

Competitive Retail Electric Service (CRES) Governmental Aggregator Application

Case Number: <u>10</u> <u>0266</u> -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

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

Provide the name and contact information of the business entity.

Legal Name:	City of London					
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City:	London	State: OH	Zip: 04314			
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A-4. Applicant's address and toll-free number for customer service and complaints.						
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City: Toll-free Telephone:	Irving	State:	Zip:			
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## **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.

Safety Service Director

Feb. 18 2622 Date

## **Competitive Retail Electric Service Affidavit**

County of <u>Madison</u>:

State of Ohio

ex Castle\_, 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.
- 2. 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 <u>4905.10(A)</u>, <u>4911.18(A)</u>, and <u>4928.06(F)</u>, Ohio Revised Code.
- 3. The applicant will timely pay any assessment made pursuant to Sections <u>4905.10, 4911.18</u>, and <u>4928.06(F)</u>, Ohio Revised Code.
- 4. The applicant will comply with all applicable rules and orders adopted by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio pursuant to <u>Title 49</u>, 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.
- 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.

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13. Affiant further sayeth naught.

5.5.2.

Signature of Affiant & Title

18 Sworn and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of official administering oath

**AMY REES** Notary Public, State of Ohio My Commission Expires 2-15-23 day of FEBRUARY Year AMY OTAR KET Print Name and Title

My commission expires on \_\_\_\_\_ Z - 15 - 23



# **Application Attachments**

# Exhibit B-1: Authorizing Ordinance

# EXHIBIT A-2 AUTHORIZING

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Exhibit B-2: Operation and Governance Plan

# City of London, Ohio Municipal Electric Aggregation Program

# Plan of Operation and Governance

Adopted by City of London January 18, 2001

#### 1. Overview

At the November 7, 2000 general election, local residents authorized the City of London ("the City") to create a municipal opt-out electric aggregation program ("the Aggregation Program") as provided under Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code. Under the opt out electric aggregation program, all eligible electric consumers within the City's corporation limits will be automatically included in the Aggregation Program initially. However, all consumers will also be given the opportunity to opt out of or decline participation in the Aggregation Program as detailed herein.

The City's purpose in creating the Aggregation Program is to represent local consumer interests in emerging competitive electricity markets by aggregating electric loads within the City's corporation limits (including municipal facilities) and negotiating affordable, reliable electric supplies and other related services on behalf of local consumers. The City may pursue this purpose individually or in cooperation with other entities.

Many small commercial and residential electric consumers lack the knowledge and leverage to effectively negotiate power supply rates and services. A governmental aggregation program provides them with an option for professional representation and the bargaining power of a larger, more diverse consumer group that may be more altractive to suppliers, allowing them to effectively participate in the competitive process and achieve benefits.

The Aggregation Program is designed to reduce the amount a consumer pays for electric energy, and to gain other favorable economic and non-economic terms in service contracts. The City will not buy and resell power, but will represent collective consumer interests to set terms and conditions for service. Through a negotiation process, the City will develop a contract with a Competitive Retail Electric Services Provider (CRES Provider) or Providers for firm all-requirements electric service. The contract will run for a fixed term (i.e., one to nine years). Once the contract has been finalized, it will be submitted to the London City Council for approval.

Initially, each eligible consumer within the City's corporation limits will be automatically included in the Aggregation Program on a non-discriminatory basis. However, prior to actual enrollment, each consumer will receive a notice from the City detailing the Aggregation Program's rates, terms and conditions.

Each consumer will then have a 21-day period to opt out of or decline to participate in the Aggregation Program without charge. Consumers opting out of the program will remain on FirstEnergy's Standard Offer Generation Service until such time as they select an approved CRES Provider. A similar opt-out period will be offered every three years during which time consumers can leave the Aggregation Program without paying an early termination fee.

Participants who leave the Aggregation Program and wish to return, as well as consumers who move into the City after the initial opt-out period will be afforded the opportunity to enroll in the Aggregation Program. However, the City cannot guarantee rates, terms and conditions to consumers enrolling in the Aggregation Program after the initial 21-day opt out period.

Participants who relocate within the City limits and retain the same FirstEnergy account number will be allowed to continue in the Aggregation Program at their new locations under the same terms and conditions as at their former locations (subject to any switching fees imposed by FirstEnergy), provided the FirstEnergy rate classification is the same at both locations

The City will enter into a Master Service Agreement with a CRES Provider to implement and operate the Aggregation Program. Contracts for power supply and other related services will be negotiated, recommended, and monitored for compliance by the City on behalf of local consumers. The Aggregation Program covers the power supply or generation portion only of a participant's electric bill. FirstEnergy will continue to deliver electricity to Aggregation Program participants' homes and businesses through its electric transmission and distribution system as a monopoly function regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO). FirstEnergy will also continue to install, operate and maintain its system of poles, wires, transformers and other electric distribution components. Aggregation Program participants should continue to

call FirstEnergy if their power goes out or if they have billing questions. The PUCO will continue to oversee FirstEnergy's electric safety and reliability service standards.

The City developed this Plan of Operation and Governance in compliance with Ohio law regarding municipal opt-out aggregation of electric consumers, including at least two public hearings prior to its adoption.

#### 2. Plan of Operation and Governance

The London City Council shall approve through resolution or ordinance the Aggregation Program's Plan of Operation and Governance in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Section 4928.20. Amendments to the Plan of Operation and Governance may be subject to London City Council approval and filing with the PUCO.

#### 3. Aggregation Program Structure and Management

Oversight of the Aggregation Program will be the responsibility of the Service Safety Director, who shall report to the Mayor. The Service Safety Director will have the authority to develop specifications for the Aggregation Program, to appoint an Aggregation Program Manager, and to select, hire and manage the CRES Provider.

The CRES Provider and the Aggregation Program Manager will work under the direction of the Service Safety Director with the advice and counsel of the City Attorney.

Due to the complexity of the electric utility industry and the uncertainties of its associated restructuring activities, the Service Safety Director may contract with a consultant or consultants to provide the necessary expertise to represent the City's interest in legislative and regulatory matters and/or to serve as the Aggregation Program Manager. Such services may include, but are not limited to facilitating consumer enrollment and opt-out, assisting with consumer education, addressing consumer questions and concerns, providing reports on program operation, enrollment and savings, negotiating future CRES Provider contracts, and representing the City in dealings with CRES Providers, FirstEnergy, the Ohio Legislature, the PUCO and the OCC.

#### 3.1 Selection of a CRES Provider

The City will not buy and resell power to Aggregation Program participants. The City will negotiate with potential CRES Providers to provide affordable, reliable electric supplies and other electric related services on behalf of local consumers. The City will consider cooperating with other governmental aggregators if it appears beneficial to do so.

Through a negotiation process, the City will develop a Master Service Agreement (MSA) with a CRES Provider or Providers for firm, all-requirements service. The initial term of the MSA may be up to five (5) years corresponding with FirstEnergy's five-year retail electric competitive market development period or such shorter market development period as ordered by the PUCO.

The City will contract only with a CRES Provider or Providers that meet at a minimum the following criteria:

- · Certified as a CRES Provider by the PUCO
- · Registered as a generation supplier with FirstEnergy

 Have a Service Agreement for Network Integration Transmission Service under FirstEnergy's or ATSI's Open Access Transmission Tariff, as appropriate

· Have a Service Agreement under FirstEnergy's Market-based Rate Tariff

· Demonstrate that its Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) computer network is

fully functional and capable of handling aggregation requirements.

· Successfully completed EDI computer system testing with FirstEnergy

· Meet standards of creditworthiness established by the City

• Have a customer call center capable of effectively handling participants' questions, concerns and disputes in a timely manner using a toll-free telephone number

· Hold the City harmless from any financial obligations arising from offering electricity and/or

energy-related services to Aggregation Program participants

· Satisfy the State of Ohio's and FirstEnergy's credit requirements

- · Negotiate with the City and execute the MSA
- · Assist the City in developing detailed opt-out and opt-in procedures
- · Provide the Automatic Aggregation Disclosure notice
- · Affirmatively state the expected annual saving percentage for Aggregation Group participants
- · Assist the City in holding public hearings on the Plan of Operation and Governance
- · Submit a claim for MSG capacity to serve the Aggregation Program
- · Notify aggregation program participants of the first month of aggregation power delivery

#### 4. Enrollment and Termination of Aggregation Service

#### 4.1 Initial Consumer Notification and Enroliment

After approval of the MSA by the London City Council, the CRES Provider will work with the City and FirstEnergy to identify all eligible consumers within the City's corporation limits.

All eligible consumers will be notified in writing of the rates, charges and other terms and conditions of participation in the Aggregation Program and that they will be automatically enrolled in the Aggregation Program unless they opt out of or decline participation in the program. Consumers will be given a 2l-day period in which to notify the City that they wish to opt out of or decline participation in the Aggregation Program. The opt-out notice shall include at least the following Aggregation Program information:

- · Rates and charges
- · Terms and conditions
- · CRES Provider information and contacts
- CRES Provider's toll-free number for customer service and concerns
- City Aggregation Program Manager's contact information
- Consumer education information
- . The 21-day opt-out period and opt-out procedures
- · Consumer's right to opt-out every three years with no switching fee

Consumers may use one or more of the following methods to opt out of the program:

1) Returning a post card or other form provided in the opt-out letter;

- 2) Telephone;
- 3) Internet.

After initial 21-day opt out period has elapsed, all eligible consumers who have not notified the City of their desire to opt out of the Aggregation Program will be enrolled by the CRES Provider at the earliest date practicable. Participants will not be required to take other affirmative steps to be included in the program.

Consumers ineligible to participate in the Aggregation Program include those customer accounts that are located outside the City's municipal boundaries, merchantile customers, customers who are in contract with a CRES provider, customers in a "special rate" contract with FirstEnergy, Percentage Income Payment Plan (PIPP) consumers and consumers whose accounts are not current with FirstEnergy. (The aggregation of PIPP customers is under the direction of the State of Ohio.)

Consumers enrolled in the Aggregation Program by the CRES Provider will receive a rescission letter from FirstEnergy notifying them of their enrollment and granting them seven calendar days to notify FirstEnergy of any objection to their enrollment in the Aggregation Program. FirstEnergy will notify the CRES Provider of consumer objections or any reason that a consumer was not enrolled in the Aggregation Program and CRES Provider will maintain a list of customers who have opted out under the program rules. The CRES Provider will report to the City the status of Aggregation Program enrollment on at least a monthly basis.

#### 4.2 Leaving the Aggregation Program

Participants who wish to leave the Aggregation Program may do so:

- · During the initial 21-day opt-out period
- During subsequent opt-out periods offered by the City at least every three years
- · At any other time; however an early termination fee may be assessed

In addition to the initial 21-day opt-out period described above, each participant will be given an opportunity to opt out of the Aggregation Program every three years without paying an early termination fee. Consumers who choose to opt out of the Aggregation Program at any time other than during the initial 21-day opt-out period or during subsequent opt-out periods offered by the City may be subject to an early termination fee assessed by the CRES Provider.

Aggregation Program participants who wish to opt-out of the program after the initial 21-day opt-out period will be allowed to do so effective with the consumer's next meter reading date, subject to FirstEnergy's notice requirements.

Any consumer who opts out of the Aggregation Program will be returned to FirstEnergy's Standard Offer Generation Service until such time as the consumer selects another approved CRES Provider.

If a participant relocates outside of the City's corporation limits, there will be no exit fee and service will end under the aggregation program as described above.

#### 4.3 New and Returning Participants

Participants who leave the Aggregation Program and wish to return, participants who initially opt out of the program and later wish to join, as well as consumers who move into the City after the initial 21-day opt-out period will be afforded the opportunity to enroll in the Aggregation Program. However, the City cannot guarantee rates, terms and conditions to consumers enrolling in the Aggregation Program after the initial 21-day opt-out period. Consumers may contact the Aggregation Program Manager to obtain current enrollment information.

Participants who relocate within the City limits and retain the same FirstEnergy account number will be allowed to continue in the Aggregation Program at their new locations under the same terms and conditions as at their former locations (subject to any switching fees imposed by FirstEnergy), provided the FirstEnergy rate classification is the same at both locations for that customer.

Consumers who opt-in to the Aggregation Program do so for the remaining term of the MSA. However, all consumers retain the right to opt-out every three years without paying a switching fee.

The CRES Provider will comply with all local, state and federal rules and regulations regarding discontinuing service to Aggregation Program participants.

#### 5. Rates, Other Costs and Billing

#### 5.1 Electric Supply Charges

The City will aggregate electric loads within the City's corporation limits (including municipal facilities) and negotiate mutually agreeable price terms with CRES Providers for affordable, reliable electric supplies and other related services on behalf of local consumers. The City may pursue this purpose individually or in cooperation with other entities. CRES Providers will supply information on electric supply charges by FirstEnergy customer rate classification or other appropriate pricing category as approved by the City. All electric supply charges will be fully and prominently disclosed in consumer enrollment materials and will be subject to approval by the London City Council.

#### 5.2 FirstEnergy's Regulated Customer Classifications and Rates

FirstEnergy assigns customer rate classifications, character of service and associated regulated rates subject to PUCO approved tariffs. In addition to the CRES Provider's generation charges, consumers will continue to be billed for FirstEnergy's service and delivery charges. Although the City may participate in regulatory

proceedings and represent the interests of consumers regarding these regulated rates, it cannot assign or alter customer rate classifications.

It is the intention of the city to offer its aggregation program to eligible customers in any and all customer classifications, and in all rate categories, for which the CRES Provider can offer a savings compared to FirstEnergy generation cost.

#### 5.3 Developing the Pool of Eligible Accounts

The City shall request FirstEnergy to provide current customer information for all customers within the municipal boundaries. The provided information shall include:

- ~ Customer name;
- ~ Customer service address;
- ~ Customer billing address;
- ~ FirstEnergy customer account number;
- FirstEnergy rate code;
- ~ FirstEnergy PIPP code;
- ~ Customer load data;
- ~ Whether or not a customer has a present contract with a CRES Provider;
- ~ Whether or not customer has a special service contract with FirstEnergy.

From this information, the City and the CRES Provider will develop the pool of customers eligible to participate in the aggregation program, for which the CRES Provider can offer savings.

#### 5.4 Other Costs

Governmental aggregation program participants may be assessed a one time, \$5 switching fee by FirstEnergy. In the event this fee cannot be waived, it fee will be paid by the Aggregation Program participants. The City will not be responsible for paying the switching fee.

#### 5.5 Customer Billing

The CRES Provider will comply with the customer billing requirements of O.R.C. Section 4928.10 and all applicable PUCO rules and regulations. The CRES Provider will use FirstEnergy's "Rate Ready Consolidated Billing" method initially in which each consumer account receives one bill itemizing the CRES Provider's electric supply charges and FirstEnergy's delivery, transition and other PUCO-approved charges. The CRES Provider may provide supplier consolidated billing if and when it becomes available, subject to London City Council approval, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld. Any proposed use of a two-bill option must be approved by the City.

#### 6. CRES Provider Responsibilities

The CRES Provider will work with the City to develop an education plan for retail electric consumers in the City. The City and the CRES Provider will, where practicable, provide consumer education messages that are consistent with the messages of FirstEnergy's local campaign, and the statewide electric consumer education program. The requirements of the City's consumer education plan will be provided in the MSA.

The CRES Provider will build and maintain a database of all Aggregation Program participants. The database will include the name, address, FirstEnergy service delivery identification (SDI) number and may include other pertinent information as agreed upon by the City and the CRES Provider. Such information may include the CRES Provider's account number (if different from FirstEnergy's SDI number), rate code, rider code (if applicable), most recent 12 months of kWh consumption and kW demand, and meter reading cycle. The Aggregation Program database will be updated at least quarterly. The City will have the right to access information in the database for the purposes of auditing.

The City deems any and all information related to an eligible customer to be confidential and proprietary trade secret information. The CRES Provider shall keep all eligible customer information provided to it by the City or FirstEnergy in supplying eligible customers within the City's corporation limit confidential and shall not disclose such information to any third party, unless such disclosure is required to serve any eligible customer, the third party agrees to keep such eligible customer information confidential, and the City consents to the disclosure of such information to the third party.

The CRES Provider will provide and maintain the required Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) computer system to effectively process Aggregation Program enrollments, opt outs, billing, etc, with FirstEnergy.

The CRES Provider will provide a local or toll free telephone number for participant questions and concerns about enrollment, opt-out provisions, billing and other Aggregation Program issues.

The CRES Provider will develop internal controls and processes to help ensure that the City remains in good standing as a governmental aggregator that complies with all laws, rules, and regulations regarding the same as they may be periodically amended.

#### 7. Reliability and Customer Service

For the protection of retail electric consumers in Ohio, the PUCO has adopted rules governing minimum service, quality, safety, and reliability practices for local utilities like FirstEnergy. The rules provide standards for inspection, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the transmission and distribution lines of each local utility. The rules also impose standards on utilities for system operation, reliability, and safety during emergencies and disasters.

FirstEnergy will continue to maintain and service its electric transmission and distribution facilities in the City. Accordingly, the only thing that changes for the FirstEnergy consumers in the City who participate in the Aggregation Program is the generation supplier. For the members of the Aggregation Group, the generation supplier will be the CRES Provider.

The CRES Provider will provide a toll free telephone number and Internet web page for consumer questions and concerns. Customer service protocol will be developed with the CRES Provider.

#### 8. Reliability and Indemnification of Consumers

Blectric service reliability is an essential to Aggregation Program participants. The City will strive to provide high-quality service and reliability through provisions of the CRES Provider contract, through traditional proceedings related to FirstEnergy's regulated transmission and distribution services; and through direct discussions with FirstEnergy concerning specific or general problems related to quality and reliability of its transmission and distribution system.

If for any reason a CRES Provider fails to provide uninterrupted service, the City will attempt to acquire an alternative power supply. If this attempt fails, participants will default to FirstEnergy's Standard Offer Generation Service. In no case will participants be without power as the result of the CRES Provider's failure to provide uninterrupted service. The City will seek to minimize this risk by contracting only with reputable CRES Providers that demonstrate reliable service. The City also intends to include conditions in its CRES Provider contract that will indemnify participants against risks or problems with power supply service and price.

#### 9. Participant Rights

All Aggregation Program participants shall enjoy the protections of law afforded to consumers as they currently exist or as they may be amended from time to time. These include rights to question billings or service quality or service practices. All program participants shall also enjoy the individual right to decline participation in the Aggregation Program subject to the terms and conditions contained herein.

All Aggregation Program participants will be treated equitably. They will be guaranteed the right to raise and resolve disputes with the CRES Provider, be provided all required notices and information; and always retain the right to opt out of the Aggregation Program or switch suppliers subject to the terms and conditions contained herein.

All consumers within the City's corporation limits shall be eligible to participate in the Aggregation Program on a non-discriminatory basis subject to the terms and conditions described herein, Ohio law, PUCO rules and regulation governing electric service, and FirstEnergy's approved tariffs.

Service under the Aggregation Program shall include all eligible customer classes in adherence with universal service principles and requirements, and the traditional nondiscriminatory practices of local government. CRES Provider contracts shall contain provisions to maintain these principles and equitable treatment of all customer classes.

Low-income consumers shall remain subject to all provisions of Ohio law and PUCO rules and regulations as they may be amended from time to time regarding their rights to return to FirstEnergy's Standard Offer Generation Service and participation in the Aggregation Program.

#### 10. Participant Responsibilities

Aggregation Program participants are subject to the same standards and responsibilities as other electric consumers, including payment of billings and access to metering and other equipment necessary to carry out utility operations.

#### 11. Termination of the Aggregation Program

The Aggregation Program may be discontinued upon the termination or expiration of the CRES Provider contract without any extension, renewal or subsequent contract being executed. In the event of Aggregation Program termination, each participant will receive notification 60 days prior to such program termination and can return to FirstEnergy's Standard Generation Offer Service or select another approved CRES Provider.

#### 12. Definitions

"Aggregation" means combining the electric loads of multiple customers for the purposes of supplying or arranging for the supply of competitive retail electric generation service to those customers.

"Aggregation Group" means those eligible retail consumers of FirstEnergy within the corporate limits of the City who do not "opt-out" of the City's aggregation program. The Aggregation Group means those retail residential, commercial, and large use customers whose meters are read on a cycle basis by FirstEnergy within the corporation limits of the City who become participants in the Aggregation Program. "Master Service Agreement" means the contract between the City and the CRES Provider.

"Competitive Retail Electric Service" means a component of retail electric service that is deemed competitive under the Ohio Revised Code or pursuant to an order of the PUCO.

"CRES Provider" means an individual or entity that has been certified by the PUCO to provide competitive retail electric generation, power brokering or power marketing and that has executed a Master Services Agreement with the City.

"City Load" means all City accounts both within and without the corporation limits of the City including, but not limited to, Utilities, Port Control, Public Service, Health, Public Safety, Parks, Recreations and Properties, Community Development, Street Lights and Traffic Signals.

"Consolidated Billing" means combining FirstEnergy's charges and the CRES Provider's charges on one billing statement.

"Governmental Aggregator" means a municipality that provides aggregation services.

"PIPP" means Percentage of Income Payment Plan Program as prescribed in PUCO Rules 4901:1-18-02(B)-(G) and 4901:1-18-04(B) of the Ohio Administrative Code.

"Power Marketer" means a certified electric supplier that takes title to electricity, capacity and other services from electric power generators and other wholesale suppliers and then resells those services to end-use customers.

"Rate Ready Billing" means a billing method in which the non-billing party provides rate information to the billing party sufficient to calculate the non-billing party's charges.

13. <u>Governmental Aggregator's Customer Service Procedures and Dispute Resolution</u> The Aggregation Program only impacts the source of electric power supply. Ohio Edison will continue to deliver the electricity purchased through the Aggregation Program to participants' homes and businesses through its electrical power distribution system. Participants with question or concerns regarding service delivery or safety, such as an electrical outage should continue to contact Ohio Edison at 888-544-4877. Meter reading or other billing questions should also be directed to Ohio Edison at 800-447-3333. Questions regarding Aggregation Program enrollment or opting out should be directed to the CRES Provider. General questions and concerns should be directed to either the Ohio Consumer's Counselor the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio.

Dispute Procedures: Contact FES with any questions concerning the terms of service by phone at 1-888-254-6359 (toll-free) M-F 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST or in writing at 341 White Pond Drive, Attn: Contract Administration, Akron, OH 44320. Our web address is www.fes.com. If your complaint is not resolved after you have called your electric supplier and/or your electric utility, or for general utility information, residential and business customers may contact the PUCO for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) M-F 8:00 a.m to 5:00 pm EST or at www.puco.ohio.gov. Hearing or speech impaired customers may contact the PUCO via 7-1-1 (Ohio Relay Service). The Ohio Consumers' Counsel ("OCC") represents residential utility customers in matters before the PUCO. The OCC can be contacted at 1-877-742-5622 (toll free) M-F 8:00 am to 5:00 pm EST, or at www.pickocc.org.

# Exhibit B-3: Opt-out Disclosure Notice





<FULLNAME> <MAILING ADDRESS\_1> <MAILING ADDRESS\_2> <CITY>, <ST> <ZIP+4>

Hi <Contact\_First\_NM>,

Welcome to the City of London Electric Aggregation Program

October 14, 2021

Secure Rate

We are pleased to let you know that the City of London has chosen Dynegy to be the preferred electricity supplier for you and your neighbors through its Electric Aggregation Program. In November 2000, your community gave 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 4.64 cents per kWh through your December 2025 meter read.
Nothing will change! Continue to receive one monthly bill from your local utility, Ohio Edison. You'll notice that Dynegy will now show as a line item for the supply portion on your bill.
Ohio Edison will send you a confirmation letter after your enrollment is finalized.

### Don't want to participate?

Just complete and return the reply card below or call Dynegy at 888-682-2170 by November 4, 2021. 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 Ohio Edison 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 <a href="https://www.dynegy.com/municipal-aggregation/communities-we-serve/Ohio/London">https://www.dynegy.com/municipal-aggregation/communities-we-serve/Ohio/London</a>.

With much appreciation,			
City of London & Dynegy	See Reverse for Frequently Asked Questions		

### Community: City of London

I do not wish to take advantage of the favorable rate negotiated through the **City of London** Electric Aggregation Program. By checking this box, I understand that my electricity account will not be included in the program.

This opt-out card must be post marked by November 4, 2021 and mailed to Dynegy, PO Box 650764 Dallas, Texas, 75265-0764

Customer Name	Customer 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?

Call Dynegy 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. Or you can email

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 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 4.64 cents kWh through your December 2025 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 DESE wishes to lower the Price due to a change in market conditions, DESE may do so without Customer's consent provided there are no other changes to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

**4. 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.

**5. 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 twelvemonth 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.

6. 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.

7. 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.

**8. 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.

**9. 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.

**10. 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 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.

**11. 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,

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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 <u>http://www.puco.ohio.gov</u>. 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.

**12. 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.

**13.** 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.

**14. 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).

DESE has no control over Regulatory Events. If any Regulatory Event makes this Agreement uneconomic or unprofitable for DESE, Customer agrees that DESE may propose new contract terms to Customer, including, without limitation, an increased price for the electricity delivered by DESE under this Agreement. If DESE proposes new contract terms in accordance with this clause, DESE will provide written notice to the Customer that identifies (1) the Regulatory Event(s) at issue, (2) the new contract terms proposed by DESE, 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, DESE 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 DESE, after which Customer will return to Customer's electric utility or another CRES provider of Customer's choosing for electricity; alternatively, DESE 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 <u>dynegycustomerservice@dynegy.com</u>, 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 <u>https://www.dynegy.com/electric-supplier</u>.

# Exhibit B-4: Experience and Plans

The City of London routinely negotiates for services and supplies that benefit the residents of the Village. Due to the complexity of governmental aggregation, the City of London has a valid contract with Dynegy Energy Services (East), LLC ("Dynegy") to provide retail electric generation service for the City of London governmental aggregation program. Dynegy currently provides competitive retail electric generation services throughout Ohio as a PUCO-certified CRES provider (PUCO Case No. 04-1323-EL-CRS; Certificate No 04-124E).

Under the terms of the contract, Dynegy will provide services necessary to administer and support the governmental aggregation program. Dynegy has extensive experience with community-based aggregation and endorsement programs. Dynegy's employees are experienced with the governmental aggregation process, including customer enrollments and the opt-out process. Dynegy has contracted with an outside vendor to provide a 24/7 call center to support Dynegy's customer programs, including the City of London governmental aggregation program. Through its call center, Dynegy will respond to any customer inquiries or complaints regarding the electricity and aggregation services for the residents who participate in the program. The City of London will respond to all other questions regarding its governmental aggregation program.

Dynegy will use the local electric distribution utility for billing services. In addition, as permitted by Ohio Administrative Code 4901:1-21-16(G), the City of London has selected Dynegy to perform certain functions as its agent, including submitting certain filings with the PUCO and assisting the City of London in its compliance with the rules adopted pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 4928.10. As provided in Ohio Administrative Code 4901:1-21-16(G), the City of London remains responsible for compliance with all applicable laws and rules.

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