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TOWN OF SHUTESBURY

DATE: 10/02/25

A Message on Behalf of the Shutesbury Select Board:

After the unanimous vote at the June 2023 Annual Town Meeting, the Town of Shutesbury is finally launching a community choice electricity program. By levying our collective buying power, this program will allow residents and businesses within the Town to purchase electricity at a stable rate. Full details of this program are in the attached insert and online here at <https://shutesbury.org/ecac.cca>. Important take-aways include:

- Consumers on National Grid Basic Service will automatically be enrolled in the program at the lowest rate.
- Consumers may select for a higher rate an option with additional renewable energy certificates.
- Consumers can opt-out or in at any time, even after the initial 30-day opt-out period.
- Colonial Power Group will provide ongoing community education and support for this program. Please review any mailings you receive from them.

The Town is committed to working towards affordable and stable electric rates, however, the program cannot guarantee cost savings. The community choice electricity program rates are fixed for a duration of 35 months, in contrast to National Grid's Basic Service rates which change twice per year. Through the collective buying process, Shutesbury's new default supply rate is currently lower than National Grid's Basic Service rate. If at any time National Grid's Basic Service rates are lower than the Community Choice Electricity program, consumers can opt-out of the program to take advantage of lower service rates — and vice versa — with no penalty.

Please join us for a community information session hosted by Colonial Power Group, our aggregation consultant, on October 21 at 6:30PM. The meeting will be posted on www.mytowngovernment.org/01072. We are excited to be able to offer this community choice electricity program to our community and invite you to participate and take advantage of its benefits.

Sincerely,

Hayley Bolton
Town Administrator



THE TOWN OF SHUTESBURY’S
COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM
CONSUMER NOTIFICATION

October 15, 2025

Dear Shutesbury Basic Service Consumer:

The Town of Shutesbury is pleased to announce that **First Point Power** (“First Point”) has been selected as the supplier for its Community Choice Power Supply Program (“Program”). This Program is a municipal aggregation which enables local government to combine the purchasing power of its residents and businesses to provide them with an alternative to National Grid Basic Service (M.G.L. c. 164, § 134). This Program only affects the supply portion of your monthly bill. It will not affect the delivery portion of your monthly bill. National Grid will continue to deliver your electricity but Shutesbury has chosen the supplier for the Program. First Point will provide electric power supply for all consumers currently on Basic Service in Shutesbury. This letter is intended to tell you about this Program for electric power supply. In accordance with state law, it also informs you of your rights and options if you choose not to participate in the Program.

- ✓ **YOU WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY ENROLLED IN THIS PROGRAM** unless you choose not to participate and opt-out.
- ✓ **YOU MUST RESPOND BY NOVEMBER 18, 2025** if you do not wish to be automatically enrolled.

YOU WILL NOT NOTICE ANY CHANGE IN YOUR ELECTRICITY SERVICE. The only difference you will see is that First Point will be printed under the “Supply Services” section of your monthly bill. You will continue to receive one bill from National Grid. You will continue to send your payments to National Grid for processing. National Grid will continue to respond to emergencies, read meters and maintain the distribution and transmission lines. Reliability and quality of service will remain the same. Furthermore, you will continue to have all existing consumer rights and protections.

COMPARATIVE RATES AND TERMS

	Shutesbury’s Program* (Supply Services Only)		National Grid** (Supply Services Only)
Rate	STANDARD (default)	OPTIONAL	BASIC SERVICE
Residential	\$0.14164 per kWh	\$0.16816 per kWh	\$0.15484 per kWh
Commercial/Streetlight	\$0.14164 per kWh	\$0.16816 per kWh	\$0.14411 per kWh
Industrial	\$0.14164 per kWh	\$0.16816 per kWh	\$0.17130 per kWh
Renewable Energy Content <i>(see insert for required & voluntary percentages by year)</i>	Meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements	100% MA Class I RECs	Meets Massachusetts renewable energy requirements
Duration	December 2025 – November 2028 <i>[Rates apply to service beginning and ending on the days of the month that your meter is read in your service area.]</i>		August 1, 2025 – January 31, 2026 <i>[Residential and Small Commercial rates change every 6 months. Large Commercial and Industrial rates change every 3 months.]</i>
Exit Terms	NO CHARGE		May receive a reconciliation charge or credit <i>[Industrial G-2 & G-3 only]</i>

*Rate includes Consultant Services Fee of \$0.001 per kWh to facilitate Shutesbury’s Community Choice Power Supply Program.
*Rate may increase as a result of a change in law that results in a direct, material increase in costs during the term of the contract.
**GreenUp options are available for \$0.022-\$0.038 per kWh in addition to National Grid’s Basic Service rate.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- At Program launch, the aggregation rate is lower than National Grid’s Basic Service rate. The aggregation rate is fixed for 35 months while National Grid’s Basic Service rate changes twice a year, in February and August. As a result, the aggregation rate may not always be lower than National Grid’s Basic Service rate. The goal of the aggregation is to deliver savings over the life of the Program against National Grid’s Basic Service rate. However, **FUTURE SAVINGS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED.**
- There is **NO CHARGE TO OPT-OUT** of the Program and return to National Grid Basic Service.

« SEE BACK FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION »

ALL BASIC SERVICE CONSUMERS who have been mailed this notification will be AUTOMATICALLY enrolled in the Program and start benefiting from the aggregation rate beginning on the day of the month in December 2025 that your meter is read. This date varies by service area. Your meter reading date is shown on your bill.

WATCH YOUR NATIONAL GRID BILL FOR FURTHER NOTIFICATION of the Program.

- Your December 2025 bill will state that you are being switched to Shutesbury’s Program.
- Your January 2026 bill will show Shutesbury’s supplier and aggregation rate under “Supply Services”.

BUDGET PLAN OR ELIGIBLE LOW-INCOME RATE CONSUMERS will continue to receive those benefits from National Grid.

SOLAR PANEL AND COMMUNITY SOLAR CONSUMERS will continue to receive net metering or on-bill credits while receiving electricity supply under the Program and the value of these credits will not be altered by participating in the Program.

ANY APPLICABLE TAXES WILL BE BILLED as part of the Program’s power supply charge. You will be responsible for identifying and requesting an exemption from the collection of taxes by providing appropriate documentation.

TAX EXEMPT SMALL BUSINESS CONSUMERS must email or fax a copy of their Energy Exemption Certificate directly to First Point at enroll@firstpointpower.com or (877) 206-4855 (fax) in order to maintain their tax exempt status.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY CHOSEN A SUPPLIER ON YOUR OWN you must opt-out of this Program. This will ensure you continue to get your electricity from that supplier.

IF YOU HAVE ALREADY CHOSEN A GREEN POWER SUPPLY OPTION THROUGH NATIONAL GRID you must opt-out of this Program. This will ensure you continue to get your electricity from that Green Power Supply.

HOW TO OPT-OUT

- Sign and return the enclosed opt-out card in the postage paid envelope provided; **OR**
- Visit colonialpowergroup.com/shutesbury and click the opt-out button, then fill out and submit the Opt-Out Form; **OR**
- Call First Point at (888) 875-1711 and ask to remain on National Grid Basic Service.

ANY TIME AFTER ENROLLMENT you can still opt-out with NO CHARGE. It may take a couple of billing cycles before you are back on National Grid Basic Service. If you choose to opt-out after the initial enrollment, you may submit an Opt-Out form at colonialpowergroup.com/shutesbury **OR** call First Point at (888) 875-1711 and ask to be placed on National Grid Basic Service.

TO CHOOSE A PRODUCT WITH 100% NEW ENGLAND RENEWABLE ENERGY visit colonialpowergroup.com/shutesbury or you may call First Point at (888) 875-1711 and ask to be enrolled in Shutesbury’s Optional Product. Shutesbury’s Optional Product provides 100% MA Class I RECs achieved by purchasing 73% additional Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) above the state’s current requirement for these renewables. This product is being offered at \$0.16816 per kWh for 35 months (December 2025 to November 2028).

THROUGHOUT THE LIFE OF THE PROGRAM each subsequent contract may vary by rate, term and possibly supplier. You will be automatically enrolled in the next contract at the new aggregation rate unless you opt-out. The new aggregation rate may be higher or lower than the current rate and the voluntary renewable energy content may change. There will be advance notice of each automatic renewal to inform you of your supply options should you choose to opt-out.

FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION regarding Shutesbury’s Program, please visit colonialpowergroup.com/shutesbury or call us toll-free at (866) 485-5858 ext. 1.

TO ACCESS NATIONAL GRID’S BASIC SERVICE RATES please visit:

- Residential Rates – nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/resitable.pdf.
- Commercial Rates – nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/commtable.pdf.
- Industrial Rates – nationalgridus.com/media/pdfs/billing-payments/electric-rates/ma/indtable.pdf.

Colonial Power Group, Inc. is an energy consulting company chosen on a competitive basis by the Town of Shutesbury to facilitate the Community Choice Power Supply Program.



**THE TOWN OF SHUTESBURY'S
COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM**



IMPORTANT NOTICE



(866) 485-5858 ext. 1



TTY (800) 720-3480 / Español (866) 930-9252



colonialpowergroup.com/shutesbury

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities directs that we include the following message in all of these different languages. The message states: "Important notice enclosed from Town of Shutesbury about your electricity service. Translate the notice immediately. Call the number or visit the website, above, for help."

SPANISH/ESPAÑOL Incluye notificación importante del Town of Shutesbury sobre su servicio de electricidad. Traduzca el aviso inmediatamente. Si necesita ayuda, llame al número o visite el sitio web indicado anteriormente.	POLISH/POLSKI Załączono ważną informację od Town of Shutesbury na temat usług energetycznych. Niezłowcznie przetłumacz powiadomienie. Zadzwoń pod numer lub odwiedź powyższą witrynę, aby uzyskać pomoc.
PORTUGUESE/PORTUGUÊS Aviso importante incluído da Town of Shutesbury sobre seu serviço de eletricidade. Traduza o aviso imediatamente. Ligue para o número ou visite o site, acima, para obter ajuda.	NEPALI/नेपाली तपाईंको विद्युतीय सेवा बारे Town of Shutesbury संलग्न गरिएको महत्वपूर्ण सूचना। सूचनालाई तुरुन्तै अनुवादन गर्नुहोस्। मद्दतको लागि माथि भएका नम्बरमा फोन गर्नुहोस् वा वेबसाइटमा जानुहोस्।
CHINESE (SIMPLIFIED)/ 中文 随函附上来自 Town of Shutesbury 有关您供电服务的重要通知。请立即翻译该通知。如需帮助，请依上述信息致电或访问网站。	MARATHI/मराठी आपल्या विद्युत सेवेसंबंधी Town of Shutesbury महत्वाची सूचना संलग्न केली आहे. या सुचनेचा अनुवाद त्वरित करावा. मदतीसाठी वरील क्रमांकावर फोन करा किंवा वेबसाइटला/संकेतस्थळाला भेट द्या.
CHINESE (TRADITIONAL)/ 中文 随附 Town of Shutesbury 有關您電力服務的重要通知。請立即翻譯此通知。若需協助，請撥打電話或瀏覽上方所列網站。	YORUBA/YORÙBÁ Àkìyèsì pàtàkì tí a fi sínú rẹ̀ láti ọ̀dọ́ Town of Shutesbury nípa ìṣẹ́ iná mọ̀nà mọ̀nà rẹ̀. Túmọ̀ àkìyèsì náà lẹ́sẹ̀kẹ́sẹ̀. Pẹ̀ nọ̀nbà náà tàbí kànsí ayélujára, lókè, fún ìrànlowó.
HAITIAN/KREYÒL Ou gen yon notifikasyon enpòtan de Town of Shutesbury sou sèvis elektrisite ou. Tradwi notifikasyon sa imedyatman. Rele nimewo a oubyen vizite sit entènèt, ki anlè a, si ou bezwen èd.	IGBO/NDI IGBO Ọkwa dị mkpa ezitere maka ọrụ latrik gị si n'aka Town of Shutesbury . Tugharịa asụsụ ọkwa ahụ ozugbo. Kpọọ nọmba ahụ ma ọ bụ gaa na weebụsaịtị ahụ, dị n'elu, maka enyemaka.
VIETNAMESE/TIẾNG VIỆT Đính kèm thông báo quan trọng từ Town of Shutesbury về dịch vụ điện của quý vị. Xin dịch thông báo này ngay. Vui lòng gọi điện hoặc truy cập trang web ở trên để được giúp đỡ.	AMHARIC/አማርኛ የኤሌክትሪክ አገልግሎትዎን በተመለከተ የተሰጠ አስፈላጊ ማስታወቂያ ከዚህ ጋር በ Town of Shutesbury እንደ ዓባሪ ተያይዟል። ማስታወቂያውን በአስቸኳይ ያስተርጉሙት። እገዛ ለማግኘት ከላይ ወደተገለጸው ስልክ ቁጥር ይደውሉ ወይም ድር ጣቢያውን ይጎብኙ።

RUSSIAN/РУССКИЙ Прилагается важное уведомление от Town of Shutesbury о вашей услуге снабжения электроэнергией. Переведите уведомление безотлагательно. Позвоните по вышеуказанному номеру или зайдите на вышеуказанный вебсайт, чтобы получить помощь.	SOMALI/SOOMAALI Oageysiis muhiim oo ka yimid Town of Shutesbury kuna saabsan adeegga korontada. Si degdeg ah u turjun ogaysiiska. Wac nambarka ama booqo webseetka, kore, si aad u hesho caawimaad.
ARABIC/عربي مرفق إخطار مهم من Town of Shutesbury عن خدمة الكهرباء الخاصة بكم. يُرجى ترجمة الإخطار فورًا. اتصل بالرقم أو قم بزيارة الموقع الإلكتروني عبر الإنترنت المذكورة أعلاه طلبًا للمساعدة.	JAPANESE/傆怞铂 「電気供給サービスに関する Town of Shutesbury からの重要なお知らせを同封しております。本通知を速やかに翻訳してください。ご質問は上記の電話番号もしくはウェブサイトをご覧ください。」
KHMER/ខ្មែរ សេចក្តីជូនដំណឹងសំខាន់ដែលភ្ជាប់មកជាមួយមកពីទីក្រុង Town of Shutesbury គឺនិយាយអំពីសេវាកម្មភ្លើងរបស់អ្នក។ ចូរបកប្រែសេចក្តីជូនដំណឹងនេះភ្លាមៗ។ សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅលេខ ឬចូលទៅកាន់គេហទំព័រខាងលើ ដើម្បីសុំជំនួយ។	GUJARATI/ગુજરાતી તમારી વીજળી સેવા અંગે Town of Shutesbury તરફથી મહત્વપૂર્ણ સૂચના બીડેલ છે. સૂચનાનું તુરંત જ ભાષાંતર કરો. મદદ માટે ઉપરના નંબર પર કોલ કરો અથવા વેબસાઇટની મુલાકાત લો.
FRENCH/FRANÇAIS Avis important de Town of Shutesbury concernant votre service d'électricité. Traduisez immédiatement l'avis. Appelez le numéro ou visitez le Site Web, ci-dessus, si vous avez besoin d'aide.	SWAHILI/KISWAHILI Notisi muhimu ambayo imeambatishwa kutoka Town of Shutesbury kuhusu huduma yako ya umeme. Itafsiri notisi mara moja. Piga simu kwa nambari au tembelea tovuti iliyo hapo juu ili upate usaidizi.
ITALIAN/ITALIANO Comunicazione importante in allegato della Town of Shutesbury riguardante il suo servizio di fornitura di energia elettrica. Tradurre il comunicato immediatamente. Qualora occorra assistenza, chiami il numero o visiti il sito Internet sopra indicati.	HINDI/हिंदी आपकी बिजली सेवा के बारे में Town of Shutesbury से महत्वपूर्ण सूचना संलग्न है। सूचना का तुरंत अनुवाद करें। सहायता के लिए ऊपर के नंबर पर कॉल करें या वेबसाइट पर जाएं।
KOREAN/한국어 귀하의 전기 서비스와 관련하여 Town of Shutesbury 에서 온 중요한 통지 사항이 동봉되어 있습니다. 통지 사항을 즉시 번역하시기 바랍니다. 도움이 필요할 경우 위의 전화번호로 연락하거나 웹사이트를 방문해 주십시오.	THAI/ไทย ประกาศสำคัญที่แนบมาจาก Town of Shutesbury เกี่ยวกับบริการไฟฟ้าของคุณ กรุณาแปลประกาศทันที โทรไปยังหมายเลขหรือไปที่เว็บไซต์ด้านบนเพื่อขอความช่วยเหลือ
GREEK/ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΑ Εσωκλείεται σημαντική ειδοποίηση από την Town of Shutesbury που αφορά τον πάροχο ηλεκτρικής ενέργειας σας. Μεταφράστε την ειδοποίηση άμεσα. Καλέστε τον τηλεφωνικό αριθμό ή επισκεφθείτε την ιστοσελίδα που αναφέρεται παραπάνω, για βοήθεια.	LAO/ລາວ ແຈ້ງການສໍາຄັນທີ່ຕິດຄັດມາຈາກ Town of Shutesbury ແມ່ນກ່ຽວກັບການບໍລິການໄຟຟ້າຂອງທ່ານ. ແປແຈ້ງການທັນທີ. ໂທຫາໝາຍເລກ ຫຼື ເຂົ້າເບິ່ງເວັບໄຊທ໌ຂ້າງເທິງສໍາລັບຄວາມຊ່ວຍເຫຼືອ.

RENEWABLE ENERGY CONTENT – Required and Voluntary Percentages by Year

Community Choice Power Supply		Year	Required by State*		Voluntary**		TOTAL
			MA Class I	Other	MA Class I	Other	
Town of Shutesbury	STANDARD (default)	2025	27%	36%	---	---	63%
		2026	30%	39%	---	---	69%
		2027	33%	43%	---	---	76%
		2028	36%	45%	---	---	81%
	OPTIONAL	2025	27%	36%	73%	---	136%
		2026	30%	39%	70%	---	139%
		2027	33%	43%	67%	---	143%
		2028	36%	45%	64%	---	145%
National Grid BASIC SERVICE		2025	27%	36%	---	---	63%
		2026	30%	39%	---	---	69%
		2027	33%	43%	---	---	76%
		2028	36%	45%	---	---	81%

*Required by State – Mandatory minimum percentage of renewable energy resources required by MA law.

**Voluntary – Additional renewable energy that exceeds the minimum required by the state in the specified year.

For additional detail on MA renewable energy requirements, please visit mass.gov/info-details/program-summaries.



SHUTESBURY COMMUNITY CHOICE POWER SUPPLY PROGRAM OPT-OUT REPLY CARD

If you want to participate in the Shutesbury Community Choice Power Supply Program, you do not need to take any action. You will be automatically enrolled.

Opt-Out Instructions

If you do not want to participate:

- 1) Sign and date
- 2) Place in envelope provided
- 3) Drop in the mail

The card must be signed by the customer of record whose name appears in the address on this card. **The envelope must be postmarked by November 18, 2025 to opt-out of the Program before being automatically enrolled.**

Acct No:

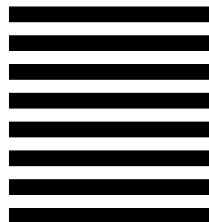
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