



# Welcome to Westchester Power!

...New York State's first Community Choice Aggregation Program. The Village of Croton has joined with 20 other Westchester Municipalities in an energy program that leverages their collective buying power to secure fixed rate electric supply on behalf of their residents and small businesses.

Westchester Power, serving as program manager for the Village, is working to accelerate the availability of electricity and Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) options in Westchester County. Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. ("Constellation") is the program supplier for this term in the Con Ed service territory.

Questions? Call the Westchester Power office at 914-242-4725, or email info@westchesterpower.org.

## You need do nothing to enroll

All eligible residential and small commercial electricity customers in your municipality are **AUTOMATICALLY** enrolled in the program unless you opt out as described below. Beginning with the bill you receive for your May-June service period, **Constellation will be reflected as your supplier** on your utility bill.

#### **Benefits**

**PRICE STABILITY** – No more monthly fluctuations - the Westchester Power rate will remain fixed until your January 2019 meter read date.

**CHOICE** – This program automatically enrolls you in a rate that includes electric supply and Green-e Energy certified Renewable Energy Certificates in an amount equal to 100% of your electricity load. An additional basic service supply option is also available.

LOW RATES – The Westchester Power Program solicited bids from eligible suppliers, and program initiation was conditional on achieving rates that were lower than the average of the preceding 12 months. While there is no guarantee of future savings, since program inception (May 2016) residential and small commercial customers in the ConEdison territory have saved nearly \$9 million in aggregate compared to what they would have paid had they taken supply service from ConEdison.

Rate class	Energy Supply backed 100% by Renewable Energy Certificates (Green Option)	Basic Supply Option
Residential (EL1)	**\$0.0800	**\$0.0770
Small Commercial (EL2)	**\$0.0997	**\$0.0993

<sup>\*\*</sup> Does not include Gross Receipt Tax (GRT). If your municipality collects GRT, it will be added to these rates.

## This only affects electricity supply

Delivery remains the responsibility of your utility, Con Edison. You'll be billed in exactly the same way, but your electric supply will now come from **Constellation**. You will continue to call your local utility, Con Edison, in the event of an interruption in your electricity service. Con Edison's service level to you will not change in any way.

#### **Opting** out

<u>There is no penalty or fee to opt out of the program.</u> If you decide that the fixed rate power supply offered by Westchester Power is not for you,

- You may opt out before your enrollment starts by doing any of the following within 30 days of receiving this letter:
  - o Return opt out postcard, OR
  - O Go to www.westchesterpower.org, and submit the Opt Out Form, OR
  - Call the Westchester Power office at 914-242-4725
- You may de-enroll from the Westchester Power at any point thereafter:
  - O Go to www.westchesterpower.org, and submit the Opt Out Form, OR
  - Call the Westchester Power office at 914-242-4725

### Switching to basic supply

If you wish to switch to basic supply instead, you may at any time:

- Go to www.westchesterpower.org, and submit the Opt Down Form, OR
- o Call the Westchester Power office at 914-242-4725

For questions or more information, please visit www.westchesterpower.org, or call (914) 242-4725.

Sincerely,
Sustainable Westchester

Municipalities Participating in the Westchester Power Program:

New Rochelle \* White Plains \* Town of Bedford \* Town of Greenburgh \* Town of Mamaroneck
Town of New Castle \* Town of Ossining \* Village of Hasting-on-Hudson \* Village of Irvington
Village of Larchmont \* Village of Mamaroneck \* Village of Mount Kisco \* Village of Ossining
Village of Pelham \* Village of Pleasantville \* Village of Rye Brook \* Village of Tarrytown
Croton on Hudson \* Town of Lewisboro \* Town of Somers \* Town of North Salem



March 28, 2018

#### Dear Westchester County Resident,

The purpose of this mailing is to inform you about the renewable content included as part of the Westchester Power Community Choice Aggregation program, which is currently being supplied by Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. The renewable product is called Westchester Power National Wind and is certified by Green-e Energy. The Westchester Power National Wind product includes Green-e Energy certified Renewable Energy Certificates in an amount equal to 100% of your electricity load. The physical electricity that you consume will come from the New York regional grid, also called the New York Independent System Operator. We will match each MWh of your consumption with one Green-e Energy certified Renewable Energy Certificate generated by wind power. For more information, please go to <a href="https://www.constellation.com/ny-westchesterpower">www.constellation.com/ny-westchesterpower</a>.

In order to ensure that you know how much of what renewable resource you are buying, we will be sending you future correspondence that confirms that we have purchased the renewable content we indicated we would in this correspondence and/or notifying you of any changes in that renewable content.

This letter contains a prospective content label which describes the details of Westchester Power National Wind as well as the terms and conditions governing the Sustainable Westchester's Westchester Power Community Choice Aggregation.

Thank you for participating in the Sustainable Westchester Community Choice Aggregation program. Together we can make a difference for a cleaner environment and a more secure energy future.

Sincerely,

Vice President, Aggregations Constellation NewEnergy, Inc.

#### 2018 PROSPECTIVE PRODUCT CONTENT LABEL<sup>1</sup>

Westchester Power National Wind is a Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) product and does not contain electricity, which may be billed separately or by a separate company. A REC represents the environmental benefits of 1 megawatt hour (MWh) of renewable energy that can be paired with electricity. For more information, see <a href="https://www.constellation.com/ny-westchesterpower">www.constellation.com/ny-westchesterpower</a>.

Westchester Power National Wind matches 100% of your electricity usage. In 2018, Westchester Power National Wind will be made up of the following renewable resources.

Green-e Energy Certified New <sup>2</sup> Renewables in Westchester Power National Wind		Generation Location	
-Wind	100%	National	
TOTAL	100%	THE RESERVE AND DESCRIPTION	

- 1. These figures reflect the renewables that we have contracted to provide. Actual figures may vary according to resource availability. We will annually report to you before August 1 of next year in the form of a Historical Product Content Label the actual resource mix of the RECs.
- 2. New Renewables come from generation facilities that first began commercial operation within the past 15 years.

For comparison, the Consolidated Edison of New York 2015 mix of energy sources includes: Coal (1%), Nuclear (33%), Oil (1%), Natural Gas (53%), Hydroelectric (6%), Wind (4%), Biomass (less than 1%), Solar, (less than 1%), Solid Waste (less than 1%), Renewable Biogas (less than 1%). (from New York State Department of Public Service)

The average home in the United States uses 901 kWh per month. [Source: U.S. EIA, 2015]

For specific information about this REC product, please contact Constellation NewEnergy, Inc., 888-437-1722, home@constellation.com, www.constellation.com.



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("Constellation")

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**Exelon Corporation)** 

Whom should I contact for more information?

Westchester Power Office: (914) 242-4725 /

info@westchesterpower.org

Constellation: (888) 437-1722 / Customercare@constellation.com

What is the contract length?

Ending January 2019 meter read dates.

How much will Westchester Power National Wind cost?

For residential customers, Westchester Power National Wind costs \$.08 per kWh. This price reflects the cost of both electricity as well as the separate Renewable Energy Certificates to cover 100 % of your electricity usage. In order to calculate your bill we multiply the number of kWh you use by this rate. If your municipality charges Gross Receipts Tax (GRT), the price you pay will reflect that rate as well (approximately 1% in most cases).

Will my rates change over time?

The price is fixed unless there are changes in laws or regulations that impact our ability to serve customers in your service territory.

What are the enrollment options?

Customers wishing to purchase renewable attributes as part of the Sustainable Westchester Power aggregation can choose the Green-e Energy certified Westchester Power National Wind product which is billed on a per kWh basis on your utility bill. Customers who are not purchasing this product, but would like to do so, can do so through one of the contact options listed above.

What other fees might I be charged?

There are no fees or charges for opting out of this program or de-enrolling with Constellation. As mentioned above, depending on your municipality, the price you pay may be increased to reflect Gross Receipts Tax. Your local utility, Con Edison, will charge you separately for delivery of electricity and your payment obligations to them are not impacted by your decision to purchase electricity and/or Renewable Energy Certificates from Constellation.

How will I be billed?

You will continue to be billed by Con Edison on a monthly basis and the rate you see will reflect the purchase of electricity and Renewable Energy Certificates from Constellation.

Can I cancel my participation?

Yes, you can cancel your participation at any time by calling 1-888-437-1722, or emailing <a href="mailto:customercare@constellation.com">customercare@constellation.com</a>.

If I want to terminate this agreement/ contract, what is the early termination fee?

There is no fee for canceling your participation.

What is a REC product?

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