



NORTH SHORE LIFE  
LAKE BLUFF STYLE

April 15, 2015

**RE: IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM THE VILLAGE OF LAKE BLUFF REGARDING CHANGES TO THE VILLAGE'S ELECTRICAL AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

Dear Village of Lake Bluff Residents and Small Business Owners:

In early 2012 the Village of Lake Bluff ("*Village*") voters approved a referendum authorizing the Village to engage in electricity aggregation services. In order to acquire competitive electricity supply pricing for residents and small businesses, the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium ("*Consortium*") was formed. After a competitive bidding process, each Consortium community entered into a three year contract with MC Squared Energy Services which began June 2012. The contract with MC Squared Energy Services is set to expire following the May 2015 meter reading. The three year contract with MC Squared is anticipated to have saved the Village's participating customers a total of more than \$1.1 million, with total anticipated aggregate savings across all Consortium communities of \$36.5 million over the ComEd default tariff service rate.

In anticipation of the expiration of the MC Squared contract, the Consortium held a competitive bidding process in November 2014 to obtain a successor electricity aggregation contract. Constellation/Integrus Energy submitted the most competitive bid. As a result, the Cities of Highland Park and Lake Forest, and the Villages of Deerfield, Glencoe, Lake Bluff, Northbrook, and Skokie entered into a two year electricity supply contract with Constellation/Integrus Energy through May 2017.

The Consortium communities will begin obtaining market pricing for electricity in mid-April. **Residential and small business electricity supply accounts currently participating in the electricity aggregation program will be transitioned from MC Squared to ComEd beginning with the June 2015 meter reading until the Consortium communities lock in a price for electricity.** The lock in process relies on favorable electricity commodity market conditions. If pricing is unfavorable versus the ComEd default tariff service rate, the Consortium communities will not lock in a price, residents will stay with ComEd as their electricity supplier and the Consortium communities will obtain pricing at a later date should market conditions become favorable.

**In the coming weeks, electricity aggregation participants will be receiving a letter from ComEd stating that their supply account with MC Squared is being dropped and transitioned to ComEd. This transition will occur automatically and requires no action by residents or small business owners.** If the Village locks in a price under the new contract with Constellation/Integrus Energy, you will be receiving an opt-out letter from the Village giving you the opportunity to opt-out of the electricity aggregation program and remain with ComEd prior to the effective date of the locked-in rate.

Please note that the Consortium's electricity aggregation program allows residents and small businesses to opt-in with any Illinois Commerce Commission certified electricity supplier at any time should they choose to do so. Please be aware that the Village only provides support and assistance with the Consortium's electricity aggregation program through Constellation/Integrus Energy.

Should you have any questions regarding the electricity aggregation program, the upcoming transition from MC Squared to ComEd or about the new electricity aggregation contract with Constellation/Integrus Energy, please contact the Brandon Stanick, Asst. to the Village Administrator, at 847-283-6889, or Constellation/Integrus Energy directly, at 844-382-0433.

Best,

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Village President

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