

## Explanation of the Aggregation Plan

(To be read at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen)

Municipalities are authorized by Massachusetts General Law Chapter 164, Section 134(a) to aggregate the electric load of its residents and businesses.

At a Town Meeting on \_\_\_\_\_ the residents of \_\_\_\_\_ voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to research, develop and implement an aggregation plan and enter into a contract with a competitive supplier of electricity.

The objectives of the aggregation plan are to:

- lower the cost of electricity;
- gain longer term price stability; and
- offer more renewable energy options.

The Board of Selectmen has selected an aggregation consultant, Good Energy, L.P., to:

- develop the aggregation plan;
- formulate and implement a public outreach and education program;
- guide the aggregation plan through a very strict and comprehensive review and approval process with the Department of Energy Resources (DOER) and the Department of Public Utilities (DPU);
- develop a Request for Proposals for a competitive electricity supplier;
- monitor and manage the aggregation plan during the term of the competitive supplier contract; and
- develop and submit all required reports to the Board of Selectmen and DOER.

An important element of the process leading to approval of the aggregation plan of a municipality by the DPU is to allow for review of the aggregation plan by its citizens. In order to comply with the law, citizens will have a time period to submit written comments and a public meeting to offer oral comments.

The two (2) week period to submit written comments will be from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

The public meeting to offer oral comments will be at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen on \_\_\_\_\_.

This review by citizen will be completed before the aggregation plan is submitted to the DPU for their review and approval.