

NORTH PLAINFIELD GOVERNMENT ENERGY AGGREGATION PROGRAM UPDATE December 1, 2017

Status of the NPCEA Program

The North Plainfield Government Energy Aggregation Program completes its first program phase in December 2017. Participating residents received their electric supply from South Jersey Energy Company through the fifteen-month term of the supply agreement from September 2016 – December 2017. The savings to residents were over \$160,000 compared to the PSE&G BGS-RS tariff rate. These savings were reduced in 2017 by credits that PSE&G provided in its monthly rate adjustment. The supply agreement also provided an additional five (5) percent of renewable energy compared to PSE&G's Basic Generation Service (BGS) in addition to the net savings through the Program term. At this time, it has been determined that at PSE&G's current rates, it is better for participating Residents to return back to PSE&G's BGS supply service effective with their December 2017 meter readings. There are no actions required by residents and there are no costs for switching back to PSE&G. Participating residents will receive a notification letter from PSE&G that will confirm this switch back to the utility.

From this point, the Borough and its energy consultant, Utility Advantage, plan to conduct one or more Request-For-Proposal's for electric generation supply services with the hope that third party suppliers can offer lower rates in the future to proceed with Phase 2 of the Program to provide further savings to participating residents. Customers will be notified of any subsequent awards to provide electric supply and will be offered the same option to "opt-out" of the program if they choose not to participate in the future.

If you have any questions about the North Plainfield Government Energy Aggregation Program, please contact the Borough's consultant:

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<u>Background</u>

The Borough of North Plainfield passed an ordinance in June 2014 to establish the North Plainfield Government Energy Aggregation Program. This program is a Government-Private





energy aggregation program that permits the municipality to aggregate residential and nonresidential customers in North Plainfield for the purpose of purchasing electricity at lower rates than currently available from the utility company (PSE&G). Goals of the NPCEA Program are to purchase energy supply from Third Party Electricity Suppliers at prices lower than the average utility price, with the possibility of added benefits such as higher renewable energy content.

