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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. Skiptunas, May

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Dear Village of Lima Resident,

The Village of Lima is pleased to announce the launch of Finger Lakes Community Choice, a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program¹ that allows us to pool local demand with other municipalities to provide low cost, **fixed-rate renewable electricity supply** and **savings through community solar partnerships**. Each participating municipality has selected Joule Community Power² as Program Administrator. Joule works on behalf of the municipalities to provide clean 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 both the Community Choice Electricity Supply and Community Choice Solar offerings through the Finger Lakes Community Choice program. Renewable Electricity Supply supports renewable resources currently in operation throughout New York State (predominantly run-of-river hydropower plants), and Community Choice Solar supports the development of new solar projects in our area, which will be operational in late 2021 and/or early 2022. These offerings work together to support clean energy locally and statewide, and to provide customers benefits. You may choose to participate in the Electricity Supply offering only, the Community Choice Solar offering only, both offerings or neither offering.

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, <u>OR</u>
- 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.

Community Choice Electricity Supply Options

There are 2 fixed-rate electricity supply options under our program: (1) 100% Renewable and (2) Standard. You may choose between these supply options <u>or opt-out of the electricity supply offering altogether</u>. The Village of Lima has chosen the 100% renewable option as the default. You will automatically be enrolled in the 100% Renewable Option unless you choose the Standard Option or opt-out.

- **100% Renewable Option:** 100% of your electricity supply is matched by Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) provided by New York State renewable power plants (hydropower, wind, solar).
- **Standard Option:** Your electricity supply is a mixture of fossil fuels, nuclear, and some renewable energy. To switch to the Standard Option, please call (585) 244-0244 by August 18, or visit 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. ¹Municipal authority enabled by NY State regulation.

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Finger Lakes Community Choice Rates

Finger Lakes Community Choice has secured electricity supply rates through a competitive bidding process that will remain stable for two years and enables you to power your home or business with 100% renewable electricity.

- Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. will be your new supplier, beginning on your first meter-read after September 1, 2021.
- The new rate will remain fixed for a 24-month period through August 2023.

¡Se habla español, también!

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

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

Residential \$0.04171 \$0.05912 \$0.04960	Service Class	12-month National Grid Price to Compare**	Default 100% Renewable Fixed Rate	Standard Fixed Rate
	Residential	\$0.04171	\$0.05912	\$0.04960
Small Commercial \$0.03955 \$0.05934 \$0.04982	Small Commercial	\$0.03955	\$0.05934	\$0.04982

* Rates do not include Gross Receipt Tax (GRT). If GRT is collected in your municipality, it will be added to your rate.

** Calculated average price paid/kWh consumed by residents of participating municipalities for National Grid electricity supply service, April 2020 – March 2021.

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.

Community Choice Solar Offering

Electricity Supply Rates (\$/kWh)*

Finger Lakes Community Choice has also 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. (Savings are not guaranteed if you participate in both the community choice electricity supply and community choice solar offerings.) 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, and can be seamlessly combined with the Electricity Supply offering described above.

Enrollment and your right to opt-out of this program

You may choose to participate in the Electricity Supply offering only, the Community Choice Solar offering only, both offerings, or neither offering. If you wish to opt-out of either offering, or of the program entirely, please let Finger Lakes Community Choice know by August 18th. If they do not hear from you, you will be enrolled automatically in the 100% renewable option and Community Choice Solar, and your account information (including energy usage and utility assistance program participant status) will be shared with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. and 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, your new rate will take effect in September 2021 and you will begin receiving a 10% discount on community solar credits when your assigned project is operational in late 2021 or early 2022.

Sincerely,

John Skiptunas, Mayor of Lima

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Through the Village of Lima's Community Choice Aggregation Program you are eligible to receive <u>quaranteed</u> <u>savings</u> on your monthly National Grid bill by participating in Community Choice Solar. Savings are not guaranteed if you participate in both the community choice electricity supply and community choice solar offerings.

If you choose to participate in the community choice solar offering 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
- 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		

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 29th, 2021 7 PM Zoom https://bit.ly/lima-7-29



Questions? (585) 244-0244 www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com

[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	Project Location: TBD Project Size: TBD		
Customer Allocation			
	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	Subscription Term : 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
Guarantees	electricity bill. 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 Privacy Policy	If you do not opt-out, the New York State Public Service Commission has 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 Contact Information	[TBD Name of Provider representative]

Signature of Authorized Provider Official or Representative: TBD

Date: