



# City of Medford

December 20, 2022

You will be automatically enrolled in the Medford CEA product, "Medford Local Green", unless you affirmatively opt out by mailing and postmarking the enclosed opt-out card by **January 23, 2023**.

Dear Medford Electricity Customer,

The City of Medford offers a program called Medford Community Electricity Aggregation (Medford CEA). The Medford CEA Program is a carefully designed alternative to your current electricity supply options, which includes those offered by National Grid and other third-party electricity suppliers. Through the Program, Medford aims to provide electricity products that increase our community's renewable energy use and reduce carbon pollution.

- Alicia L. Hunt, Director of Planning, Development & Sustainability, City of Medford

## YOUR OPTIONS

Your participation in the Program is voluntary and you can leave the Program at any time without penalties or fees.

- 1 Automatically enroll in Medford Local Green**  
If you take no action, you will be automatically enrolled in the default product, Medford Local Green, starting on your February 2023 meter read. The electricity supplier for the Medford CEA Program is NextEra.
- 2 Choose to enroll in another Medford product with more or less renewable energy content**  
To choose a different product, call the program's electricity supplier, NextEra, at (877) 960-8880, or submit a request at [MedfordCEA.com](http://MedfordCEA.com).
- 3 Choose to continue with National Grid Basic Service**  
To remain with National Grid Basic Service for your electricity supply, you must opt out. To opt out before being automatically enrolled you must take one of the following actions before **January 23, 2023**:

Postmark and mail the enclosed opt-out card      *or*      call NextEra at (877) 960-8880      *or*      submit the opt-out form at [MedfordCEA.com](http://MedfordCEA.com)

## PRODUCT SUMMARY

	National Grid Basic Service (if you opt out)	Medford Basic	Medford Local Green (automatic)	Medford 100% Local Green
<b>Price</b>	33.891 ¢/kWh – Residential 32.287 ¢/kWh – Small Business 28.736 ¢/kWh – Large Business*	15.160 ¢/kWh	15.348 ¢/kWh	18.910 ¢/kWh
<b>Voluntary Renewable Energy Content</b>	-	-	Adds 5% voluntary renewable energy (MA Class I RECs)	Adds 100% voluntary renewable energy (MA Class I RECs)
<b>Duration</b>	Nov. 1, 2022 to April 30, 2023 *Large Business: Nov. 1, 2022 to January 31, 2023	February 2023 to December 2024	February 2023 to December 2024	February 2023 to December 2024

**The Program cannot guarantee savings compared to National Grid Basic Service for the duration of the program pricing because future Basic Service rates are unknown.**

Program prices could also increase as a result of a change in law that results in a direct material increase in costs during the term of the electric supply contract. A commission fee of \$0.001 per kilowatt-hour (kWh) for the aggregation consultant is included in all program rates. The Medford CEA rates also include taxes which are billed as part of the power supply charge.

Medford CEA rates apply to service beginning and ending on the days of the month that your meter is read. Rates indicated above are for Supply Services only.

The products labeled "Green" contain additional Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) above that required by MA law. "Local" means that the additional RECs qualify for MA Class I designation from generation located within, or delivered to, New England.

## RENEWABLE ENERGY DETAIL

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts requires that all electric supply products include a minimum of 51% renewable energy resources in 2022, 59% in 2023, and 62% in 2024. This requirement includes “premium” sources, known as MA Class I, as well as other sources. For details on all required sources, see [www.mass.gov/service-details/program-summaries](http://www.mass.gov/service-details/program-summaries). Some program products contain additional renewable energy that exceeds the minimum required by the Commonwealth, as shown below.

Name	Year	Required RPS MA Class I	Required Other	Voluntary MA Class I	Total
<b>National Grid Basic Service</b> (if you opt out)	2022	20%	31%	-	<b>51%</b>
	2023	22%	37%	-	<b>59%</b>
	2024	24%	38%	-	<b>62%</b>
<b>Medford Basic</b>	2022	20%	31%	-	<b>51%</b>
	2023	22%	37%	-	<b>59%</b>
	2024	24%	38%	-	<b>62%</b>
<b>Medford Local Green</b> (automatic)	2022	20%	31%	<b>5%</b>	<b>56%</b>
	2023	22%	37%	<b>5%</b>	<b>64%</b>
	2024	24%	38%	<b>5%</b>	<b>67%</b>
<b>Medford 100% Local Green</b>	2022	20%	31%	<b>100%</b>	<b>151%</b>
	2023	22%	37%	<b>100%</b>	<b>159%</b>
	2024	24%	38%	<b>100%</b>	<b>162%</b>

The Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) is the minimum renewable energy required each year by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. MA Class I renewables are from new, regional sources (i.e., generation located within, or delivered to, New England, built after 1997). Other required renewables include Class II, Class II Waste Energy, Clean Energy Standard, and Clean Energy Standard Exiting. Medford 100% Local Green exceeds 100% renewable energy content for maximum climate impact – to learn more, see [MedfordCEA.com/Above100](http://MedfordCEA.com/Above100).

## ANSWERS TO FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Medford CEA Program’s electricity supplier is NextEra Energy Services (NextEra).
- Medford CEA does not replace National Grid as your electric utility. National Grid will continue to deliver electricity, repair outages, and manage all billing.
- You can switch to a different program supply product any time after you’ve enrolled.
- You can leave the Program with no associated early termination fees any time after you’ve enrolled. If you leave the Program, your account(s) will be returned to National Grid Basic Service on the next meter read.
- Budget Plan or Eligible Low-Income delivery rate consumers will continue to receive those benefits from National Grid.
- Solar Electricity Consumers will not be impacted and will continue to receive their net metering credits while participating in the Program.
- Exit Terms for Basic Service: There is no penalty charge for leaving National Grid’s Basic Service, however, Large Business customers may receive a billing adjustment charge or credit.
- Information about Basic Service: visit [www.mass.gov/info-details/basic-service-information-and-rates](http://www.mass.gov/info-details/basic-service-information-and-rates), or call National Grid at (800) 323-2332.
- If you are receiving electricity supply from a competitive supplier and believe you have received this opt-out letter in error, you must sign and return the enclosed opt-out card. This will ensure you continue to receive your electricity from that competitive supplier and prevent any possible early termination fees.
- Tax-exempt small business customers participating in the Program must provide a copy of their Tax-Exemption Certificate directly to NextEra via email at [Tax\\_Exemption\\_Forms@nexteraenergyservices.com](mailto:Tax_Exemption_Forms@nexteraenergyservices.com) or mail at NextEra Energy, Attn: Commercial Sales Tax Exemptions, 20455 State Highway 249, Suite 200, Houston, TX 77070 in order to maintain their tax-exempt status.

## CUSTOMER SUPPORT & MORE

For more information or customer support, please visit [MedfordCEA.com](http://MedfordCEA.com), or call (833) 637-3232.