

DIS Case Number: 13-2435-EL-GAG

Section A: Application Information

A-1. Applicant's legal name, address, telephone number, and web site address

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Legal Name: Concord Township (Delaware Country: United States

County)

Phone: Extension (if applicable): Street: 6385 Home Rd.,

7408815338

Website (if any): City: Delaware Province/State: OH

Postal Code: 43015

A-2. Contact person for regulatory matters

Ron Michalak 875 N High Street, Suite 300 Columbus, OH 43215 US rmichalak@trebelllc.com 6143248937

A-3. Contact person for Commission Staff use in investigating customer complaints

Ron Michalak 875 N High Street, Suite 300 Columbus, OH 43215 US rmichalak@trebelllc.com 6143248937

A-4. Applicant's address and toll-free number for customer service complaints

Phone: 6143248937 Extension (if Country: United States

applicable):



Fax: Extension (if applicable): Street: 875 N. High Street Suite 300

Postal Code: 43215

B-1. Authorizing ordinance

Provide a copy of the adopted ordinance or resolution that reflects voter authorization to form a governmental aggregation program pursuant to Sections 4929.26 and 4929.27 of the Ohio Revised Code.

File(s) attached.

B-2. Operation and governance plans

Provide a copy of the applicant's plan for operation and governance of its aggregation program adopted pursuant to Sections 4929.26(C) or 4929.27(B) of the Revised Code. The Operation and Governance Plan should include all information pursuant to Rule 4901:1-28-03 of the Ohio Administrative Code.

Files(s) attached.

B-3. Opt-out disclosure notice

If the aggregation program provides for automatic aggregation in accordance with Section 4929.26(A) of the Revised Code, provide a copy of the disclosure notification required by Section 4929.26(D) of the Revised Code.

File(s) uploaded

B-4. Experience and Plans

Provide a description of the applicant's experience in providing the service(s) for which it is applying (e.g. number and type of customers served, utility service areas, amount of load, etc.). Also provide the plan for contracting with customers, providing contracted services, providing billing statements, and responding to customer inquiries and complaints in accordance with Commission rules adopted pursuant to Section 4928.10 of the Revised Code.



File(s) attached

Application Attachments

Exhibit A-5 "Experience"

Applicant's Experience and Plan for Providing Aggregation Services:

	Due to the complexity of governmental aggregation, the applicant
"	will rely on the energy consulting services of Trebel, LLC to assist them in
desig	gning, implementing and maintaining the Program. Trebel, LLC is a PUCO certified Electric
Aggr	egator/Broker (certificate #14-867E(3) and Natural Gas Aggregator/Broker (certificate #12-
2670	G(4)). Trebel, LLC has experience in managing numerous governmental programs in the Ohio
marl	ket.

Below is a detailed summary of services being provided:

Broker shall provide energy related Services, including but not limited to the following:

- Assist with the preparation and submission of Governmental Aggregation application for the Public Utilities of Oho ("PUCO");
- Assist with preparation of resolutions, public notices, Plan of Operations and Governance, and communications with residents;
- Evaluate existing electric and or natural gas costs and rates and provide market expertise;
- Where applicable prepare Request of Proposal (RFP);
- Assist with usage data collection and verification;
- Pre-screen all energy suppliers and act as point of contact;
- Work directly with suppliers to meet all requirements related to local governments aggregation plan. This includes preparation of all notifications required to be sent to participants;
- Act as an exclusive sourcing agent with the suppliers;
- Assist with preparation of ongoing reporting requirements of the PUCO; and

Trebel, LLC is a national energy consulting company serving commercial, governmental, small business and residential clients primarily throughout the deregulated energy markets. Our primary mission is to help clients by lowering their energy supply cost, increase site efficiency and leverage state and federal incentive opportunities.





April 3, 2023

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

Case No. 13-2435-EL-GAG

RE: Opt out Letter(s) — Concord Township, Delaware County, OH.

Concord Township is pleased to submit its final copy of Opt-out letter(s) to be sent to all eligible customers on April 13th, 2023, with the response deadline on May 4th, 2023.

Material provided for review:

Residential and Business Opt-out letter.

Should you have any questions or additional needs, please call me at (877)861-2772.

Sincerely,

Scott R. Belcastro Principal 614.425.4885 scott@electricsuppliers.org

Enclosure

Concord Township (Delaware) Electric Aggregation Program Notification



<FULLNAME>
<MAILING ADDRESS_1>
<MAILING ADDRESS_2>
<CITY>, <ST> <ZIP+4>

April 13, 2023

Dear Township Residents and Businesses.

Concord Township is providing you with the opportunity to participate in the Township's Electric Governmental Aggregation Program. Savings are possible through a concept called government aggregation, where Township officials bring together citizens to gain group-buying power for the purchase of Electric from a retail supplier. Both the Township and supplier are certified by the Public Utilities Commissions of Ohio. Township voters approved this program in November 2013. The aggregation program for Concord Township will begin within one to two billing periods following your inclusion as a participant in the Township's program and end with your June 2025 meter reading. As an eligible resident or small business, you will be automatically enrolled in the program unless you choose to opt-out (not participate) by May 4, 2023.

During the past few months, we have researched options for competitive electric pricing for you. Concord Township is pleased to announce it has selected Dynegy as the preferred electricity supplier for its program.

Program Details:

- Fixed Electricity Price of 6.920¢ per kWh through your June 2025 meter reading. Or choose 100% renewable energy for 7.340¢ per kWh. Please call us for this option.
- One energy bill from Ohio Edison, your local utility provider.
- . No Fee to cancel at any time.
- By receiving this letter, you do not need to do anything to be a part of the program.
- Ohio Edison continues to deliver your electricity and maintain the electric lines and respond to emergencies.

Program Enrollment

After your enrollment is finalized, Ohio Edison will send you a letter confirming your enrollment. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your ability to rescind your enrollment with no penalty.

How to Opt-Out

If you do not wish to participate, you must opt-out no later than **May 4, 2023**. You can do this by completing and returning the reply card below or by calling 888-682-2170.

If you choose to opt out (not participate), you may do so at no charge during this initial enrollment period and you will not be served by Dynegy. If you become part of the aggregation, you may cancel the agreement at any time at no charge by providing notice to Dynegy. 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 your utility under its standard service offer or until you choose an alternative supplier. 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.

For questions, contact Dynegy at DynegyCustomerService@dynegy.com, call 888-682-2170 or visit https://www.dynegy.com/municipal-aggregation/communities-we-serve/Ohio/Concord. Please see the enclosed Terms and Conditions for full details regarding the rate option and other terms of the program.

Regards,							
Concord Township & Dynegy							
Community: Concord Township							
I do not want to participate in the Concord Township Electric Aggregation Program. By checking this box, I understand that my account will not be included in the program.							
This opt out must be post marked by May 4, 2023 and mailed to Dynegy, PO Box 650764 Dallas, TX 75265-0764							
Customer Name							
Customer Number < <customer number="">></customer>							
Service Address < <service address="">></service>							
Service Address < <service address="">></service>							
SignatureDate							



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 - 8:00 pm EST. During all other hours please 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 \$0.06920 per kWh (or \$0.07340 per kWh for those opting into the Green Energy Program) through your June 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. 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.**
- **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 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

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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).

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 – 8:00 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.



Resolution No. 0708/3-2

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO EFFECT A GOVERNMENTAL ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM WITH OPT-OUT PROVISIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 4928.20 OHIO REVISED CODE AND DIRECTING THE <u>Pelaware</u> COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO SUBMIT A BALLOT QUESTION TO THE ELECTORS.

WHEREAS, the Ohio Legislature enacted electric deregulation legislation ("Am. Sub. S.B. No. 3"), which authorized the legislative authorities of municipal corporations, townships, and counties to aggregate the retail electrical loads located within the respective jurisdictions and to enter into service agreements to facilitate for those loads the purchase and sale of electricity; and

WHEREAS, such legislative authorities may exercise said authority jointly with any other legislative authorities; and

WHEREAS, governmental aggregation provides an opportunity for residential and small business consumers to participate collectively in the potential benefits of electricity deregulation through lower electricity rates, which would not otherwise be available to those electricity customers individually; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of <u>Concord</u> Township ("Trustees") seeks to establish a governmental aggregation program with opt-out provisions pursuant to Section 4928.20, Ohio Revised Code, for the residents, businesses and other electric consumers in the Township, and may be in conjunction with any other legislative authorities in the State of Ohio, as permitted by law (the "Aggregation Program").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of Concord Township, <u>Delaware</u> County, Ohio that:

Section 1: The Board finds and determines that it is in the best interest of the Township, its residents, businesses and other electric consumers located within the corporate limits of the Township to establish an Aggregation Program in the Township. Provided that the Aggregation Program is approved by the electors of the Township pursuant to Section 2 of this Resolution, the Board is hereby authorized to automatically aggregate, in accordance with Section 4928.20, Ohio Revised Code, the retail electric loads located within the Township, and, for that purpose, to enter into service

operation and governance for the Aggregation Program. Before adopting such plan, this Board shall hold at least two public hearings on the plan. Before the first hearing, notice of the hearings shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township. The notice shall summarize the plan and state the date, time and place of each hearing. No plan adopted by this Board shall aggregate the electric load of any electric load center within the Township unless it, in advance, clearly discloses to the person owning, occupying, controlling, or using the load center that the person will be enrolled automatically in the Aggregation Program and will remain so enrolled unless the person affirmatively elects by a stated procedure not to be so enrolled. The disclosure shall state prominently the rates, charges, and other terms and conditions of enrollment. The stated procedure shall allow any person enrolled in the Aggregation Program the opportunity to opt-out of the program at least every three years, without paying a switching fee. Any such person who opts out of the Aggregation Program pursuant to the stated procedure shall default to the standard service offer provided under Section 4928.141 of the Ohio Revised Code, until the person chooses an alternative supplier.

Section 4: It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board and that the deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were in meetings open to the public, incompliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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Trustee

Trustee

Concord Township ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM

OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE PLAN

Adopted 12-9-2013

Created By:



I. Overview

At the November 5, 2013 election, a majority of voters authorized Concord Township ("Township") to create a form of government electric aggregation known as "opt-out" aggregation and to create an 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 Township's 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 Township's purpose in creating the Aggregation Program is to represent local consumer interests in emerging competitive electricity markets by combining multiple electric loads within the Township's limits and negotiating affordable, reliable electric supplies and other related services on behalf of local consumers. The Township may pursue this purpose individually or in cooperation with other legislative authorities.

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

The Aggregation Program is designed to combine multiple electric loads in order to obtain the best electric generation rate available for those who participate in the Aggregation Program, and to gain other favorable economic and non-economic terms in supply agreements. The Township will not buy and resell power, but will act as the agent for the Aggregation Program, representing the collective interests of the consumers in the Township to establish the terms and conditions for service. Through a negotiation process, the Township and its Consultant 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 five years).

The Aggregation Program covers the power supply or generation portion only of a Participant's electric bill. AEP or Ohio Edison, as applicable, will continue to deliver electricity to Aggregation Program Participants' homes and businesses through the electric transmission and distribution system as an electric distribution utility function regulated by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO). AEP and Ohio Edison will also continue to install, operate and maintain their systems of poles, wires, transformers and other electric distribution components. Aggregation Program Participants should continue to call AEP or Ohio Edison, as applicable, if their power goes out or if they have billing questions. The PUCO will continue to oversee AEP and Ohio Edison's electric safety and reliability service standards.

II. Process

Under an opt-out aggregation program, each eligible consumer within the Township's boundaries initially will be automatically included in the Aggregation Program on a non-discriminatory basis. However, prior to actual enrollment, each consumer for whom electric rates, terms and conditions have been negotiated will receive a notice from the Township 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 additional fees charged. Consumers opting out of the program will remain on AEP's or Ohio Edison's Standard Offer Generation Service, as applicable, until such time as they select an approved CRES Provider. If the term of the Aggregation Program is longer than three years, 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 or penalty.

Participants who leave the Aggregation Program and wish to return, as well as consumers who move into the Township after the initial opt-out period, will be afforded the opportunity to enroll in the Aggregation Program. However, the Township 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 Township's limits and retain the same electric account number will be allowed to continue in the Aggregation Program at their new location under the same terms and conditions as at their former location, provided the utility rate classification is the same at both locations, and subject to any switching fees imposed by the utility.

The Township, through its Consultant, will negotiate a contract 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 Township's Consultant on behalf of local consumers.

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

After adoption of this Plan of Operation and Governance by resolution or ordinance pursuant to Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code, the Township will file with the PUCO for governmental aggregator certification and also register as a governmental aggregator with AEP or Ohio Edison.

III. Plan of Operation and Governance

A. Definitions

- 1. **Aggregation:** Combining the electric loads of multiple customers for the purpose of supplying or arranging for the supply of competitive retail electric service to those customers.
- 2. Aggregation Program Manager or Consultant: The individual/company retained by Township to oversee the operation and management of the Township's Aggregation Program.
- 3. Competitive Retail Electric Service (CRES): A component of retail electric service that is deemed competitive under the Ohio Revised Code or pursuant to an order of the PUCO. This includes, but is not limited to, the services provided by competitive retail electric service providers, power marketers, aggregators, and governmental aggregators.
- 4. Competitive Retail Electric Service Provider (CRES Provider): A person or entity certified by the PUCO and registered with an electric distribution utility which supplies or offers to supply a competitive retail electric service over an electric distribution utility's transmission and/or distribution system. This term does not apply to an electric distribution utility in its provision of standard offer generation service.
- 5. **Consumer:** Any person or entity that is an end user of electricity and is connected to any part of the applicable electric distribution utility's transmission or distribution system within the Township's boundaries.
- 6. **Delivery Charge:** Charge imposed by the electric distribution utility for delivering electricity to a consumer's home or business. The charge includes meter reading, billing, maintaining electric system reliability and responding during emergencies and outages (also called a distribution charge).
- 7. **Distribution:** The delivery of electricity to a consumer's home or business over an electric distribution utility's local poles, wires, transformers, substations, and other equipment. Electric distribution utilities' distribution system operations are regulated by the PUCO.
- 8. **Electric-Related Service:** A service that is directly related to the consumption of electricity at a consumer's home or business. This may include, but is not limited to, the installation of demand side management measures at a consumer's premises, the maintenance, repair or replacement of appliances, lighting, motors or other energy-consuming devices at a

- consumer's premises, and the provision of energy consumption measurement and billing services.
- 9. **Electric Supply Charge:** All charges related to the generation of electricity by the CRES Provider.
- 10. Governmental Aggregator: An incorporated village or city, township, or county acting as an aggregator for the provision of a CRES under authority conferred by Section 4928.20 of the Ohio Revised Code.
- 11. **Kilowatt-hour (kWh):** A kilowatt-hour is 1,000 watts of electricity used for one hour. For example, a 1,000-watt appliance operating for one hour will consume one kilowatt-hour of electricity. Consumers are charged for electricity in cents per kilowatt-hour.
- 12. Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC): The Ohio Consumers' Counsel (OCC) was established by the Ohio Legislature in 1976 to represent the interests of Ohio's residential utility customers served by investor-owned utilities in proceedings before the PUCO, other regulatory agencies, and in the courts.
- 13. **Participant:** An eligible consumer enrolled in the Township's Aggregation Program.
- 14. Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO): The state agency charged with assuring that all residential and business consumers have access to adequate, safe, and reliable utility services at fair prices, while facilitating an environment that provides competitive choices.
- 15. Standard Offer Generation Service: The electric generation service a consumer will receive from its default electric service provider if the customer does not choose a CRES Provider.

B. Aggregation Program Management

Due to the complexity of the electric utility industry, the Township has entered into an Energy Management and Consulting Agreement with the Consultant to provide the necessary expertise to represent the Township's interests in legislative and regulatory matters and to serve as the Aggregation Program Manager. Such services may include, but are not limited to, overall management of the Aggregation Program, facilitating consumer enrollment and the opt-out process, assisting with consumer education, addressing consumer questions and concerns, providing reports on program operation, negotiating CRES Provider contracts, providing analysis and review of the Township's energy service usage and costs, and providing consulting services to aggregate

and procure energy and/or energy-related services, product, and accounts, and representing the Township in dealings with CRES Providers, the Ohio Legislature, the PUCO, and the OCC.

The CRES Provider's rates will include an administrative fee, which shall be collected on behalf of the Township to fund the implementation and administration of the Township's Aggregation Program, including consulting fees. The administrative fee may be adjusted annually to cover the Township's cost of administering the program.

Oversight of the Aggregation Program will be the responsibility of the Township's Consultant, in consultation with the Township. The Consultant, in consultation with the Township, will have the authority to develop specifications for the Aggregation Program. The CRES Provider will work under the direction of the Consultant with the advice and counsel of the Township.

C. Selection of a CRES Provider and Contract

The Township will not buy and resell power to Aggregation Program Participants. The Township, through its Consultant, will negotiate with potential CRES providers to provide affordable, reliable electric supplies, and other electric-related services on behalf of local consumers. The Township will consider cooperating with other governmental aggregators if it appears beneficial to do so.

Through a negotiation process driven by its Consultant, the Township will develop a contract with a CRES Provider or Providers for firm, all-requirements service. Each Aggregation Program Participant shall be individually bound by the terms and conditions found in the opt-out notice and the contract and shall be solely responsible for payment and performance. The Township will contract only with a CRES Provider that possesses, at a minimum, the following criteria:

- 1. Is certified as a CRES Provider by the PUCO;
- 2. Is registered with AEP and/or Ohio Edison, as applicable;
- 3. Has a service agreement under AEP and/or Ohio Edison's Open Access Transmission Tariff, as applicable;
- 4. Has successfully completed Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) computer system testing with AEP and/or Ohio Edison, and the CRES Provider's EDI computer system is capable of effectively processing Aggregation Program EDI transactions in a timely manner;

- 5. Will maintain a database of Aggregation Program Participants, which will include all necessary information for the CRES Provider, Township, and Consultant to serve and manage the Aggregation Program;
- 6. Meet standards of creditworthiness established by the Township;
- 7. Has or has arranged for a customer call center capable of effectively handling Participants' questions, concerns and disputes in a timely manner using a toll-free telephone number;
- 8. Hold the Township harmless from any financial obligations arising from offering electricity and/or energy-related services to Aggregation Program Participants; and
- 9. Will assist the Township and its Consultant with the filing of reports required by Ohio law and the PUCO.

The CRES Provider's contract will run for a fixed term (i.e., one to five years) and contain all pricing, charges, switching fees, etc. in clear and easily understandable terms.

The Township will require any CRES Provider to disclose any subcontractors that it uses in fulfillment of the services described herein.

D. Electric Supply Charges

The Township, through its Consultant, will aggregate electric loads within the Township's applicable boundaries (including Township facilities) and negotiate mutually agreeable pricing, terms, and conditions of service with the CRES Provider for affordable, reliable electric supplies and other related services on behalf of Participants. The Township may pursue this purpose individually or in cooperation with other entities. CRES Providers will supply information on electric supply charges by utility customer rate classification or other appropriate pricing category as approved by the Township. All electric supply charges will be fully and prominently disclosed in consumer enrollment materials, the opt-out notice, and will be subject to approval by the Township.

E. AEP's and Ohio Edison's Regulated Customer Classifications and Rates

The applicable electric distribution utility 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 AEP's/Ohio Edison's service and delivery charges, as applicable. Although the Township 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 Township to offer its Aggregation Program to eligible residential and non-mercantile commercial customers in any and all customer classifications, and in all rate categories, for which the CRES Provider can offer a savings compared to the electric distribution utility's avoidable costs or price to compare.

F. Developing the Pool of Eligible Accounts

The Township or its Consultant shall request the electric distribution utility to provide current customer information for all customers within the Township's boundaries. The provided information shall include the following:

- Customer name;
- Customer service address;
- Customer billing address;
- Electric distribution utility customer account number;
- Electric distribution utility rate code;
- Electric distribution utility PIPP code;
- Customer load data;
- Whether or not a customer has a present contract with a CRES Provider; and
- Whether or not a customer has a special service contract with the electric distribution utility.

From this information, the Township, its Consultant, 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.

G. Initial Consumer Notification and Enrollment

After contract approval by the Township and its Consultant, the CRES Provider will work with the Township, its Consultant, and the electric distribution utility to identify all eligible consumers within the Township's boundaries.

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 Aggregation Program. Consumers will be given 21 days from the postmark date of the opt-out letter in which to notify the Township that they wish to opt out of, or decline participation in, the Aggregation Program without penalty fees. Consumers opting out of the program will remain on the applicable utility's Standard Offer Generation Service until such time as they select an approved CRES Provider.

Consumers may opt out of the Aggregation Program by returning a post card or other form provided in the opt-out letter.

After the initial 21-day opt out period has elapsed, all eligible consumers who have not notified the Township of their desire to opt out of the Aggregation Program will be enrolled automatically by the CRES Provider at the earliest date practicable. No other affirmative steps will be required of consumers in order to be included in the Aggregation Program as Participants.

Consumers ineligible to participate in the Aggregation Program include those customer accounts that are located outside the Township's boundaries, customers who are already in contract with a CRES provider, customers in a "special rate" contract with an electric distribution utility, and Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP) consumers and consumers whose accounts are not current with their present electric distribution utility, as appropriate. 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 letter from their electric distribution utility notifying them of their enrollment. Consumers will have seven calendar days to notify the electric distribution utility of any objection to their enrollment in the Aggregation Program. The applicable electric distribution utility will notify the CRES Provider of consumer objections or any reason that a consumer was not enrolled in the Aggregation Program and the CRES Provider will maintain a list of customers who have opted out under the Aggregation Program rules.

The CRES Provider will report to the Township the status of the Aggregation Program enrollment on at least a quarterly basis.

H. Leaving the Aggregation Program

In addition to the initial 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 or penalty as required by law and PUCO rules. 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 Township, may be subject to an early termination fee and may not be served under the same rates, terms and conditions that apply to other customers served by the electric distribution utility.

Any consumer who opts out of the Aggregation Program during the initial opt-out period or subsequent opt-out periods will be returned to their electric distribution utility's Standard Offer Generation Service until such time as the consumer selects another approved CRES Provider.

I. CRES Provider Responsibilities

The CRES Provider will build and maintain a database of all Aggregation Program Participants. The database will include the name, address, utility service delivery identification (SDI) number, and other pertinent information as agreed upon by the Township, Consultant, and the CRES Provider. Such information may include the CRES Provider's account number (if different from utility'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 Township will have the right to access information in the database for purposes of auditing.

The CRES Provider will provide and maintain the required Electronic Data Interchange computer system to effectively process Aggregation Program enrollments, opt outs, billing, etc., with the applicable electric distribution utility.

The CRES Provider will provide a local or toll-free telephone number for Participant questions or 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 Township 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.

J. 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, and consumers who move into the Township after the initial opt-out period will be afforded the opportunity to enroll in the Aggregation Program. However, the Township 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 CRES Provider or Township's consultant to obtain current enrollment information.

Participants who relocate within the Township limits and retain the same electric utility account number will be allowed to continue in the Aggregation Program at their new location under the same terms and conditions as at their former location, provided the electric utility rate classification is the same at both locations, and subject to any switching fees imposed by the consumer's former electric distribution utility. The CRES Provider will comply with all local, state and federal rules and regulations regarding discontinuing service to Aggregation Program Participants.

K. Billing

At this time, the Township plans to utilize the applicable electric distribution utility's consolidated billing service in which each consumer account receives one bill itemizing the CRES Provider's electric supply charges and electric distribution utility's delivery, and other PUCO-approved charges. The billing statement will be consistent with applicable PUCO rules and regulations. The Township will consider other billing options, including CRES Provider consolidated or dual billing, if and when they become available and if it appears advantageous to do so.

L. Questions and Concerns

The Aggregation Program only impacts the source of generation or power supply. The applicable electric distribution utility will continue to deliver the electricity purchased through the Aggregation Program to Participants' homes and businesses through its electric transmission and distribution system.

Participants with question or concerns regarding service delivery or safety, such as a power outage, a downed power line, sparking power lines or equipment, low voltage, etc., should continue to contact their electric distribution utility. Meter reading or other billing questions should also be directed to AEP or Ohio Edison, as applicable. Questions regarding Aggregation Program enrollment and opting out should be directed to the CRES Provider. Any other general questions regarding the Aggregation Program should be directed to the Township's Consultant.

Question or Concern	Contact	Phone Number
Power outage or interruption	AEP	1-800-672-2231
	Ohio Edison	1-888-544-4877
Connect/disconnect service	AEP	1-800-672-2231
No. 19	Ohio Edison	1-800-633-4766
Meter reading/billing	AEP	1-800-672-2231
	Ohio Edison	1-800-633-4766
Enrollment in or opting out of Aggregation Program	CRES Provider	1-888-995-0992
Aggregation Program	Trebel LLC 1-877-861-2772	
Questions or Concerns		
Unresolved disputes	Public Utilities	1-800-686-7826 (voice)
	Commission of Ohio	1-800-686-1570 (TDD)

M. Reliability and Indemnification of Consumers

Electric service reliability is essential to Aggregation Program Participants. The Township will strive to provide high-quality service and reliability through provisions of the CRES Provider contract, through traditional proceedings related to your electric distribution utility's regulated transmission and distribution services, and through direct discussions with your electric distribution utility 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 Township and its Consultant will attempt to acquire an alternative power supply. If this attempt fails, Participants will default to the applicable electric utility's Standard Offer Generation Service. In no case will Participants be without power as a result of the CRES Provider's failure to provide the supply of generation. The Township and its Consultant will seek to minimize this risk by contracting only with reputable CRES Providers that have demonstrated reliable service. The Township, through its Consultant, also intends to include conditions in its CRES Provider contract that will indemnify Participants against risks or problems with power supply service and price.

N. 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 consumers 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 rights 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 Township's boundaries 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 applicable electric utilities' approved tariffs.

Service under the Aggregation Program shall include all eligible customer classes in adherence with universal service principles and requirements, as well as the traditional non-discriminatory 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 the applicable electric utility's Standard Offer Generation Service and participation in the Aggregation Program.

O. 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.

P. 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 written notification of the termination at least 60 days prior to such program termination and will have the option to return to the applicable electric utility's Standard Generation Offer Service or select another approved CRES Provider.

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Competitive Retail Electric Service Affidavit

Township	of Concor	rd	:	
County of	Delaware	;		
State of	Ohio	:		
1	BartJohn	TON		 , 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 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 4928.09, 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 Staffuse 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 sayoth naught.

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