



City of Melrose Melrose Community Power Program

October 21, 2022

Dear Melrose Electricity Customer,

The city of Melrose is offering Melrose Community Power (MCP), which provides new City-vetted options for electricity supply. National Grid will continue to deliver your electricity, however, the electricity supplier was chosen by the city of Melrose through a competitive bid process that leveraged the bulk-buying power of our community, understanding that savings cannot be guaranteed.

You will be automatically enrolled in the MCP product, “Melrose Local Green,” as of your December 2022 or January 2023 electricity meter read, unless you choose one of our optional products or choose to opt out.

To opt out and avoid automatic enrollment in the Melrose Community Power Program, you must do one of the following before November 23, 2022:



mail and postmark the enclosed opt-out card

OR



call Nextera Energy Services at (855) 639-8058

OR



submit the opt-out form at MCP.CityofMelrose.org

Participants may also opt out of Melrose Community Power at any time during the Program without penalty. Please read further to learn more about MCP.

— Mayor Paul Brodeur, City of Melrose

MCP GOALS



Renewable Energy

MCP’s standard product includes more renewable energy certificates, known as Massachusetts Class I RECs, than required by the Commonwealth. This means you are helping to support the growth of renewable energy in our region. Optional products that include a higher amount of renewable energy certificates are also available and described below.



Electricity Choice

MCP offers different electricity supply choices with different levels of renewable energy certificates to match your budget and climate goals.



Competitive and Stable Prices

All MCP prices are fixed through November 2024, whereas National Grid Basic Service prices change every six months for Residential and Commercial customers, and every three months for Large Commercial and Industrial customers. MCP offers options that are intended to be price competitive with National Grid Basic Service, however, **savings cannot be guaranteed**. This is because Basic Service rates are not known for the entire period of Melrose’s contract and may therefore be above or below MCP rates in any given period.

MCP OPTIONS

Standard Product

- Melrose Local Green:** This is the **standard product** that you will be automatically enrolled in if you do nothing. It includes 10% more renewable energy certificates than required by Massachusetts. This product helps you be a climate leader, while still focusing on competitive prices. The goal for this product is to be equal to, or lower than, average National Grid Basic Service rates over Melrose’s contract term. However, as Basic Service rates change, **savings cannot be guaranteed** for any given period.

Other Products

MCP also offers optional electricity products, each with differing amounts of renewable energy certificates relative to state requirements. To enroll in any of these optional products, you must contact the supplier, **Nextera Energy Services**, at (855) 639-8058, or sign up on the aggregation website: MCP.CityofMelrose.org.

- Melrose 100% Local Green:** This is an **optional product**. It includes renewable energy certificates (MA Class I) equal to one hundred percent (100%) of a customer’s electricity consumption. It also meets all renewable energy standards set by the Commonwealth.
- Melrose Basic:** This is an **optional product**. It includes the minimum amount of renewable energy certificates (MA Class I) required by the Commonwealth.

GREEN & LOCAL

Products described as Green contain additional Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) above that required by MA law. The additional RECs qualify for MA Class I designation and come only from solar, wind, anaerobic digestion and low impact hydro. Local means 100% of the additional RECs are sourced from New England.

MCP PRICING

	Electricity Supply Product	Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs)	Residential	Commercial	Large Commercial and Industrial (C&I)	Price Period
MCP	Melrose Local Green (standard)	10% greater than MA Class I requirements	\$0.11537/kWh	\$0.11537/kWh	\$0.11537/kWh	December 2022 - November 2024 Rates apply to service beginning and ending on the days of the month that your meter is read.
	Melrose 100% Local Green (optional)	MA Class I RECs equal to 100% of customer's metered consumption	\$0.14822/kWh	\$0.14822/kWh	\$0.14822/kWh	
	Melrose Basic (optional)	meets minimum MA Class I requirements	\$0.11172/kWh	\$0.11172/kWh	\$0.11172/kWh	
What You Have Now	National Grid Basic Service (as filed on 9/23/2022)	meets minimum MA Class I requirements	\$0.33891/kWh	\$0.32287/kWh	NEMA/BOST \$0.28736/kWh	November 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023 Residential and Commercial* November 1, 2022 - January 31, 2023 Large C&I*

***No guarantee of savings.** National Grid Basic Service rates for electric supply change every six months for Residential and Commercial customers, and every three months for Large Commercial and Industrial customers. National Grid Basic Service rates may be above or below MCP rates for customers during any given period. Program prices could also increase as a result of a change in law that results in a direct material increase in costs during the term of the electric supply contract.

Rates indicated above are for Supply Services only. Commission fee for all MCP products is included in above rates. This fee is \$0.001/kWh for the aggregation consultant. Rates also include taxes which are billed as part of the power supply charge.

MCP PARTICIPATION

To enroll in the MCP Melrose Local Green product, you do not need to take any action. To enroll in an optional MCP product, contact the supplier, **Nextera Energy Services**, or use the online form at MCP.CityofMelrose.org. If you don't wish to participate, mail and postmark the enclosed opt-out card on or before **November 23, 2022** to avoid automatic enrollment in the MCP program.

Budget Plan or Eligible Low-Income delivery rate consumers will continue to receive those benefits from National Grid.

Solar Electricity Consumers will not be impacted and will continue to receive their net metering credits while participating in the Program.

Exit Terms for Basic Service: There is no penalty charge for leaving National Grid's Basic Service, however, Industrial customers (G-2 and G-3) may receive a reconciliation charge or credit. If you have already chosen a Green Power supply option on your own, you must opt out of this Program. This will ensure you continue to receive your electricity from that Green Power Supply.

You can leave the Program any time after you have enrolled, with no early termination fees. If you leave the Program, your account(s) will be returned to National Grid's Basic Service on the next available meter read.

How to access information about Basic Service: visit www.mass.gov/info-details/basic-service-information-and-rates, or call National Grid at (800) 322-3223.

If you are receiving electricity supply from a competitive supplier and believe you have received this opt-out letter in error, you must sign and return the enclosed opt-out card. This will ensure you continue to receive your electricity from that competitive supplier and prevent any possible early termination fees.

Tax-exempt small business customers must provide a copy of their Energy Exemption Certificate directly to Nextera Energy Services via email at Tax_Exemption_Forms@nexteraenergyservices.com, fax at (866) 372-4392, or mail at NextEra Energy, Attn: Commercial Sales Tax Exemptions, 20455 State Highway 249, Suite 200, Houston, TX 77070, in order to maintain their tax-exempt status.

CUSTOMER SUPPORT & MORE INFORMATION

For more information visit MCP.CityofMelrose.org, or call (888) 228-8238.

To select an optional MCP product, or to opt out of the Program, please contact **Nextera Energy Services** at (855) 639-8058, Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 6 PM EST, or by email at nesgovagg@nexteraenergyservices.com.

Opt-Out Reply Card



City of Melrose

Melrose Community Power

Account Number placeholder

Opt-Out Code placeholder

X

Signature

Date

Current Resident Name

1234 Main St

YourTown, MA 12345

If you wish to participate in the Melrose Community Power Program, you do not need to take any action. You will be automatically enrolled.

Opt-Out Instructions

If you do not want to participate:

1. Sign and date this card
2. Insert into postage pre-paid envelope
3. Mail envelope

The card must be signed by the customer of record whose name appears in the address on this card.

The envelope must be mailed and postmarked on or before November 23, 2022 to opt out of the Program before automatic enrollment.