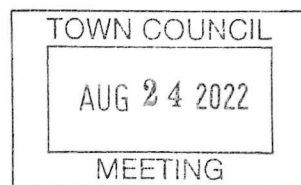


Community Choice Aggregation (CCA)

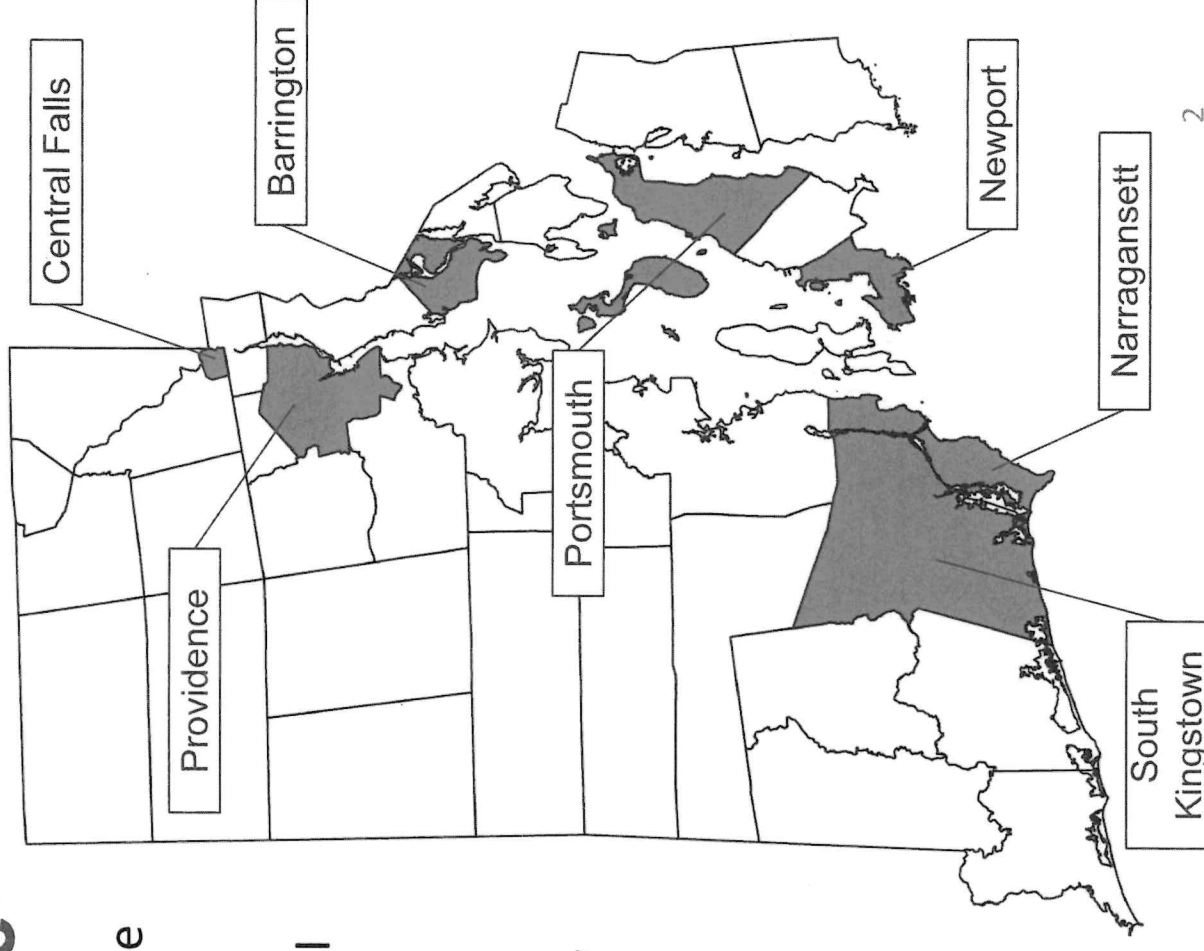
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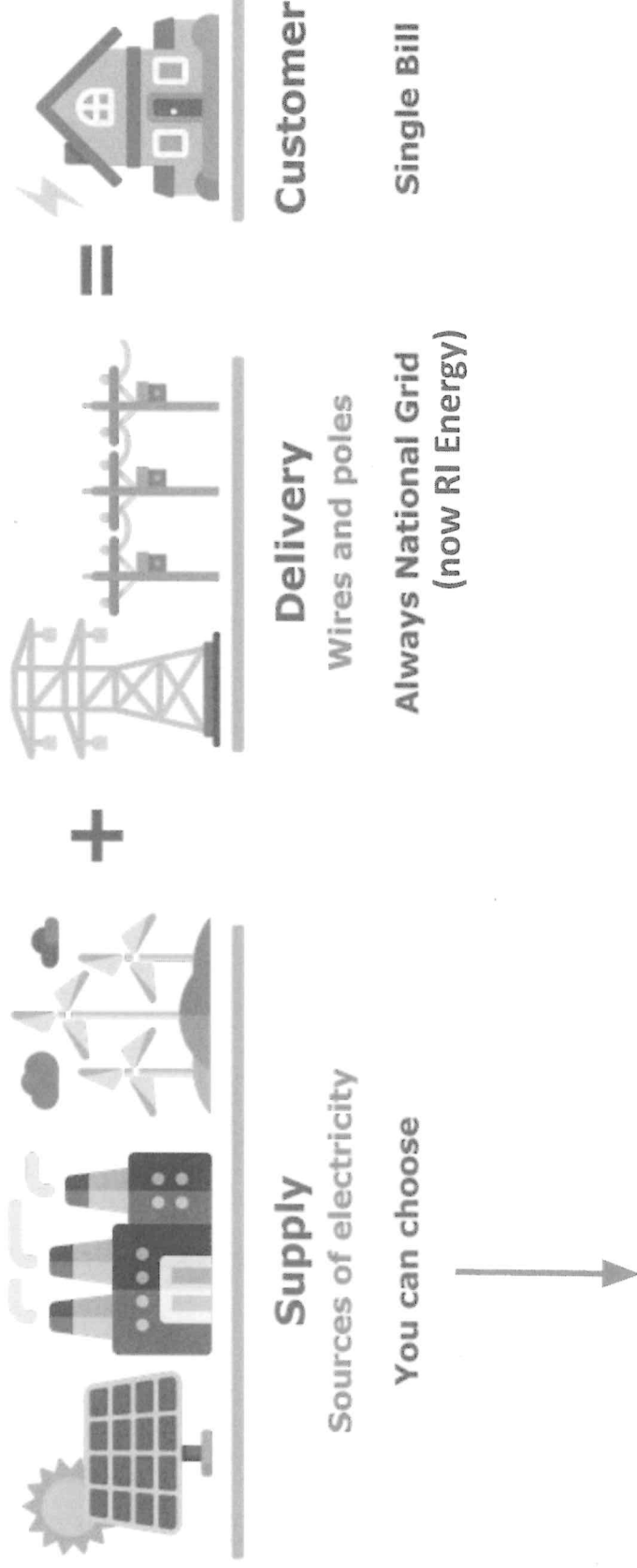


Good Energy Experience

- 10 years managing aggregations nationwide
- New England team active in MA & RI
 - 53 municipal clients in MA and 7 in RI
 - 43 active programs serving 2,500 GWh and 1 million residents
 - Operate multiple CCA buying-groups, including 25-communities in southeast MA
- Together with Green Energy Consumers Alliance, pioneered and scaled now-dominant green aggregation model

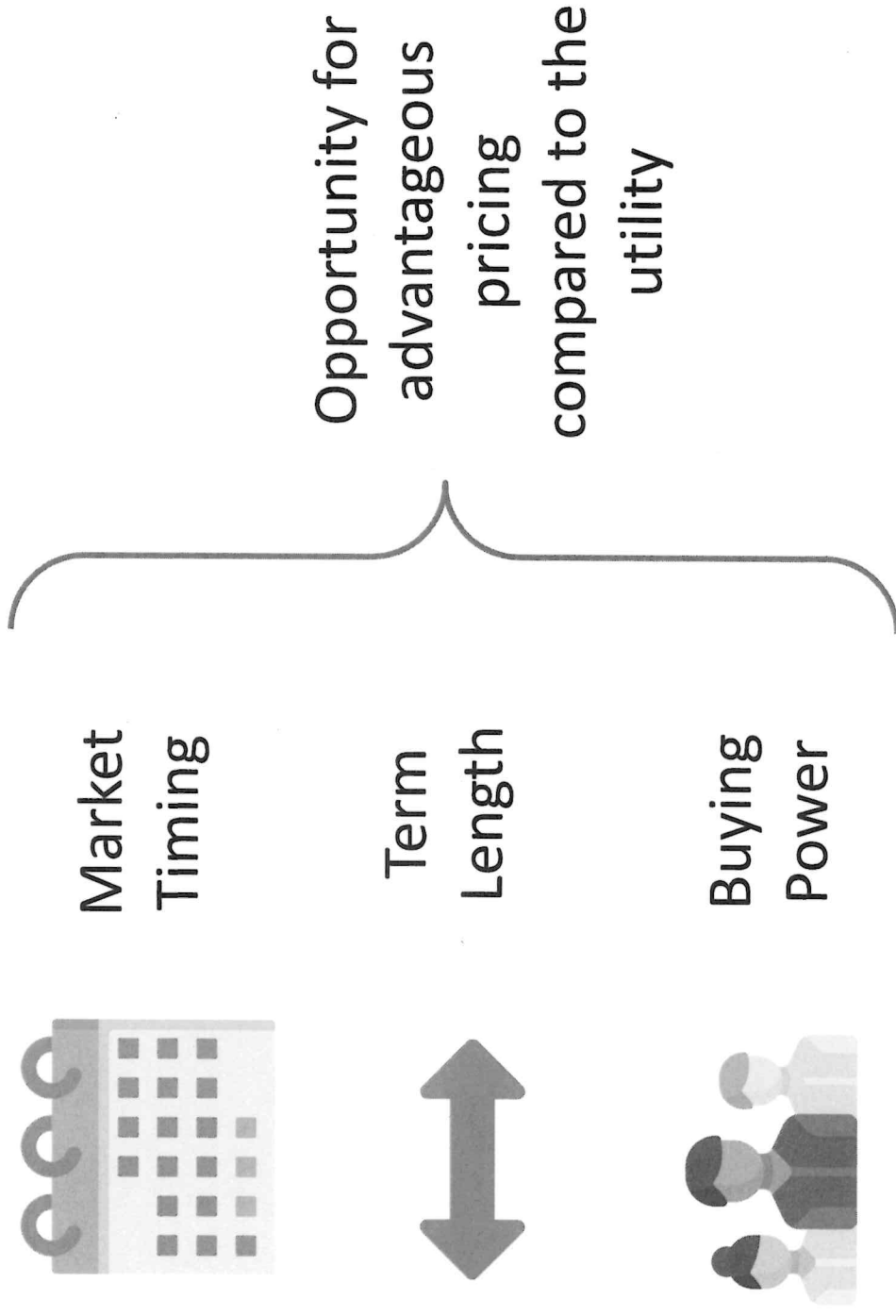


Electricity Choice in Rhode Island



CCA is an opportunity to **localize control** over energy supply and extend benefits of competitive market to **residents and small businesses**

Goal: Stable & Competitive Pricing



Good Energy has secured savings for all of our active clients in MA over the course of each of their programs

Savings compared to Last Resort Service cannot be guaranteed.

Goal: Use Renewables & Consumer Choice

RI Energy
Last Resort Service

Third Party Offers

Community Choice Aggregation Program

Standard/Default
(for automatic enrollment)



Adds 5-20% RI New
Renewables

Basic



Meets State
standards for
renewable energy

100%



100% RI New
Renewables

Participant Experience

- Voluntary participation with automatic enrollment
 - No penalty or fee to leave the program, ever!
 - Leave before the program begins or anytime during
 - Customers who have not chosen a third party supplier
- RI Energy continues to handle billing and maintenance (e.g. power outages)
- Does not affect net metering or any low-income discount rates

Why we use an opt-out program

Opt-Out Program

- **Critical for competitive bids**
- Provides the scale and bulk buying power of - or in excess of - the largest commercial users
- Provides high degree of certainty on total load for supplier

Opt-In Program

- Unknown level of participation
- Unlikely to get sufficient scale to get supplier bids
- High risk
- High price premium
- Recruitment costs

Creating an Optimal Environment for Aggregation



Streamlined PUC Review Process

Created a tailored and efficient process for the PUC to review and approve programs.



Purchase of Receivables

POR likely leads to lower pricing by encouraging supplier participation in the market and reducing risk premiums related to non-payment.



Utility Aggregation Tariff

Assisted National Grid to create a tariff specifying interactions between utility and aggregations.
Same tariff in place for RI Energy

POR enables customers to maintain budget billing and/or arrearage programs while participating in the aggregation, especially important for protecting low income customers.



Custom Energy Source Disclosure Label

Developed an aggregation-specific label that will provide enhanced transparency for consumers.



Annual Report Requirements

Proposed annual reporting requirements based on best-practices nationwide

NEWS

Record-high winter electric rates sought: 'Something we've never seen before'



Alex Kuffner
The Providence Journal

Published 1:23 p.m. ET July 21, 2022

PROVIDENCE — Most Rhode Island homes and businesses will see a nearly 50% increase in their monthly electric bills starting Oct. 1, with energy rates in the state climbing higher than ever before, because of surging prices for fossil fuels and global market uncertainty.

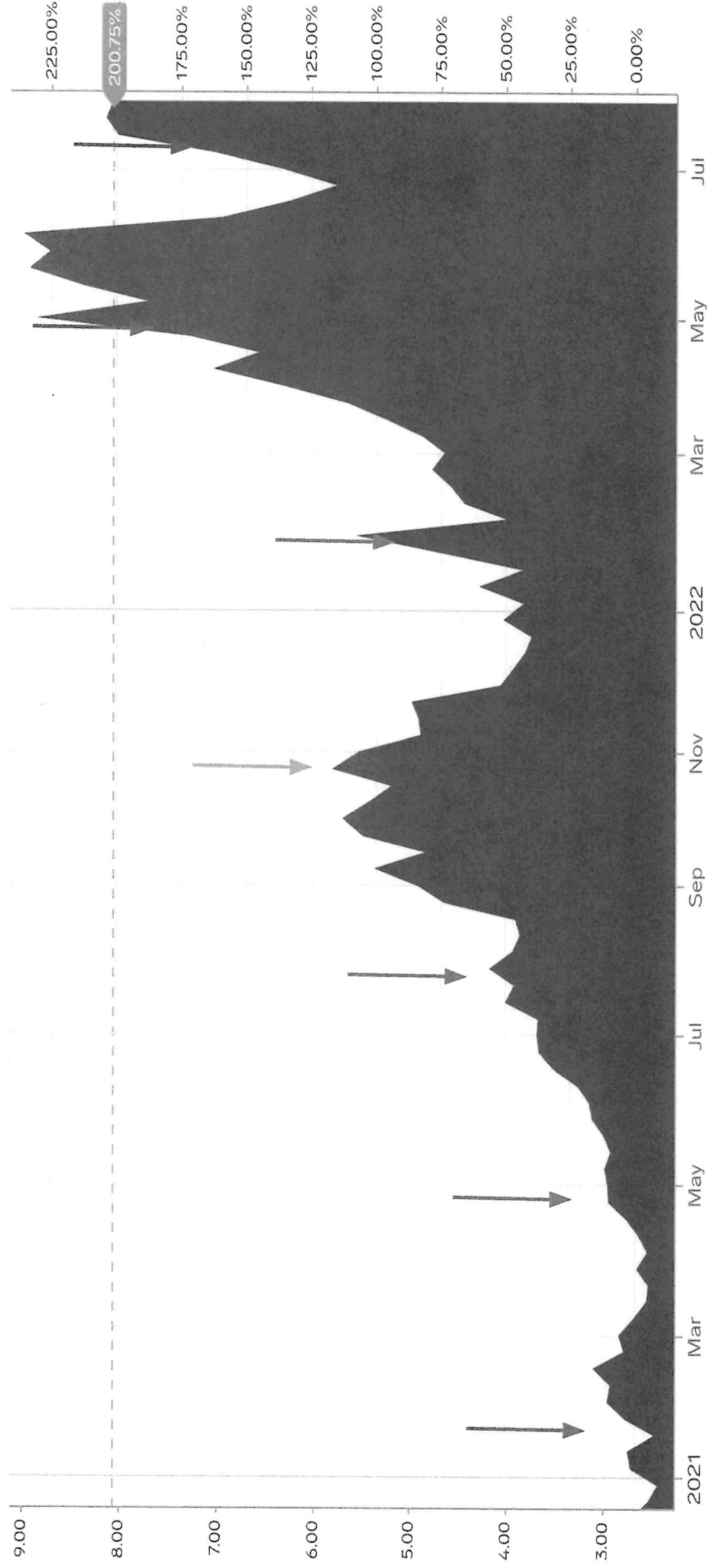
Under rates filed Thursday with state regulators by Rhode Island Energy, the bill for the typical household that uses 500 kilowatt hours of power per month will jump from about \$111 to more than \$163, a 47% difference. Commercial customers, whose usage varies, will experience bill hikes ranging from about 41% to 51%.

Previously: Electric rates expected to be even higher than originally thought for Rhode Islanders

At 17.8 cents per kilowatt hour, the residential rate would be the highest on record going back at least to 2000. It's more than double the rate currently in effect. The commercial rate will be 18.3 cents per kilowatt hour.

"When prices went down to one of their lowest levels in years this spring, the winter forecasts did not look good. Unfortunately, those forecasts were accurate and the price of electricity this winter is something we have never seen before," Dave Bonenberger, president of Rhode Island Energy, said in a statement.

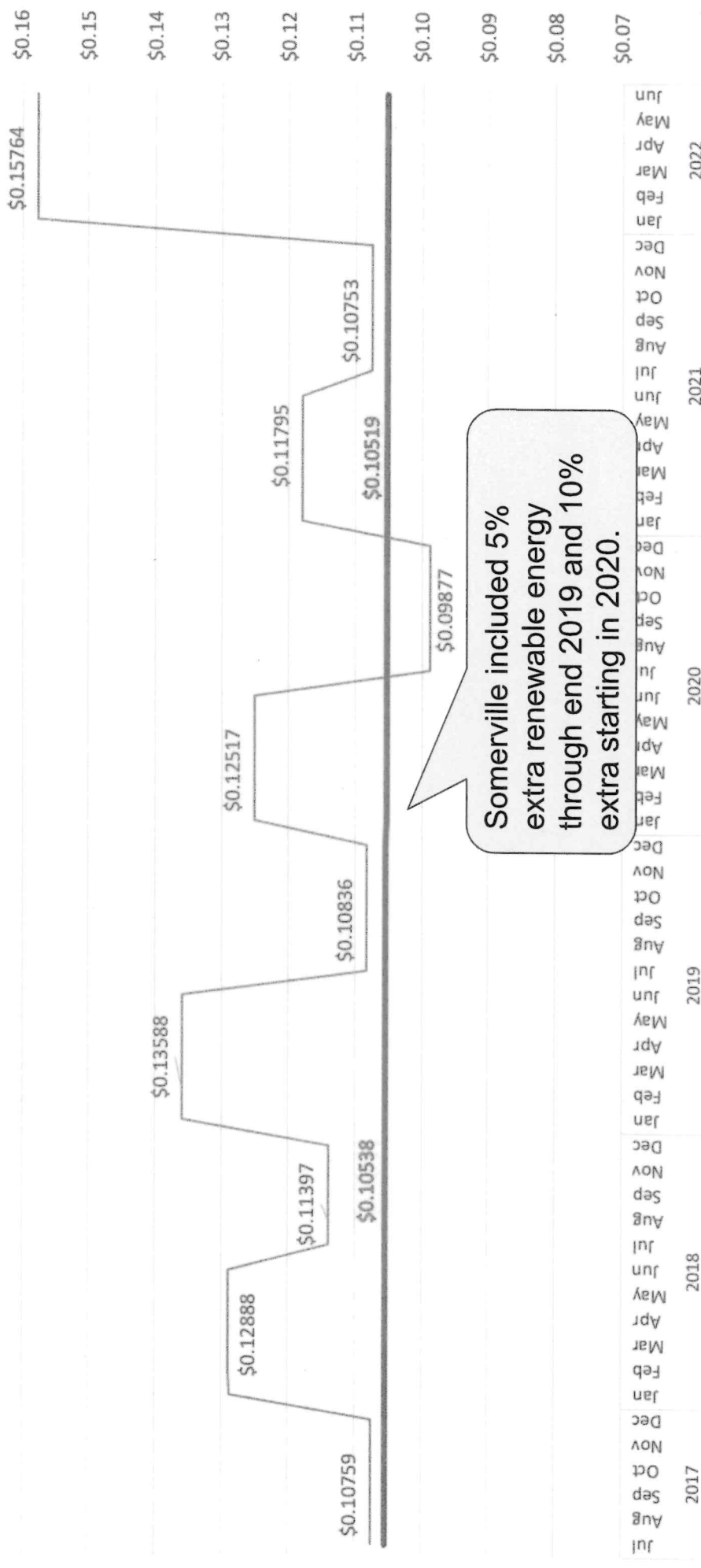
Why the Price Spike?



Natural gas 12-month strip

Example: Somerville, MA

Somerville Local Compared to Eversource Basic Service Residential Rate



Somerville included 5% extra renewable energy through end 2019 and 10% extra starting in 2020.

—Eversource Residential —Somerville Default (+5%/+10% Class I)

Savings compared to utility Standard Offer supply cannot be guaranteed.

Custom Outreach Arlington, MA

Website, lawn sign, and tri-fold flyer




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Arlington Community Electricity (ACE) is Arlington's program that provides more renewable electricity to Arlington residents and businesses.

Choose 100% renewable electricity and be a climate champion.

ACT NOW!

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SAME PROGRAM, NEW NAME

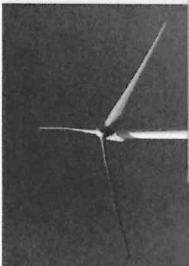
The Town has renamed Arlington Community Choice Aggregation (ARLINGTON CCA) to Arlington Community Electricity (ACE) and will continue to receive electricity based on your previously chosen program.

Arlington Community Electricity is a municipal aggregation (or Co-op) for renewable energy.

BENEFITS

ACE supports renewable energy generation in New England, creating demand for development of more resources, such as wind and solar power. ACE electricity supply rates are fixed until November 2022.

Town-vetted options give you more control over your electricity costs and multi-year rate stability.



Wind turbine
Sustainable

Sign up today

Through the website
ACE.ArlingtonMA.gov

OR

Call the program supplier
Direct Energy 866-968-8065

Future savings against Eversource Basic

Options

Arlington Community Electricity offers four electricity supply options at different price points, with various amounts of renewable energy to fit the budget and climate goals of all residents and businesses in Arlington.

Energy

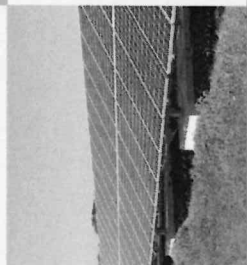
Arlington Community Electricity's standard product and optional products include more renewable energy than required by the Commonwealth. This means support for the growth of renewable energy generation in our region.

Participation

Choose 100% Renewable Electricity
Act Now and Join Us!
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1,000

Thousands of households in Arlington have joined the ACE program, most on the standard option with 11% of additional renewable energy certificates. Since the program launch in 2017, over 1,000 people have chosen the 100% option, significantly increasing their support for renewable energy sources in New England.



ACE.ArlingtonMA.gov