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LOCAL MUNICIPALITIES WORK TOGETHER TO PURCHASE ELECTRICITY THROUGH COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION (CCA) PROGRAM

The Town of Dickinson and Town of Union along with other municipalities in the region are offering lower, fixed price electricity to their residents and small businesses through a Community Choice Aggregation Program (CCA). The Municipal Electric and Gas Alliance (MEGA) brought together 21 municipalities to join in the bulk purchasing of the CCA Program, providing renewable energy choices, and price stability for many participants.

CCA Programs focus on the source of the electric supply while continuing to rely on the delivery service and physical infrastructure of the local electric utility (NYSEG). Through a competitive procurement process, MEGA awarded the supply contract to Constellation NewEnergy, Inc., a company with over a decade of experience serving CCA Programs.

The CCA will offer the residents of the Town of Dickinson a fully fixed price of \$0.05092/kWh for 24 months, starting in July 2019. The CCA price is lower than NYSEG's average supply price for the previous year.

The CCA will offer the residents of the Town of Union 100% renewable electricity at a fully fixed price of \$0.05420/kWh for 24 months, starting in July 2019.

Those who are automatically eligible to participate in the CCA Program will receive a letter in mid-May. Upon receipt of this letter, those who do not wish to participate in the Program can opt-out via mail, phone or online. Participants are also able to leave the Program at any time during the 24 months without a penalty. Anyone can opt-up to receive 100% renewable electricity or opt-down into standard grid mix. In addition, residents and small businesses who have a supplier other than NYSEG can participate in the Program by opting-in. The CCA is compatible with budget billing, community solar and rooftop solar. Customers with day/night or time-of-use rates will not be automatically included in the Program.

Education sessions will be offered across the region during the months of April and May. The following sessions have been scheduled:

- April 1st 5:30-6:30pm: Town of Dickinson Town Hall, 531 Old Front Street, Binghamton
- April 3rd 11-noon: Broome West Senior Center, 2801 Wayne Street, Endicott
- April 10th 6-7pm & 7-8pm: Town of Union, 3111 E. Main Street, Endicott
- May 8th 11-noon: Broome West Senior Center, 2801 Wayne Street, Endicott

April 10th there are two evening sessions, one at 6 p.m. and one at 7 p.m., each starts with a presentation. Please come at any time and feel free to bring your bill. More information can also be found online at www.megacca.org and questions can be directed to 518.533.5399 or megaCCAteam@energynext.com

The Municipal Electric and Gas Alliance, Inc. (MEGA), is a not-for-profit local development corporation based in Upstate New York, with two decades of successful energy aggregation programs for municipal facilities in more than 300 local jurisdictions.

Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. serves over 1.4 million residential customers with over 500,000 served through Community Choice Aggregation Programs. Services include electricity, natural gas, renewable energy, load response, energy management and energy efficiency.

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