

NORTH PLAINFIELD'S COMMUNITY CHOICE GOVERNMENT ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM WORKING TO LOWER YOUR BUSINESS' ENERGY BILL

Overview

The Borough of North Plainfield passed an ordinance, which became effective on October 12, 2014 to establish the North Plainfield Energy Community Choice Program. This program is a Government-Private energy aggregation program that will permit the municipality to aggregate residential and non-residential electric consumers in North Plainfield for the purpose of purchasing electricity at lower rates than currently available from the utility company (PSE&G). By combining the electric requirements of the residential, industrial, commercial and public entity accounts, the program can purchase energy from Third Party Electricity Suppliers at prices lower than the average PSE&G price, with the possibility of added benefits such as higher renewable energy content. The program is only for the electric supply portion of your electric service. The delivery portion will continue to be provided by PSE&G at their regulated rates and PSE&G will continue to provide emergency and safety services. PSE&G will also continue to provide customer services such as metering, meter reading, billing and service restoration.

The program is being implemented this fall and it is expected that the public bidding process and transition to new supplier will be completed in early 2015. The supply contract term shall be for no more than two years and will only be awarded if there are savings for residents compared to the current PSE&G rates. Savings of 5-15% are expected. This equates to \$45-\$130 dollars per year for the average residential electric consumer. Savings for business will vary based on the electric usage at each facility.

How do I participate?

These programs combine the municipal facilities with those of residential and non-residential customers. **The non-residential (business/institutional) customers must choose to voluntarily participate (opt-in) in the program. The opt-in form and utility release form required to enroll in the program are available at www.northplainfield.org or at the Clerk's office at 263 Somerset Street North Plainfield NJ 07060. Forms must be returned no later than Friday November 7, 2014 to the Clerk's office, via FAX at 856-802-9133 or via email at npchoice@utilityadvantage.com**

North Plainfield's team

North Plainfield hired Utility Advantage to implement this GEA program. Utility Advantage, a NJ registered energy consulting company, will be providing

technical support on the procurement of electricity and management of the GEA program.

Questions about this program should be directed to Utility Advantage at npchoice@utilityadvantage.com or call 888-703-7934

INSTRUCTIONS:

To participate in the program, non-residential consumers in North Plainfield must fill out these two forms:

1. North Plainfield Non Residential Utility Release Form 10.2014
2. Non-Residential Authorization to Participate in North Plainfield Community Choice Government Energy Aggregation 2014 (Opt –In form)

These forms are available on the town website www.northplainfield.org or at the Clerk's office. The forms must be filled in completely and signed by an authorized person from the business/agency/etc.

Attaching a copy of your electric bill (all pages) with the completed forms will be helpful in confirming the accuracy of the information.

DEADLINE: Completed forms must be submitted no later than Friday November 7, 2014 (earlier submission is encouraged to allow for validation of information by PSE&G).

Forms may be presented to the Clerk's office or they may be emailed to npchoice@utilityadvantage.com or they may be faxed to 856-802-9133.

Any questions should be directed to the energy consultant for this program – Utility Advantage – at 888-703-7934 or via email to npchoice@utilityadvantage.com