



TOWN OF BELLINGHAM ELECTRICITY PROGRAM NOTIFICATION LETTER

October 27, 2022

Dear Bellingham Electricity Service Customer,

This letter contains important information about your electric bill.

The Town of Bellingham has an electricity aggregation program called **Bellingham Power Choice**. Bellingham Power Choice is a transparent, Town-vetted alternative to other electricity offers in the marketplace. Through the program, National Grid delivers your electricity, but Bellingham chooses its own electricity supplier. Bellingham Power Choice offers long-term electricity price stability, choices, and the potential for savings (though savings cannot be guaranteed).

If you received this letter and you do nothing, you will be automatically enrolled in Bellingham Power Choice, in the Power Choice Standard offering, at a price of 20.862 ¢/kWh.

If you do not wish to participate, your opt-out request must be postmarked by November 29, 2022, to avoid automatic enrollment in the program.

- **If you choose to participate:** National Grid will remain your electric utility. You will continue to receive your electricity bill from them and call them if the power goes out. However, National Grid will use the Bellingham Power Choice price to calculate the Supply Services portion of your bill, and NextEra Energy Services will appear on your bill as your electricity supplier. **If you are eligible for a low-income rate or fuel assistance, you will continue to receive those benefits.**
- **If you choose not to participate:** National Grid will continue to calculate the Supply Services charge on your bill using their Basic Service price.

Program Benefits

Price stability - Bellingham Power Choice prices are fixed until December 2023. This price stability makes the program different from National Grid's Basic Service price, which you have now and which changes every 6 months for residential and commercial customers and every 3 months for industrial customers. Stability also makes the program prices different from many commercial offers available in the marketplace.

Choice - Bellingham Power Choice gives you two alternatives to National Grid's Basic Service. Power Choice Standard provides the minimum amount of renewable electricity required by state law. Power Choice Green provides all of your electricity from renewable sources. You have been automatically enrolled in Power Choice Standard, but you may choose Power Choice Green for a small premium. *(Details for both on the back.)*

Potential savings - The program prices offer the potential for savings compared to National Grid's Basic Service prices. However, because National Grid's prices change and their future prices are not known, savings compared with National Grid's Basic Service prices can never be guaranteed.

Bellingham Power Choice

Your Electricity Supply Price

20.862 ¢/kWh

Compare to National Grid's prices
on the back. ▶

Customer Support

1-844-241-8595

BellinghamPowerChoice.com

Bellingham@MassPowerChoice.com

Don't Want to Participate?

You don't have to. There is no penalty or fee to opt out of the program, and you may do so at any time.

If you choose not to participate, you will remain on National Grid's Basic Service.

To opt out before being enrolled, do one of the following before **November 29, 2022**:

- ▶ Sign & return the enclosed reply card (postmarked no later than **November 29, 2022**), call customer support at **1-844-241-8595**, or opt out online at BellinghamPowerChoice.com.

Program Options & Pricing

1. If you do nothing, you will be automatically enrolled in POWER CHOICE STANDARD:		20.862 ¢/kWh* for residential, commercial, and industrial accounts
Renewable energy content	Meets Massachusetts minimum renewable energy requirements, which include 20% from “premium” renewable energy projects in the New England Region (MA Class I RECs).	
Rate term	Enrollment - December 2023 meter read.	
Exit terms	Leave any time. No exit charge.	
2. If you want 100% renewable electricity, you may choose POWER CHOICE GREEN:		24.662 ¢/kWh* for residential, commercial, and industrial accounts
To choose POWER CHOICE GREEN, visit BellinghamPowerChoice.com or call customer support at 1-844-241-8595.		
Renewable energy content	100% renewable electricity. All of your electricity comes from “premium” renewable energy projects in the New England region (MA Class I RECs).	
Rate term	Enrollment - December 2023 meter read.	
Exit terms	Leave any time. No exit charge.	
3. If you choose to opt out, you will remain on NATIONAL GRID'S BASIC SERVICE:		33.891 ¢/kWh residential 32.287 ¢/kWh commercial 28.455 ¢/kWh industrial <i>proposed</i>
Renewable energy content	Meets Massachusetts minimum renewable energy requirements, which include 20% from “premium” renewable energy projects in the New England Region (MA Class I RECs).	
Rate term	November 1, 2022 - April 30, 2023, for residential and commercial accounts. November 1, 2022 - January 31, 2023, for industrial accounts. National Grid's fixed Basic Service prices change every 6 months for residential and commercial accounts and every 3 months for industrial accounts. National Grid's prices will next change for residential and commercial accounts on May 1, 2023, and on February 1, 2023, for industrial accounts.	
Exit terms	Leave any time. No exit charge. However, industrial customers only (rates G-2 and G-3) on the fixed-price Basic Service option may receive a billing adjustment, which may be either a credit or a charge.	

* The Power Choice Standard price and Power Choice Green price both include a \$0.001/kWh administrative fee. Program prices could increase as a result of a change in law that results in a direct, material increase in costs during the term of the electricity supply agreement.

Frequently Asked Questions

Are savings guaranteed? No. While the program goal is to deliver savings when compared with the average of National Grid's changing prices, future National Grid prices are not known. As a result, savings compared with National Grid cannot be guaranteed.

I have received this letter, and also I have signed a contract with an electricity supplier very recently. What should I do? You may have signed your contract after this mailing list was created. If that is the case, you must opt out if you wish to retain your current contract. If you do not opt out, your account will be enrolled in Bellingham Power Choice, and that may trigger early termination fees from your electricity supplier.

I have a tax-exempt account. How can I retain my account's tax-exempt status? Taxes will be billed as part of the program's power supply charge. Customers are responsible for identifying and requesting an exemption from the collection of any tax by providing appropriate tax-exemption documentation to NextEra Energy Services. Visit BellinghamPowerChoice.com for information on where to submit your documentation.

If you have any additional questions, please visit the program website at BellinghamPowerChoice.com, contact customer support with our Town consultants at Bellingham@MassPowerChoice.com or 1-844-241-8595, or contact Jim Kupfer, Bellingham Town Planner, at 508-657-2893.

Denis Fraine
Town Administrator

Opt-Out Reply Card



Bellingham Power Choice

X _____
Signature Date

Opt-Out Instructions

You do not need to take any action to participate in Bellingham Power Choice.

If you DO NOT wish to participate, you MUST opt out.

To opt out using this card:

1. Sign and date this card.
2. Place the card in the enclosed envelope.
3. Drop the envelope in the mail.

This card must be signed by the Customer of Record whose name appears on this card. The envelope must be postmarked no later than **November 29, 2022**, to opt out before being enrolled automatically. You may also opt out online at **[BellinghamPowerChoice.com](https://www.bellinghampowerchoice.com)** or by calling customer support at **1-844-241-8595**. You may also opt out anytime after enrollment.