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FOR THE

TOWN OF MILLBURY

MUNICIPAL AGGREGATION PLAN

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OUTLINE OF THE AGGREGATION PROGRAM

(Suggested outline for reading at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen)

Municipalities are authorized by Massachusetts General Law Chapter 164, Section 134(a) to aggregate the electric load of its residents and businesses.

At a Town Meeting on May 5, 2015 the residents of Millbury voted to authorize the Board of Selectmen to research, develop and implement an aggregation program and enter into a contract with a competitive supplier of electricity.

The objectives of the aggregation program are to:

- lower the cost of electricity;
- gain longer term price stability; and
- offer more renewable energy options.

The Board of Selectmen has selected an aggregation consultant, Good Energy, L.P., to:

- develop the aggregation program;
- formulate and implement a public outreach and education program;
- guide the aggregation plan through a very strict and comprehensive review and approval process with the Department of Energy Resources (DOER) and the Department of Public Utilities (DPU);
- develop a Request for Proposals for a competitive electricity supplier;
- monitor and manage the aggregation program during the term of the competitive supplier contract; and
- develop and submit all required reports to the Board of Selectmen and DOER.

An important element of the process leading to approval of the aggregation program of a municipality by the DPU is to allow for review of the municipal aggregation documents by its citizens. The municipal aggregation documents are available for review at our municipal offices and on our website.

In order to comply with the Municipal Aggregation Law, citizens will have a time period to submit written comments and an opportunity to offer oral comments at a public hearing.

The two (2) week period to submit written comments will be from December 22, 2015 to January 12, 2016.

The public hearing to offer oral comments will be held at a meeting of the Board of Selectmen on January 12, 2016.

This review by citizens must be completed before the municipal aggregation documents are submitted to the DPU for their review and approval.