

### Village of Brockport

Finger Lakes Community Choice

Dear Village of Brockport Resident,

July 15, 2021

The Village of Brockport 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 low cost, fixed-rate renewable electricity supply and 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 clean energy offerings at favorable terms and ensures there are no contract or exit fees for consumers.

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.

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

### To opt-out, you may:

- Return the enclosed "Opt-Out Reply Card" by August 14, 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.

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 electricity supply offering altogether. The Village of Brockport 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 14, OR
  - Visit www.fingerlakescommunitychoice.com, the Enrollment/Change Form is located on the homepage and
  - Submit your information: name on utility account, service address, and Pre Enrollment ID number from the opt-out card included in this letter.

*¡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.

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

### **Finger Lakes Community Choice Rates**

Finger Lakes Community Choice has secured electricity supply rates through a competitive bidding process that will remain stable for 2 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.

### Electricity Supply 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

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

The 12-month National Grid Price to Compare, shown in the table is from April 2020 to March 2021. Throughout the pandemic electricity supply prices were extremely low and as life begins to return to normal electricity prices are increasing. The program's fixed-rate electricity supply options are for September 2021 to August 2023 and account for this anticipated increase in electricity supply price.

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**

Finger Lakes Community Choice has also partnered with six solar projects to offer a first-of-its-kind community solar offering to Brockport 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 14<sup>th</sup>. 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.

Margaret B. Blackman

Mayor of Brockport

a division of Joule Assets, Inc.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Calculated average price paid/kWh consumed by residents of participating municipalities for National Grid electricity supply service



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Through the Village of Brockport's Community Choice Aggregation Program you are eligible to receive <u>quaranteed 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, Lyndonville, NY 14098	NextEra Energy, Inc. (DG New York CS, LLC)	4,715,000	9/30/2021
Van Buren II	6719 Pottery Road, Van Buren, NY 13164	NextEra Energy, Inc. (DG New York CS, LLC)	5,410,000	10/31/2021
Avon	5230 East Avon Road, Avon, NY 14414	NextEra Energy, Inc. (DG New York CS, LLC)	8,982,000	11/30/2021
Wheatland 2A	9565 Union Street, Scottsville, NY 14546	Bluebird Community Solar, LLC	5,252,672	2/18/2022
Wheatland 2B	9565 Union Street, Scottsville, NY 14546	Bluebird Community Solar, LLC	5,250,403	2/18/2022
Finney	3047 State Route 67, Fort Johnson, NY 12070	Bluebird Community Solar, LLC	10,277,900	2/28/2022

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!

Wednesday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021
7 PM
Zoom
https://bit.ly/brockport-7-28

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



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## 13. How do I save money by participating in the community choice solar offering?

You receive solar credits for the amount of energy generated by your share of the solar farm. The net-value of those credits is applied directly to your National Grid bill, reducing your monthly electricity bill payment. There will be no second bill.

## 14. What if I receive my electricity supply from an alternate supplier (ESCO)?

You will NOT be automatically enrolled in the community choice electricity supply offering. If you purchase your electricity supply from an alternate supplier and wish to participate in the Finger Lakes Community Choice CCA program, please fill out and submit the online enrollment form or call (585) 244-0244 to discuss your options. We highly recommend that you first check your supply contract and contact your ESCO to determine if you'll be subject to an exit fee.

## 15. Will I save money by participating in the community choice electricity supply offering?

While our large customer base assures competitive bids from suppliers, fixed price contracts do not guarantee that rates will remain lower in any given month or save money throughout the contract term. Yet, fixed rate CCA programs in NY and other states have provided customer savings. These savings are not anticipated for the 100% Renewable Electricity Option.

## 16. What is the 100% Renewable Option for community choice electricity supply?

The 100% renewable energy option consists of power matched with 100% Renewable Energy Certificates ("RECs") generated by hydropower, solar or wind energy registered in New York State. Using renewable energy dramatically reduces greenhouse gas emissions. However, customers may choose the Standard option or opt-out of the program at any time.

# 17. Am I eligible to participate if I'm on a budget or level billing program with National Grid?

Yes, customers may participate in the program and remain on budget billing.



[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 Brockport. [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)		
	Name: ERICA LINDEN		
	Service Address: 35 MEADOWVIEW DR, BROCKPORT NY 14420		
	Mailing Address: 35 MEADOWVIEW DR, BROCKPORT, NY 14420-1115		
Distribution Utility	National Grid		
Overview	This document describes your Community solar subscription. Please read this		
0.1	document carefully.		
Subscription Fee and	Each month, you will receive credits on your electric utility bill based on the		
Savings Rate	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	Customer Allocation ("Subscription Size"): TBD Anticipated Project Operation Date: TBD		
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	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	Subscription Term: One (1)-year initial term, subject to automatic one (1)-year		
and Renewal	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 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:
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