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MARLBOROUGH ANNOUNCES LOWER STABLE RATE FOR ENERGY PROGRAM

MARLBOROUGH, MA – The City of Marlborough has signed a thirty-six month contract with its current supplier, First Point Power. Beginning with the November 2025 meter reads, the Marlborough Community Choice Power Supply Program will have a new rate of \$0.13782 per kWh for a 100 percent green product derived from National Wind Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs).

For Marlborough residents and businesses who are enrolled in the City's Program, the current rate of \$0.14150 per kWh will expire and the new rate of \$0.13782 per kWh will take effect with the November 2025 meter reads. This represents a decrease of \$2 per month on the supply side of the bill given average usage of 600 kWh. In addition, this new rate is 11 percent lower than National Grid's Residential Basic Service rate of \$0.15484 per kWh. Residents can expect to see an average savings of \$10 per month for the months of Novmeber 2025 through January 2026.

Marlborough launched its electricity program in June 2007 in an effort to develop an energy program that would be stable and affordable. From inception through March 2025, the Program has saved residents and small businesses over \$37.6 million in electricity costs as compared to Basic Service.

It is important to note that <u>no action is required</u> by current participants. This change will be seen on the December 2025 bills. All accounts currently enrolled in the Program will see the new rate and First Point Power under the "Supply Services" section of their monthly bill.

The Marlborough Community Choice Power Supply Program has no fees or charges. However, anyone switching from a contract with a third-party supplier may be subject to penalties or early termination fees charged by that supplier. Ratepayers should verify terms before switching.

Basic Service rates change twice a year or more, depending on rate class. As a result, the aggregation rate may not always be lower than the Basic Service rate. The goal is to procure competitive electric supply offers that provide stability and predictability for Program participants and focus on obtaining rates that are lower than National Grid Basic Service. However, future savings cannot be guaranteed.

National Grid has several programs to help income-eligible families and customers needing special assistance meet their energy needs. To learn more visit nationalgridus.com/MA-Home/Bill-Help/Payment-Assistance-Programs.

Residents may also visit <u>colonialpowergroup.com/marlborough</u> or call (866) 485-5858 ext. 1 to learn more about Marlborough's Community Choice Power Supply Program or to optiout.



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