



# TOWN OF NANTUCKET

## MUNICIPAL ELECTRICITY AGGREGATION PROGRAM NOTIFICATION LETTER

November 17, 2020

Dear Nantucket Electric Service Customer:

This letter contains important information about your electricity bill. The Town of Nantucket has an electricity aggregation program, **Nantucket PowerChoice**. Nantucket PowerChoice offers choices and long-term, stable electricity prices\* while also supporting the development of new solar electricity projects on Nantucket. Building new solar projects on Nantucket helps to reduce our reliance on fossil fuels during peak electricity use periods, which can bring down electricity costs for everyone.

**If you received this letter, you will be AUTOMATICALLY enrolled in Nantucket PowerChoice, unless you choose not to participate. Your opt-out request must be postmarked by December 21, 2020, to avoid automatic enrollment in the program.**

Electricity aggregation is a form of group purchasing in which the Town selects an electricity supplier on behalf of residents and businesses. Through a competitive bidding process, the Town has secured a contract with **Dynegy**. However, National Grid remains Nantucket's electric utility and will continue to deliver electricity, fix power outages, provide customer service, and handle billing.

- **If you participate:** You will see Dynegy and the program price under Supply Services on your first National Grid bill after you are enrolled. Delivery charges will be unaffected.
- **If you do not participate:** You will remain on National Grid's Basic Service price.

### Program Benefits

**More Choice** - The program gives you two alternatives to National Grid's Basic Service: 1) PowerChoice Standard, which meets state minimum renewable electricity requirements, and 2) PowerChoice Green, which provides 100% renewable electricity. You will be automatically enrolled in PowerChoice Standard, but you may upgrade to PowerChoice Green. Both options support the Nantucket Local Solar Rebate Program. (*Details on back.*)

**Price stability** - Nantucket PowerChoice prices are fixed until November 2021, while National Grid's prices change every six months for residential and commercial customers and every three months for industrial customers.

**Transparency** - The competitive procurement process ensures a transparent alternative to National Grid's Basic Service and other offers in the marketplace with no hidden costs.

### Your Relationship with National Grid

Your primary relationship for electricity will remain with National Grid: Your bill will continue to come from National Grid, you will continue to send bill payments to National Grid and call National Grid if your power goes out, and if you are on a budget plan or are eligible for a low-income rate or fuel assistance, you will continue to receive those benefits.

\* **Nantucket PowerChoice offers the potential for savings compared with the average of National Grid's Basic Service prices. However, because future National Grid prices are not known, savings cannot be guaranteed.**



### Your New Electricity Supply Price

**11.300 ¢/kWh**

This price will first appear on your National Grid bill the month *after* you enroll. It will end with your November 2021 meter read. Compare to National Grid's prices on the back. ►

### For More Information

**Visit:** [nantucketpower.org](http://nantucketpower.org)

**Email:** [nantucket@masspowerchoice.com](mailto:nantucket@masspowerchoice.com)

**Call:** 1-844-241-8598

### Don't Want to Participate?

**You don't have to. You may opt out at any time with no penalty or fee.**

To opt out before being enrolled do one of the following **by December 21, 2020**:

- Sign & return the enclosed reply card (postmarked no later than **December 21, 2020**), call customer support at 1-844-241-8598, or opt out online at [nantucketpower.org](http://nantucketpower.org)

To opt out after being enrolled, do one of the following at any time:

- Call Customer Support at 1-844-241-8598 or opt out online at [nantucketpower.org](http://nantucketpower.org)

## Program Options & Pricing

	<b>Automatic enrollment: PowerChoice Standard</b>	<b>Optional: PowerChoice Green</b>	<b>If you opt out: National Grid's Basic Service</b>
<b>Enrollment</b>	If you do nothing, you will be automatically enrolled in PowerChoice Standard	To upgrade to PowerChoice Green, call Customer Support at 1-844-241-8598	If you opt out, you will remain on National Grid's Basic Service
<b>Renewable Energy Content</b>	Meets minimum Massachusetts renewable energy requirements (MA Class I RECs): 16% in 2020.	<b>100% renewable energy</b> , including an additional 20% from renewable energy projects in New England (MA Class I RECs) over and above the minimum amount required by Massachusetts law.	Meets minimum Massachusetts renewable energy requirements (MA Class I RECs): 16% in 2020
<b>Rate Term</b>	May 2020 meter read – November 2021 meter read	May 2020 meter read – November 2021 meter read	November 1, 2020 – April 30, 2021 **
<b>Residential</b>	<b>11.300 ¢/kWh*</b>	12.232 ¢/kWh*	12.388 ¢/kWh
<b>Commercial</b>	<b>11.300 ¢/kWh*</b>	12.232 ¢/kWh*	10.763 ¢/kWh
<b>Industrial</b>	<b>11.300 ¢/kWh*</b>	12.232 ¢/kWh*	11.305 ¢/kWh (November 1, 2020 - January 31, 2021 **)
<b>Exit Terms</b>	Leave any time. No exit charge.	Leave any time. No exit charge.	Leave any time.*** No exit charge.

\* Prices include a 0.1 ¢/kWh administration fee and an extra 0.1 ¢/kWh to support Nantucket's local Solar Rebate Program ([www.nantucket-ma.gov/solarrebate](http://www.nantucket-ma.gov/solarrebate)). Program prices could increase as a result of a change in law that results in a direct, material increase in costs during the term of the electricity supply agreement.

\*\* National Grid's fixed Basic Service prices change every six (6) months for residential and commercial accounts and every three (3) months for industrial accounts. They will next change on May 1, 2021, for residential and commercial accounts and on February 1, 2021, for industrial accounts.

\*\*\* Exit terms for National Grid's Basic Service: No penalty charge. However, industrial customers only (rates G-2 and G-3) on the fixed price Basic Service option may receive a billing adjustment, which may be either a credit or a charge.

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Why did the Town launch an aggregation?** Municipal Aggregation was unanimously approved at the 2016 Annual Town Meeting (Article 104) as a way to help the local community to save money and protect against dramatic seasonal price swings that have been difficult to predict and challenging for many to manage. Aggregation can also deliver greener power more cost effectively, including from island renewable energy sources through the launch of a local Solar Rebate Program. Learn more here: [www.nantucket-ma.gov/solarrebate](http://www.nantucket-ma.gov/solarrebate).

**I have signed my own contract with an electricity supplier. What should I do?** If you received this letter and *also* you have an existing electricity supply contract that you wish to preserve, **you should opt out of the program**. Failure to opt out will result in your enrollment in the program and could trigger penalties from your current electricity supplier.

**I have a tax exempt account. How can I retain my account's tax-exempt status?** Taxes will be billed as part of the program's power supply charge. Customers are responsible for identifying and requesting an exemption from the collection of any tax by providing appropriate tax exemption documentation to Dynege. Visit [masspowerchoice.com/nantucket](http://masspowerchoice.com/nantucket) for more information.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to reply to me directly or contact program customer support at [nantucket@masspowerchoice.com](mailto:nantucket@masspowerchoice.com) or 1-844-241-8598. Our Town consultants, Peregrine Energy Group, will be happy to help you.

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