New Electricity Supply Contract For New York State Electric and Gas (NYSEG) Utility Service Area

The Towns of Bedford, Lewisboro, North Salem, Pound Ridge, and Somers participate in the Westchester Power Program, which is managed and administered by the local non-profit Sustainable Westchester. Westchester Power has been providing residents and small businesses a clean electricity supply choice since 2016.

HERE’S HOW IT WORKS

Westchester Power (WP) helps NYSEG municipalities buy electricity in bulk for their residents and small businesses, WP customers, at a fixed-cost rate. Sustainable Westchester (SW), through a competitive bidding process, solicits responses from registered New York energy suppliers. In May 2019, NYSEG municipalities awarded Direct Energy Services the electricity supply contract for December 1, 2019, to November 30, 2020.

By buying electricity in bulk, we can receive competitive rates on sustainable energy. WP customers have the option of a green [NYS hydropower Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs)], or a standard supply [meets minimum NYS renewable energy requirement], at fixed rates.

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27 Westchester County Municipalities in Westchester Power
24 Green Supply Municipalities
115,000 Residents & Small Businesses

CONTRIBUTING TO A COUNTYWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF...

655,000 Metric Tons of CO2 mitigated, that is equivalent to 141,500 cars taken off the road for 1 year or 10.8 Million seedlings grown for 10 years
WESTCHESTER POWER PROGRAM BENEFITS

- YOUR COMMUNITY ENERGY PROGRAM - Vetted by your Town
- NO Customer Contracts, Penalties, Termination Fees, or Surprise Rate Changes
- FIXED RATES Provide Cost Control
- 100% EMISSIONS-FREE Energy Supply for Towns in the Green Supply
- FLEXIBILITY & CHOICE - Exit Program without Penalties
- YOU CAN PARTICIPATE IN WESTCHESTER POWER AND COMMUNITY SOLAR - GOING SOLAR THE EASY WAY!

○ Guarantees savings up to 10% ON YOUR ENTIRE ELECTRICITY BILL
○ Supports local CLEAN ENERGY
○ NO panel installation or fees
○ Sign-up takes 7 minutes at www.sustainablewestchester.org/solar

- Learn more about Westchester Power at https://sustainablewestchester.org/wp/
- Find answers to frequently asked questions, information on how to read your bill, and other resources here.

IT’S TIME FOR RENEWAL OF THE PROGRAM

In April of this year, Sustainable Westchester began working on a new Westchester Power electricity supply contract with a start date of December 1, 2020.

Key milestones leading up to the new contract include:

1. April to May – Municipality Information and Update Sessions

Sustainable Westchester provided information on the program's performance in each of the five NYSEG municipalities. The presentations and video recordings/minutes of the meetings can be viewed here:
2. **July – Signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

Your municipality will sign an MOU that commits it to execute the electricity supply agreement with the winning bidder if all required municipality criteria are met. In the last contract, this was primarily price (less than the previous 12 months average) and acceptance of the contract draft.

3. **July 30th - Request for Proposal (RFP) Process Begins**

Sustainable Westchester solicits RFPs from Energy Services Companies (ESCOs) registered in New York to supply electric power to WP municipalities. The selected ESCO will sign an Electric Service Agreement with WP municipalities and SW to supply electricity for the CCA Program that will begin with meter read dates in December 2020.

4. **Early October - Notification Letters Mailed**

We send out a notification letter, pre-approved by the Department of Public Service. The notification letters give customers 30 days to opt-out of the program, before automatically enrolling residents and small businesses in WP. Customers always have the ability to opt-out at any time after that with no penalty.

5. **December 1st - Enrollment Begins**

Residents and small businesses in the participating municipalities are automatically enrolled starting December 1, unless they have chosen to opt-out within the opt-out period. Customers can opt-out, or opt-in at any time with no fees or charges.