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July 19, 2021

Dear Village of Lima Residents,

Enclosed you will find detailed information regarding our **Community Choice Solar** and **Community Choice Electricity Supply** offerings that will soon be implemented in the Village of Lima. The goal of this program is to provide you with electricity choices from renewable sources at competitive prices. National Grid will continue to deliver and service all transmission equipment for residents participating in both of these offerings. Participants will also continue to receive a monthly electric bill from only National Grid.

Although I encourage you to read all of the enclosed materials, here is a short summary of each of the offerings and how you can either participate or opt-out. You may be eligible for both the Community Choice Solar and Community Choice Electricity Supply offerings or only one of the offerings. The enclosed letter will inform you of your eligibility.

### **Community Choice Solar**

By participating in this offering you will receive an **8-10% credit** on your National Grid bill each month beginning in early 2022. You will not be assessed any fees, so participation in <u>only</u> the community choice solar offering will result in savings. The savings come from solar energy credits that we have secured from community scale solar arrays in National Grid territory. Savings are not guaranteed if you participate in both the community choice electricity supply <u>and</u> community choice solar offerings.

#### **Community Choice Electricity Supply**

If you participate in this offering you will be able to choose either 100% Renewable Supply or Standard Supply, if you do not make a choice you will receive 100% Renewable Supply. Both programs provide a fixed rate for two years. For residential customers, the cost for 100% Renewable Supply is \$0.05912 per kWh while the Standard Supply rate is \$0.04960 per kWh. The 100% Renewable Supply is generated from hydro, wind, and/or solar facilities located within New York State. The Standard Supply is derived from a mixture of fossil fuels, nuclear, and some renewable sources. The electricity that you currently receive from National Grid has a variable rate that changes each month. Although the 12-month average National Grid rate from April 2020 to March 2021 was \$0.04171 per kWh, the National Grid variable rate may rise over the next two years as energy demand increases as we move out of the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### **Participating or Opting Out**

If you are eligible and wish to participate in both the Community Choice Solar and Community Choice Electricity Supply with the 100% Renewable option, you don't have to take any action as you will automatically be enrolled. You may opt out of either or both offerings by completing the enclosed opt-out card and returning it via US Mail. You may also opt-out by calling (585) 244-0244 or online via the Enrollment/Change Form on the homepage of www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com. If you would like to enroll in the Community Choice Electricity Supply with the Standard option, you must opt-out of the 100% Renewable option and call Roctricity, our community partner, at (585) 244-0244. Please note that you will have the option of opting out of either or both offerings at any time in the future.

If you have questions regarding this program, I recommend that you contact Roctricity, our community partner, by either calling them at (585) 244-0244 or by visiting the program website: www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com.

Sincerely.

John Skiptunas, Mayor

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Dear Village of Lima Resident,

July 19, 2021

The Village of Lima is pleased to announce the launch of Finger Lakes Community Choice, a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program<sup>1</sup> that allows us to pool local demand with other municipalities to provide **guaranteed savings through community solar partnerships**. Each participating municipality has selected Joule Community Power<sup>2</sup> as Program Administrator. Joule works on behalf of the municipalities to provide energy offerings at favorable terms and ensures there are **no contract or exit fees** for consumers. Also included in this mailing is a letter from the Village summarizing the program.

You are eligible for the Community Choice Solar offering through the Finger Lakes Community Choice program. Community Choice Solar supports the development of new solar projects in our area, which will be operational in late 2021 and/or early 2022. You may choose to participate in the Community Choice Solar offering or opt-out.

Join the Finger Lakes
Community Choice team
at an information session
and Q&A to learn more
about the Program.
We want to hear your
questions!

Thursday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 7 PM Zoom

OR by calling (585) 244-0244

https://bit.ly/lima-7-29

## **Community Choice Solar Offering**

Finger Lakes Community Choice has partnered with six solar projects to offer a first-of-its-kind community solar offering to Lima residents. You are eligible to receive guaranteed savings on your monthly National Grid bill by participating in Community Choice Solar. Unless you choose to opt-out, you will be automatically enrolled in one of our selected community solar projects.

Each month that you remain enrolled, you will receive a credit (discount) on your National Grid electric bill. There are no contracts to sign, no additional bills to pay, and no credit screens. Participating in a community solar project simply earns you a monetary credit on your electricity bill; it does not replace your electricity supplier.

National Grid will continue to be responsible for the power lines that deliver your electricity and will continue to bill you. Please contact National Grid in the event of any service interruption.

### To opt-out, you may:

- Return the enclosed "Opt-Out Reply Card" by August 18, OR
- Call the Finger Lakes Community Choice program hotline at (585) 244-0244, OR
- Go to www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com and submit your information (name on utility account, service address, and Pre Enrollment ID number from the opt-out card included in this letter) through the Enrollment/Change Form on the homepage.

Note: This mailing was not paid for by taxpayer dollars. All funding was provided by the Program Administrator: Joule Assets, Inc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Municipal authority enabled by NY State regulation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>A division of Joule Assets, Inc.

### If you choose to participate you will:

- Receive solar credits on your National Grid bill from one of the projects in the table below
- Receive solar credits at a 10% discount which provides guaranteed savings
- Support a local sustainability project in the Village through Joule's Giving Back Program
- Receive an additional letter in the mail alerting you to the date you should expect to see credits on your National Grid bill and which solar project will provide those credits

Solar Project Name	Project Location	Project Owner	Project Size (kWh/year)	Estimated Date Solar Credits Begin to Reach Customers
Ridgeway	2800 Swett Road,	NextEra Energy, Inc.	4,715,000	9/30/2021
	Lyndonville, NY 14098	(DG New York CS, LLC)		
Van Buren II	6719 Pottery Road,	NextEra Energy, Inc.	5,410,000	10/31/2021
	Van Buren, NY 13164	(DG New York CS, LLC)		
Avon	5230 East Avon Road,	NextEra Energy, Inc.	8,982,000	11/30/2021
	Avon, NY 14414	(DG New York CS, LLC)		
Wheatland 2A	9565 Union Street,	Bluebird Community	5,252,672	2/18/2022
	Scottsville, NY 14546	Solar, LLC		
Wheatland 2B	9565 Union Street,	Bluebird Community	5,250,403	2/18/2022
	Scottsville, NY 14546	Solar, LLC		
Finney	3047 State Route 67,	Bluebird Community	10,277,900	2/28/2022
	Fort Johnson, NY 12070	Solar, LLC		

### **Enrollment and your right to opt-out of this program**

If you wish to opt-out of the program, please let Finger Lakes Community Choice know by August 18<sup>th</sup>. If they do not hear from you, you will be enrolled automatically in Community Choice Solar, and your account information (including energy usage and utility assistance program participant status) will be shared with your community solar provider. However, you may leave the program at any time without any fee or penalty.

If you choose to remain in the program, you will begin receiving a 10% discount on community solar credits when your assigned project is operational in late 2021 or early 2022. You will receive an additional letter in the mail alerting you to the date you should expect to see credits on your National Grid bill and which solar project will provide those credits.

John Skiptunas Mayor of Lima

### ¡Se habla español,también!

For translation services, please call our office at (585) 244-0244, Option 2.

Para acceder a nuestros servicios de traducción, llamea nuestras oficinas, al (585) 244-0244 Opcion 2.



[TBD-Provider Name (the "Provider"), Address, Telephone Number, Email Address, and Provider Logo] Joule Assets, Inc. (the "Program Administrator"), 10 Bank Street, Suite 560, White Plains, NY 10606 (585) 244-0244, info@fingerlakescommunitychoice.com, www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com

This Community Distributed Generation Disclosure Form concerns your participation in the Community Distributed Generation project described below. This subscription is being offered to you through the Community Choice Aggregation Program in the Village of Lima. [TBD-Provider Name] shall own, operate, and maintain the Project. This Community Distributed Generation Disclosure Form shall serve as the Net Crediting Subscription Contract for the purposes of the Community Distributed Generation Program.

Community Distributed Generation Disclosure Form			
Customer Information	Include Name, Service Address, & Mailing Address (if different)		
Distribution Utility	National Grid		
Overview	This document describes your Community solar subscription. Please read this document carefully.		
Subscription Fee and Savings Rate	Each month, you will receive credits on your electric utility bill based on the electricity generated by the project. Your subscription fee will be automatically taken from the credits you receive on your utility bill. Your subscription fee is equal to 90% of the value of the credits you receive each month.  After the credits are reduced by the subscription fee, you will receive savings equal to 10% of the credits you receive.		
	You will not be charged any other fees.		
Project Location and Customer Allocation	Project Location: TBD Project Size: TBD  Customer Allocation ("Subscription Size"): TBD  Anticipated Project Operation Date: TBD		
	You will be subscribed to a project located in Avon, Fort Johnson, Lyndonville, Scottsville or Van Buren. You will receive a letter in the mail with a completed Disclosure Form after you are assigned to a project and your allocation is determined. The size of your allocation is determined based on your historical usage over the previous 12 months, not to exceed one hundred percent (100%) of your historical annual usage, and your allocation can be adjusted as your usage habits change over time in our discretion or upon your request.		
Length of Agreement and Renewal	<b>Subscription Term</b> : One (1)-year initial term, subject to automatic one (1)-year extensions afterwards up to 25 years, unless written notice of termination from either you or the Provider is received by the other party ninety (90) days prior to the current term's expiration.		
	If you would like to cancel your subscription for any reason, you may do so at any time by following the guidelines below (under "Early Termination").		
Early Termination	You may cancel your subscription for any reason, at any time, with no penalty by contacting Program Administrator or Provider. Please allow up to three (3) months for the subscription to be removed from your account. Your subscription may be terminated if your utility account is suspended or closed.		

Estimated Benefits	Estimated Annual Energy for your Subscription Size: TBD kWh
	Estimated Annual Net Savings: TBD (estimated credit value*savings rate
	%)*estimated annual kWh
	National Grid will apply monthly savings as a monetary credit on your
	electricity bill.
Guarantees	You are guaranteed to save money on your utility bill equal to 10% of the credits you receive.
	This contract does not guarantee a minimum level of system performance or
	production of energy because the energy generated by the solar project will
	vary each month, the amount of savings realized on your utility bill will also
	vary.
Data Sharing and	If you do not opt-out, the New York State Public Service Commission has
Privacy Policy	authorized the Program Administrator and the Provider to request and receive
	historical electricity consumption information from National Grid. Except for
	these parties, this information will not be shared with third parties.
Customer Rights	If you have inquiries or complaints that the Provider or Program Administrator is
	unable to resolve, you have the right to call the Department of Public Service
	Helpline at 1-800-342- 3377. You may file a complaint on the Helpline or by
	following the instructions at http://www.dps.ny.gov/complaints.html.
Other Important Terms	Your Subscription Size may be adjusted, as needed, to better reflect your annual
	electricity consumption expectations.
Preparer Name and	[TBD Name of Provider representative]
Contact Information	

Signature of Authorized Provider Official or Representative: TBD

Date