

2023 Annual Report: Waltham Community Electricity

Public Access Attachment III.C

Public Access to Plan/Ongoing Program Information	
Location	Description
Municipal website	Municipal website community electricity page provides information on the program structure and operation and access to the program website. The community electricity page can be accessed in the “Community Electricity” icon on the homepage. City.waltham.ma.us/home/pages/waltham-community-electricity-program
Program website	Program website provides information on the program structure and operation, product rates, access to the aggregation plan, and instructions to enroll, select a different product, and leave the program. The website also provides contact information for the program supplier and consultant. https://waltham-cea.com/
Social media accounts	Municipality issued social media posts with renewed program pricing as a method to notify residents and businesses of the upcoming program changes and their options to participate.
Announcement to local/ regional media	Municipality issued a press release with renewed program pricing as a method to notify residents and businesses of the upcoming program changes and their options to participate.
Physical Mailing	Municipality mailed letters with renewed program pricing as a method to notify residents and businesses of the upcoming program changes and their options to participate.

**Organizational Structure
Attachment IV.A**

Organizational Structure			
Core Functions	Performing Entity		
	Municipality	Consultant	Supplier
Liaisons/Representatives/Agents			
Municipal Representative/Agent before Department (iii)	Crystal Philpott, cphilpott@city.waltham.ma.us , 781-314-3244	Good Energy, L.P.	Direct Energy, Dynegy
Liaison with DOER		X	
Liaison with Electric Distribution Companies		X	
Plan Elements			
Procurement of Supply		X	
Product Determination	X		
Other Funding/Costs	X		
Customer Enrollment			X
Customer Notifications/Outreach/Education	X	X	
Ongoing Program Information	X	X	
Program Termination	X		
Annual Reports		X	
Customer Service	Frank Nakashian, fnakashian@city.waltham.ma.us , 781-314-3382	Allison McNeill, Support_MA@goodenergy.com , (339) 204-6820	Direct Energy Customer Support: aggregationsupport@directenergy.com , (866) 968-8065 Dynegy Customer Support: DESCustCare@Dynegy.com , (866) 220-5696

Equitable Treatment of Customer Classes
Attachment IV.B.1.c

Equitable Treatment of Customer Classes					
Plan Element					
Procurement of supply (§ IV.B.2)	Product Rate Setting/Renewable Energy Content (§ IV.B.3)	Other Funding sources/Costs (§ IV.B.4)	Customer Enrollment (§ IV.B.5)	Customer Notifications (§ IV.B.6)	Ongoing Program Notification (§ IV.B.7)
	X				

Procurement of Supply
Attachment IV.B.2

Procurement of Supply	
Procurement Steps	Timeline
Issue RFQs/RFPs	April 17, 2023
Negotiate ESA	April 17 - May 16, 2023
Evaluate Bids and Execute ESA	May 5 - May 16, 2023

**Opt-Out Notification
Attachment IV.B.6.a**

Representative Opt-Out Notification							
		Municipal Aggregation Products				Basic Service	
		Waltham Basic (Optional)	Waltham 10 (Default)	Waltham 50 (Optional)	Waltham 100 (Optional)	January through June 2023	July through December 2023
Price (in \$/kWh)		\$0.10554/kWh	\$0.10912/kWh	\$0.12344/kWh	\$0.14134/kWh	\$0.25776/kWh	\$0.16078/kWh
Renewable Energy Content (in % of total)							
Required		59%	59%	59%	59%	59%	59%
Voluntary	RPS Class I	0%	10%	50%	100%	0%	0%
Total		59%	69%	109%	159%	59%	59%
Supplier Name		Direct Energy				Eversource	Eversource
Effective Dates		May 2021 until December 2023				Jan. 1 through Jun. 30, 2023	Jul. 1 through Dec. 31, 2023

**Notification of Product Change
Attachment IV.B.6.b**

Notification of Product Change: Waltham Basic			
		Optional Product: Waltham Basic	
		Old	Current/New
		Waltham Basic	Waltham Basic
Price (in \$/kWh)		\$0.10554/kWh	\$0.14950/kWh
Renewable Energy Content (in % of total)			
Required		59%	59%
Voluntary	RPS Class I	0%	0%
TOTAL		59%	59%
Supplier Name		Direct Energy	Dynegy
Effective Dates		May 2021 until December 2023	December 2023 through December 2025

Notification of Product Change: Waltham Standard			
		Default Product: Waltham Standard	
		Old	Current/New
		Waltham 10	Waltham Standard
Price (in \$/kWh)		\$0.10912/kWh	\$0.15346/kWh
Renewable Energy Content (in % of total)			
Required		59%	59%
Voluntary	RPS Class I	10%	10%
TOTAL		69%	69%
Supplier Name		Direct Energy	Dynegy
Effective Dates		May 2021 until December 2023	December 2023 through December 2025

Notification of Product Change: Waltham 50			
		Optional Product: Waltham 50	
		Old	Current/New
		Waltham 50	No longer offered
Price (in \$/kWh)		\$0.12344/kWh	–
Renewable Energy Content (in % of total)			
Required		59%	–
Voluntary	RPS Class I	50%	–
TOTAL		109%	–
Supplier Name		Direct Energy	–
Effective Dates		May 2021 until December 2023	No longer offered

Notification of Product Change: Waltham Plus			
		Optional Product: Waltham Plus	
		Old	Current/New
		Waltham 100	Waltham Plus
Price (in \$/kWh)		\$0.14134/kWh	\$0.16455/kWh
Renewable Energy Content (in % of total)			
Required		59%	59%
Voluntary	RPS Class I	100%	41%
TOTAL		159%	100%
Supplier Name		Direct Energy	Dynegy
Effective Dates		May 2021 until December 2023	December 2023 through December 2025

Annual Product Information
Attachment IV.B.7.b.i

Annual Product Information: January 2023 until December 2023									
		Waltham Basic (Optional)		Waltham 10 (Default)		Waltham 50 (Optional)		Waltham 100 (Optional)	
Rate Components (in \$/kWh)									
Supply and Renewable Energy Costs		\$0.10454/kWh		\$0.10812/kWh		\$0.12244/kWh		\$0.14034/kWh	
Adders	Consultant Services	\$0.001/kWh		\$0.001/kWh		\$0.001/kWh		\$0.001/kWh	
TOTAL		\$0.10554/kWh		\$0.10912/kWh		\$0.12344/kWh		\$0.14134/kWh	
Renewable Energy Content (in % of total)									
Required		59%		59%		59%		59%	
Voluntary	RPS Class I	0%		10%		50%		100%	
TOTAL		59%		69%		109%		159%	
Participants		Average #	kWh	Average #	kWh	Average #	kWh	Average #	kWh
Residential		860	5,420,060	13,987	73,780,512	138	800,107	327	2,304,683
Low-Income		49	287,920	1,047	5,057,448	4	13,793	6	22,041
Small Commercial & Industrial		52	749,486	1,944	13,422,743	6	44,567	10	36,184
Large Commercial & Industrial		25	2,467,567	510	52,891,360	2	61,479	1	7,255
TOTAL		986	8,925,033	17,487	145,152,063	150	919,946	344	2,370,163
Supplier Name		Direct Energy		Direct Energy		Direct Energy		Direct Energy	
Effective Dates		May 2021 until December 2023		May 2021 until December 2023		May 2021 until December 2023		May 2021 until December 2023	

Annual Product Information: December 2023									
		Waltham Basic (Optional)		Waltham Standard (Default)		No longer offered		Waltham Plus (Optional)	
Rate Components (in \$/kWh)									
Supply and Renewable Energy Costs		\$0.14850/kWh		\$0.15246/kWh		—		\$0.16355/kWh	
Adders	Consultant Services	\$0.001/kWh		\$0.001/kWh		—		\$0.001/kWh	
TOTAL		\$0.14950/kWh		\$0.15346/kWh		—		\$0.16455/kWh	
Renewable Energy Content (in % of total)									
Required		59%		59%		—		59%	
Voluntary	RPS Class I	0%		10%		—		41%	
TOTAL		59%		69%		—		100%	
Participants		Average #	kWh	Average #	kWh	Average #	kWh	Average #	kWh
Residential		1,016	637,667	15,552	7,719,897	—	—	383	264,012
Low-Income		63	33,899	1,173	539,592	—	—	6	2,028
Small Commercial & Industrial		66	80,983	2,251	1,721,887	—	—	14	6,555
Large Commercial & Industrial		26	273,458	471	5,276,809	—	—	1	551
TOTAL		1,171	1,026,007	19,447	15,258,185	—	—	404	273,146
Supplier Name		Dynergy		Dynergy		—		Dynergy	
Effective Dates		December 2023 through December 2025		December 2023 through December 2025		No longer offered		December 2023 through December 2025	

Annual Adder Information
Attachment IV.B.7.b.ii


Annual Adder Information	
Type of Adder	Revenue (in \$)
Supply and Renewable Content	\$ 19,595,428
Consultant Services	\$ 173,924

Voluntary Annual Renewable Energy Content Information
Attachment IV.B.7.b.iii

Voluntary Annual Renewable Energy Information		
Category of Renewable Energy	MWh	Mechanism
RPS Class I	18,983 WMh	NEPOOL GIS

Attachments

Social Media




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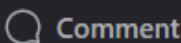
Waltham Community Electricity has been Renewed through December 2025 - New Program prices start December 2023

Waltham Community Electricity, the City's electricity sup... [See more](#)

New Program prices starting December 2023 compared to utility prices

			
Waltham Standard	Waltham Basic	Waltham Plus	Eversource Basic Service
15.346 ¢/kWh All Rate Classes	14.950 ¢/kWh All Rate Classes	16.455 ¢/kWh All Rate Classes	16.078 ¢/kWh Residential
Adds 10% voluntary renewable energy (MA Class I RECs)	No additional renewable energy	Adds voluntary renewable energy (MA Class I RECs) to total 100%	No additional renewable energy
December 2023 through November 2025	December 2023 through November 2025	December 2023 through November 2025	July 2023 through December 2023

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Announcement to local/regional media

Waltham Community Electricity has been Renewed through December 2025 - New Program prices start December 2023

POSTED ON: NOVEMBER 15, 2023 - 3:42PM

Waltham Community Electricity, the City's electricity supply program operating since 2021, has been renewed with new pricing through November 2025. The program's current electricity supply contract expires in December 2023. Updated program pricing is available on our website: [Waltham-CEA.com](https://waltham-cea.com). Most participants do not need to take any action to remain in the program and receive the new pricing for the product in which they are currently enrolled.

The electricity market and regulatory costs have changed since our first contract was signed in May 2021, and the new prices are rising to reflect current market conditions. **These renewal rates will be valid from December 2023 through November 2025.** Although the prices will be higher than current prices, they will still be lower than Eversource's current residential Basic Service price.

The voluntary renewable energy content in our Program's optional product comes from projects that qualify as MA Class I renewables and makes a sizable impact on the City's carbon footprint. Since Waltham Community Electricity's launch in 2021, participants have cumulatively purchased 36,300 MWh of renewable energy. This equates to avoiding over 27,515,400 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions cumulatively. Over 24,500 accounts participate in the program, a vast majority of the City's residential, commercial, and industrial electricity users. **Participants have collectively saved more than \$22,600,000 since the program's launch in 2021.**

The new program price will first appear on January 2024 Eversource electric bills, and the electricity supplier will be listed as "City of Waltham WCE – Direct Energy". This is a City-operated program open to all Waltham residents and businesses. To re-enroll or change your product selection, call Vistra at (866) 220-5696 or [complete an enrollment form on the program site](#). Participants may [leave the program](#) at any time without fees or penalties. [Any questions? Use the contact form here.](#)

The tables below show the new prices for our program compared to Eversource:

	Eversource Basic Service (If you leave the program)	Waltham Basic	Waltham Standard (Community Default)	Waltham Plus
Price	16.078 ¢/kWh - Residential 15.899 ¢/kWh - Small Business 15.614 ¢/kWh - Large Business*	14.95 ¢/kWh	15.346 ¢/kWh	16.455¢/kWh
Voluntary Renewable Energy	Meets the state required minimum	Meets the state required minimum	Adds 10% voluntary renewable energy (MA Class I RECs)	Adds voluntary renewable energy (MA Class I RECs) to total 100%
Duration	July 1 – December 31, 2023 *Large Business: October – December 2023	December 2023 – November 2025	December 2023 – November 2025	December 2023 – November 2025
The Program cannot guarantee savings beyond the current term of Eversource Basic Service, as stated in the table above, because future Eversource Basic Service rates are unknown.				

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