



Village of Gurnee Green Electric Aggregation

History: Following the passage of a voter Referendum, the Village of Gurnee contracted to procure electric supply in bulk for residents and small business owners. The average participating Gurnee resident enjoyed savings on their ComEd bills for a number of years.

The Village is renewing the program with Chicago-based Eligo Energy IL, LLC wherein ratepayers will be charged exactly the ComEd rate and will enjoy the added benefit of 100% Green Energy via Midwest-generated Renewable Energy Certificates ("RECs") at zero added cost to ratepayers and the Village. The program term is for 12 months ending July 2021.

To learn how Renewable / Green Energy and RECs work, view this [video](#) clip prepared by the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

Background: The cost of serving each electric account varies greatly, based on usage patterns. Some ratepayer accounts will be switched to ComEd because the cost of generation exceeds the ComEd rate. Others will be switched to the new supplier, Eligo. All will pay exactly the same ComEd rate, including ComEd's monthly variable PEA component. Eligo will purchase green energy for the Village, on behalf of all ratepayers in the Gurnee Aggregation Community, whether moved to ComEd supply or to Eligo.

Notices will be mailed to residents and small businesses the last two weeks of May.

1. Ratepayers receiving a **Green Aggregation Notice** will automatically be switched with Eligo and will pay exactly the ComEd rate, including the monthly variable PEA, unless they opt out. They will receive a Confirmation of Switch Notice from ComEd in late June or early July.
2. Ratepayers receiving an **Informative-Only Notice** will remain at ComEd, and will pay exactly the ComEd rate, including the monthly variable PEA. Their account will not be switched to Eligo.
3. Ratepayers receiving a **ComEd Drop Notice** (this is a very small handful) are currently enrolled with aggregation supplier MC2, but will be moved back to ComEd. They need do nothing; are still considered a part of the program. In June or early July, they will receive a second letter from ComEd confirming their drop.
4. Ratepayers receiving an **Opt In Notice** will remain with the individual contract they have personally chosen, unless they choose to leave that supplier and take action to enroll with Eligo Energy.

Residents receiving the first three notices will be considered a member of the Gurnee Renewable Aggregation program, and their energy usage will be offset by 100% Renewable /Green Energy from renewable generation sources.

Program Benefits:

- Guaranteed at the ComEd rate, with no rate risk of paying more than ComEd
- No hidden fees, no additional monthly fee
- Maximum flexibility to join or leave the program, and never an enrollment or switch fee

- The Village earns designation as a US EPA Green Power Community, at zero cost
- Residents' power consumption is offset by Green Energy generated from renewable generation sources located in the Midwest, for zero cost
- The Village's Carbon footprint will be significantly reduced

No one from Eligo, ComEd, or the Village will ever visit your home or call you to enroll. If a solicitor claims to be the Village supplier, Eligo, or ComEd, take their information and report the incident to the ICC at www.icc.illinois.gov/complaints. Never reveal your ComEd account number or allow a solicitor to view your ComEd bill unless you are certain you wish to enroll with that supplier and have read all terms and conditions.

Electric Aggregation Program FAQs

1. How can I enroll?

During the initial three-week opt out period you need do nothing if you received an opt out notice; you will automatically be enrolled unless you opt out.

2. I am located within Gurnee, have switched to another Supplier, but would like to join. Can I do this?

Yes. Call Eligo at 630-468-0369 or email Gurnee@eligoenergy.com and provide your ComEd account number. Effective Jan 1, 2020, no supplier may charge a termination fee to switch.

3. What is the current ComEd rate?

The annualized base ComEd rate through May 2021 is 6.842¢ per kWh, and a monthly variable Purchased Electricity Adjustment (PEA), which can be up to +/- 0.5¢. For more information about the ComEd rate, visit pluginillinois.org.

4. Will I get two bills, one from ComEd and another from the new supplier?

No. ComEd continues to bill for electric supply, delivery and taxes. ComEd *delivers* Electricity, and will continue to bill you, but they no longer *supply* it.

5. If I am automatically enrolled, can I leave the program?

Yes. You will never be charged a termination fee.

6. I am enrolled in a low-income assistance program. Will I still receive those benefits?

If you currently receive assistance via PIPP or LIHEAP, your status will not be affected.

7. Does the program impact my ComEd budget billing or auto-payment plan?

No. The way you pay your ComEd bill does not change.

8. What happens if I move?

If you remain within the Village limits, call Eligo to re-enroll at your new address. Residents moving into the community may participate by calling 630-468-0369.

9. Is the energy generated from any renewable "green" energy sources?

Yes. RECs, which are the sole currency of the green energy market, will represent 100% of power consumed. They will be sourced from wind generators located in the Midwest.

The US EPA states that because power supply is provided to ratepayers from a massive grid shared across many communities, “There is no way to distinguish the exact source that your Electricity came from. RECs, the currency of the renewable energy market, allow you to claim that the Electricity you use came from a renewable resource with low or zero emissions.”

10. Why support renewable wind generation resources?

For the ten years ending 2017, coal-based generation in the US has been reduced 40% whereas wind-based generation has increased by 638%. Wind energy helps to reduce carbon footprint. This program achieves a strategic objective of the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Greenest Region Compact.

For specific questions about your own electric account, do not call Village Hall; call the Village of Gurnee’s aggregation program supplier Eligo Energy at 630-468-0369. If you require additional assistance, call the Village’s energy consultant, NIMEC at 800-727-3820 to leave your question and callback number. You will be contacted by NIMEC within 24 hours regarding the issue. You may also email sdurling@NIMEC.net with your specific question.

The Illinois Commerce Commission provides additional information about energy deregulation in Illinois and energy supply choices at www.pluginillinois.org. To report an electrical outage, or for questions pertaining to your ComEd bill, always call ComEd at 800-334-7661.

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