fall lower than the Dynegy price, you will have the option to return to the utility, your local electric company, without penalty.

What happens at the end of the Agreement term?

At the end of the Agreement term, as defined in the Terms and Conditions, you have the option of staying with a new aggregation program, returning to your local utility company, or signing with a new supplier independent of the Aggregation program.

BILLING AND SERVICE

Who will bill me for electricity? Will I get two bills?

You will continue to receive one monthly bill from your local utility company. The bill will include the charges for electricity supplied by Dynegy, as well as the delivery service charges from your local utility company.

Can I still have my payment automatically deducted from my checking account?

Yes, how you pay your bill will not change.

If I'm on budget billing with my utility, can I keep this program?

Dynegy accepts Duke, Ohio Edison, Toledo Edison and The Illuminating Company budget billing programs. If you would like to enroll in budget billing or have any additional questions, please contact your utility directly.

Who do I call to report a power outage or problems with my electric service?

You will continue to call your local utility company for power outages, problems with your service or questions regarding your monthly bill.

Who do I call if I have questions regarding the Aggregation Program?

Dynegy at 888-682-2170 or DynegyCustomerService@Dynegy.com

Dynegy Energy Services (East), LLC Residential and Small Commercial Electric Supply Agreement Terms and Conditions

- **1. Purchase of Electricity –** Dynegy Energy Services (East), LLC (DESE) agrees to sell, and you (Customer) agree to buy, all retail electricity at the price and on the terms and conditions specified in this Agreement. Customer's electric utility, Duke Energy–Ohio, remains responsible for the delivery of electricity to the Customer.
- **2. Residential or Small Commercial Service –** Customer acknowledges this Agreement is for electricity for residential or small commercial use only.
- **3. Price and Initial Term –** The price for electricity (Price) will be \$0.0487 per kWh (or \$0.0496) per kWh for those opting into the Green Energy Program) through your April 2023 meter read date (Initial Term). Electricity service under this Agreement will begin with the next available meter read date after DESE and Customer's electric utility process Customer's enrollment. In addition to delivering electricity, Customer's electric utility will continue to read Customer's meter, bill the Customer and respond to any outages. If Customer switches back to Customer's electric utility for any reason, Customer may or may not be served under the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to other customers served by the electric utility. Price includes broker fees, but does not include any applicable taxes, fees or charges related to distribution service from the Customer's electric utility. If DES wishes to lower the Price due to a change in market conditions, DES may do so without Customer's consent provided there are no other changes to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- **4. 100% Green Energy Program -** The Price for electricity shall be associated with the generation of electricity from a renewable energy resource on Customers' behalf, such that the percentage shall equal 100%. The Price indicated above reflects energy that is procured from 100% renewable resources and will be made available to Customers upon request. **This is an OPTIONAL "OPT-IN" offer. Eligible residents and small businesses must contact DESE directly to enter this 100% Green Energy Program.** For additional information on the green energy program, please visit the PUCO's website at: https://www.puco.ohio.gov/be-informed/consumertopics/green-pricing-programs/.
- **5. Length of Contract -** As a part of your community's program, your service from DESE will commence with your next available meter reading after processing of enrollment by your electric utility, and will continue for the term as specified in the opt-out notification, ending on your meter read for the last month of service.
- **6. Billing and Payment –** The charges for electricity provided by DESE will appear on Customer's monthly bill from Customer's electric utility, and is due and payable to Customer's electric utility on the same day the electric utility's bill is due. Customer will incur additional service and delivery charges from the Customer's electric utility. Customer should continue to follow any bill payment procedures between Customer and Customer's electric utility. Customer agrees to accept the measurements as determined by Customer's electric utility for purposes of accounting for the amount of electricity provided by DESE under this Agreement. Though DESE does not offer budget billing for the electricity provided, the customer may contact the Customer's electric utility to enroll in the utility budget billing program, if applicable. Customer has the right to request from DESE, twice within a twelvementh period without charge, up to twenty-four months of the Customer's payment history. The failure to pay electric utility charges may result in Customer being disconnected from service in accordance with the Customer's electric utility tariff.
- 7. Customer Cancellation or Termination of the Agreement Customer's electric utility will send Customer a notice confirming the switch to DESE for electricity. CUSTOMER MAY CANCEL THIS AGREEMENT WITHOUT PENALTY WITHIN SEVEN (7) CALENDAR DAYS OF THE POSTMARK ON THE ELECTRIC UTILITY'S CONFIRMATION NOTICE OF THE SWITCH TO DESE BY CONTACTING CUSTOMER'S ELECTRIC UTILITY BY TELEPHONE OR IN WRITING IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CANCELLATION INSTRUCTIONS ON THAT NOTICE. After the seven-day cancellation period, Customer must contact DESE to terminate this Agreement. There is no fee for early termination during any renewal term. Customer may terminate this Agreement without penalty if Customer moves outside of DESE's service area or into an area where DESE charges a different price for electricity.
- 8. DESE Termination of the Agreement DESE may terminate this Agreement by giving Customer written notice of at least 14 calendar days if the Customer fails to make any payments under this Agreement or fails to meet any agreed-upon payment arrangements. DESE may also terminate this Agreement by giving Customer written notice if any Force Majeure Event (See Section 13 of this Agreement), as defined below, physically prevents or legally prohibits DESE from performing under the terms of this Agreement. Upon termination of this Agreement, Customer will return to Customer's electric utility for electricity unless Customer has selected another Competitive Retail Electric Service (CRES) provider. The effective date of any termination by Customer or DESE will be the next available meter read date after expiration of any required notice period and processing by the electric utility and DESE of the return of the Customer to the electric utility. Upon termination by any party for any reason, Customer will remain responsible for all charges for electricity through the date of termination.
- **9. Environmental Disclosure –** This Agreement incorporates the information provided to Customer or made available to Customer at DESE's website (DynegyOhio.com) regarding the approximate generation resource mix and environmental characteristics of electricity supply.
- **10. Assignment –** DESE may assign, subcontract or delegate all or any part of DESE's rights and/or obligations under this Agreement without consent from Customer. Customer shall not assign its rights and/or obligations under this Agreement without the prior written consent of DESE.
- **11. Customer Information –** Customer authorizes DESE to obtain any information from Customer's electric utility necessary for DESE to perform this Agreement, including Customer's account name, account number, billing address, service address, telephone number, standard offer service type, meter readings, when charges hereunder are included on the electric utility's bill, and Customer's billing and payment information from

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Customer's electric utility. DESE is prohibited from disclosing Customer's social security number and/or account number(s) without Customer's consent except for DESE's own collections and credit reporting, participation in programs funded by the universal service fund pursuant to section 4928.52 of the Revised Code, or assigning a customer contract to another CRES provider.

- **12. Dispute Resolution –** If Customer has a billing or other dispute involving this Agreement, Customer may contact DESE at the telephone number, e-mail address or mailing address listed below. 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 eight a.m. to five p.m. weekdays, or at http://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) from eight a.m. to five p.m. weekdays, or at http://www.pickocc.org.
- 13. Limitation of Liability Customer agrees that neither DESE nor any of its employees, affiliates, agents, or subcontractors (collectively, DESE Parties) will be liable for any damages or claims for matters within the control of Customer's electric utility or the regional transmission organization controlled electricity grid. The DESE Parties will not be responsible for any failure to commence or terminate power and energy service on the date specified herein due to any failure or delay in enrolling Customer with Customer's electric utility. The DESE Parties' liability will be limited to direct actual damages only. In no event will the DESE Parties be liable for any punitive, incidental, consequential, exemplary, indirect, attorney's fees, third-party claims or other damages whether based on contract, warranty, tort, negligence, strict liability or otherwise, or for lost profits arising from any breach or nonperformance of this Agreement.
- 14. Force Majeure If a Party is prevented by Force Majeure from carrying out, in whole or part, its obligations under this Agreement (the "Claiming Party") and gives notice and details of to the other Party as soon as practicable, then the Claiming Party shall be excused from the performance of its obligations under this Agreement (other than the obligation to make payments then due or becoming due with respect to performance prior to the Force Majeure). The Claiming Party shall remedy the Force Majeure with all reasonable dispatch. During the period excused by Force Majeure, the non-Claiming Party shall not be required to perform its obligations under this Agreement. "Force Majeure" shall mean an event or circumstance which prevents the Claiming Party from performing its obligations or causes delay in the Claiming Party's performance under this Agreement, which event or circumstance was not anticipated as of the date this Agreement was agreed to, which is not within the reasonable control of, or the result of the negligence of, the Claiming Party, and which, by the exercise of due diligence or use of good utility practice, as defined in the applicable transmission tariff, the Claiming Party is unable to overcome or avoid or cause to be avoided, such as, but not limited to, acts of God; fire; flood; earthquake; war; riots; strikes, walkouts, lockouts and other labor disputes that affect Customer or DESE. Force Majeure shall not be based on 1) Customer's inability to economically use the electricity purchased hereunder; or 2) Supplier's ability to sell the electricity at a price greater than the price under this Agreement.
- 15. REGULATORY OUT Changes to laws, regulations, rules, decisions, entries, findings, or orders governing the generation, transmission, or sale of electricity may be made by different entities, including state agencies and regulatory bodies such as the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO), federal agencies and regulatory bodies such as the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), and Regional Transmission Organizations (RTO) that operate multi-state regional electric transmission systems such as PJM Interconnection LLC (PJM), the RTO that operates the regional electric transmission system in a multi-state region that includes Ohio. Such changes may include, without limitation, new, revised, altered, amended, or reinterpreted laws, regulations, rules, decisions, entries, findings, or orders relating to (i) the generation of electricity, (ii) the availability and reliability of electricity supply resources (including, without limitation, capacity), (iii) the reliability of the electricity grid, (iv) the transmission or delivery of electricity, and (v) the sale or marketing of wholesale and retail electricity (collectively, Regulatory Events).

DES has no control over Regulatory Events. If any Regulatory Event makes this Agreement uneconomic or unprofitable for DES, Customer agrees that DES may propose new contract terms to Customer, including, without limitation, an increased price for the electricity delivered by DES under this Agreement. If DES proposes new contract terms in accordance with this clause, DES will provide written notice to the Customer that identifies (1) the Regulatory Event(s) at issue, (2) the new contract terms proposed by DES, and (3) when the new contract terms will take effect following Customer's acceptance. Customer will have thirty (30) days from the date of the written notice to affirmatively accept or reject the new contract terms. If Customer does not affirmatively accept the new contract terms within thirty (30) days of the written notice, DES may in its sole discretion elect to terminate this Agreement without penalty on the next available meter read date after the expiration of the thirty-day notice period and processing by the electric utility and DES, after which Customer will return to Customer's electric utility or another CRES provider of Customer's choosing for electricity; alternatively, DES may, in its sole discretion, elect to continue supplying electricity to Customer under the original terms of this Agreement.

Contact Information

In the event of an emergency involving Customer's electric service (for example, an outage or downed power lines) Customer should call the emergency line for Customer's electric utility. In all other situations, Customer may contact DESE toll free at 888-682-2170. Customer Care Representatives are available Monday – Friday, 8:00 am - 7:00 pm ET. During all other hours please leave a message for a return call. Customer may also contact DESE by email at DynegyCustomerService@dynegy.com, or by US Mail at DYNEGY, LLC, Attn: Customer Care, PO Box 650764 Dallas, TX 75265-0764. Customer may also visit Dynegy's website at https://www.dynegy.com/electric-supplier.

The City of Mount Healthy is well versed in negotiating, contracting and providing for common services to City residents. Some examples of experience as a service provider are:

- 1. Police Service
- 2. Fire Service
- 3. Parks and Recreation
- 4. Public Works

The City Administration routinely negotiate for services and supplies that benefit the residents of Mount Healthy. However, due to the complexity of Governmental Aggregation, the City has hired Independent Energy Consultants, Inc. to assist them in designing, implementing and maintaining the Program. Independent Energy Consultants are:

- Certified Electric Aggregators and Brokers #04-116(9) in the State of Ohio.
- Certified Natural Gas Aggregators and Brokers #04-078(9) in the State of Ohio.
- Licensed Agent/Broker/Consultant in the State of Illinois.
- Licensed Electric and Natural Gas Aggregators and Brokers #A-17 in the State of Virginia.
- Registered Aggregators #80252 in the State of Texas.

Independent Energy Consultants, Inc. has designed, implemented and administered numerous opt-in and opt-out Governmental Aggregation Programs in Ohio. Contact information for Independent Energy Consultants is:

Independent Energy Consultants, Inc.

215 W. Garfield Road Suite 210

Aurora, Ohio 44202 Phone: 330 995-2675 Fax: 800 574-4508

Email: info@naturalgas-electric.com

www.naturalgas-electric.com

Among other services, Independent Energy Consultants, Inc. will:

- Draft and assist in maintaining the Plan of Operation and Governance.
- Lead any required Public Hearings and attend Council meetings upon request.
- Assist the City in the day-to-day administration of program (problem resolution, press releases, PUCO compliance, supplier liaison, contract review, etc.).
- Design and issue the Request for Proposal, analyze supplier responses and provide recommendations for the supply agreement.
- Review customer data provided by the local utility that would serve as the basis for an Opt-Out Notice.

City of Mount Healthy Exhibit B-4 "Experience and Plans"

• Write/prepare reports on a quarterly/annual basis to the City, PUCO, and the Ohio Consumers' Counsel.

The City of Mount Healthy will not take title to electricity, issue bills, read meters or staff a call center for complaints. Those functions will be provided by the local utility and the selected CRES supplier as detailed in Section 7 of its Plan of Operations and Governance. The City will comply with its responsibilities as a Governmental Aggregator (ORC 4928.20) and will respond to questions concerning the Aggregation Program.

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