

Important Change Regarding Your Electrical Supplier

In 2019, the City of DeKalb entered a 3-year Electrical Aggregation Contract with Dynegy Energy. The current contract is set to expire at the end of October 2021. Through Rock River Energy Services, the City recently solicited quotes from various energy suppliers to determine if there was any potential savings to residents by signing a new Electrical Aggregation Contract.

Six quotes were received with the two lowest quotes from AEP Energy (\$7.170 cents per Kw/h) and Dynegy (\$7.371 cents per Kw/h) over a one-year contract term. Both quotes were fixed rate quotes, meaning the rate would remain constant over the term of the agreement. By comparison, the ComEd rate is an adjustable rate and is currently \$7.301 cents per Kw/h. This rate is normally fixed from October through May of each year but may include minor adjustments. The rate for the summer months however (June - September), have historically been significantly less. As an example, the ComEd rate during the summer months of 2020 was \$6.776 cents per Kw/h.

Comparing ComEd's adjustable rate over a one-year period with quotes received from AEP and Dynegy for a fixed rate, it was determined that there would be no real savings to residents by entering into a new Electrical Aggregation Contract. In addition, staff evaluated both the option of a two and three-year term arrangement and concluded that a savings could not be guaranteed to residents by entering into such an agreement.

For this reason, the City of DeKalb has elected not to enter into a new Electrical Aggregation Contract. By default, residential electric service will transition from our current supplier Dynegy Energy to ComEd. Residents should begin receiving a letter from ComEd regarding this change. There should be no change in billing as all residential electricity service is currently billed through ComEd.

The City intends to solicit new quotes from energy suppliers next year and will determine at that time if there is a potential savings to our residents through Electrical Aggregation.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call 815-748-2050 or email bfaivre@cityofdekalb.com.