



November 13, 2018

## Great news!

### The City of White Plains is continuing its participation in the Westchester Power program!

Westchester Power, the community energy program run by local non-profit Sustainable Westchester, has successfully provided more than 90,000 Westchester residents and small businesses with low-cost, fixed rates for electricity supply since 2016. So far, the Westchester Power program has saved Westchester residents over 13.5 million dollars and offset more than 360,000 metric tons of carbon dioxide.

Beginning in 2019, there will be new rates and supply options. Here's the overview of what it means for you:

- Commercial customers will see their rates cut by approximately 20%!
- Residents in the renewable supply have also just had their rate lowered!
- Standard supply residential rates are still lower than the 2015 Con Edison benchmarks, and effectively the same as the last contract.
- Our renewable supply will now be New York qualified.

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Para acceder a nuestros servicios de traducción, llame a nuestras oficinas, al (914) 242-4725.

## Supply Options

There are two supply options under our program: renewable and standard.

- **100% Renewable Option:** Your total electricity supply is matched by New York State qualified hydropower Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs). (The previous contract used national wind RECs).
- **Standard Option:** Your electricity supply is a mixture of fossil fuels, nuclear, and some renewable energy.

The City of White Plains has chosen the 100% Renewable Option as the default. You be enrolled in this option unless you choose to switch or opt out.

You can switch between supply options by calling our office at (914) 242-4725 or visiting our website, [www.westchesterpower.org](http://www.westchesterpower.org), and filling out the appropriate form under "Energy Choices."

## Westchester Power Rates

Westchester Power has again secured rates that are lower than the average Con Edison supply rates over the preceding 12 months by organizing a competitive bidding process among energy supply companies (ESCOs).

- Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. was the lowest bidder for our 2019 bulk purchase and will be your new supplier, beginning on your first meter-read date after January 1, 2019.
- The new rate for your electricity supply will remain fixed until January 2021.

- The power lines that deliver your electricity remain the responsibility of Consolidated Edison, and they will continue to bill you in the exact same way. You will continue to contact Consolidated Edison in the event of any problem with your electricity service.

**Rates\***

Rate class	12-month Average Consolidated Edison Rate**	Standard Option	100% Renewable Option
Residential (EL1)	\$0.0826	\$0.07709	\$0.07959
Small Commercial (EL2)	\$0.0855	\$0.07709	\$0.07959

\* Rates do not include Gross Receipt Tax (GRT). If your municipality collects GRT, it will be added to these rates.

\*\*Based on the weighted average Consolidated Edison electricity supply rate from July 2017 to July 2018.

**Enrollment**

You will remain in the program unless you choose to opt out within 30 days of the postmark on this letter. If you choose to stay with us, your new rate will take effect beginning in January 2019. As always, you have the ability to opt out at any time with no penalties.

To opt out, you can:

Return the enclosed opt out postcard, OR call the Westchester Power office at (914) 242-4725, OR go to [www.westchesterpower.org](http://www.westchesterpower.org) and submit the Opt Out Form under "Energy Choices."

***What we've accomplished as of November 2018 ...***



***...thanks to our participating municipalities!***

City of New Rochelle  
 City of White Plains  
 Town of Bedford  
 Town of Greenburgh  
 Town of Lewisboro  
 Town of Mamaroneck  
 Town of New Castle  
 Town of North Salem

Town of Ossining  
 Town of Pound Ridge  
 Town of Somers  
 Village of Ardsley  
 Village of Croton-on-Hudson  
 Village of Hastings-on-Hudson  
 Village of Irvington  
 Village of Larchmont

Village of Mamaroneck  
 Village of Ossining  
 Village of Mount Kisco  
 Village of Pelham  
 Village of Pleasantville  
 Village of Rye Brook  
 Village of Sleepy Hollow  
 Village of Tarrytown

**Additional questions? Give our office a call at (914) 242-4725.**

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