

# VILLAGE OF LIMA

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January 7, 2023

Dear Village of Lima Residents,

Enclosed you will find detailed information regarding our **Community Choice Solar** and **Community Choice Electricity Supply** offerings 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. You will not be assessed any fees, so participation in only 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 and 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 through August 2023. 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 has risen as high as **\$0.1308 per kWh** in the past year.

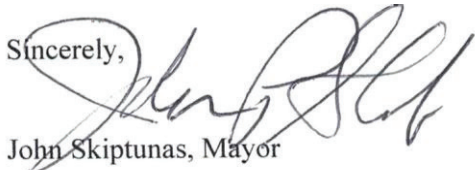
## Participating or Opting Out

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](http://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 Joule, our program administrator, 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 Joule, our program administrator, by either calling them at **(585) 244-0244** or by visiting the program website:

**[www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com](http://www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com)**.

Sincerely,

  
John Skiptunas, Mayor

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Dear Village of Lima Resident,

January 7, 2023

The Village of Lima is a participant in Finger Lakes Community Choice, a Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) program<sup>1</sup> that allows us to pool local electricity demand with other municipalities to provide low cost, **fixed-rate renewable electricity supply**. Each participating municipality has selected Joule Community Power<sup>2</sup> as Program Administrator. Joule works on behalf of the municipalities to secure clean energy supply at the most 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 Electricity Supply offering through the Finger Lakes Community Choice program.**

## 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 or opt-out of the program. 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 of the program.**

- **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 or visit [www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com](http://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.

### To opt-out, you may:

- Return the enclosed "Opt-Out Reply Card" by February 6, **OR**
- Call the Finger Lakes Community Choice program hotline at **(585) 244-0244, OR**
- Go to **[www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com](http://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 electricity supplier chosen by the municipality.

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

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

## Finger Lakes Community Choice Rates

Finger Lakes Community Choice has secured rates for electricity through a competitive bidding process that will remain stable for 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 March 1, 2023.
- The new rate will remain fixed for a 6-month period through August 2023.

*¡Se habla español,  
también!*

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

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

### Rates (\$/kWh)\*

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

\* 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.

### 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 February 6<sup>th</sup>. If they do not hear from you, you will be enrolled automatically in the 100% renewable option, and your account information (including energy usage and utility assistance program participant status) will be shared with Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. 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 March 2023.

Sincerely,



John Skiptunas  
Mayor of Lima