# TOWN OF ROSEBOOM'S COMMUNITY CHOICE PROGRAM

The Town of Roseboom is a proud participant of Mohawk Valley Community Power, an energy program that provides our residents with cleaner and cheaper electricity.

By joining together with other communities to leverage the collective purchasing power of our residents and small businesses, we can negotiate better terms for electricity supply and community solar. Mohawk Valley Community Power is empowered by community choice aggregation, a NY State policy that enables the Town to determine our own default energy offerings, rather than accept the NY State and local utility default. The program comprises two separate offerings: Community Choice Electricity Supply and Community Choice Solar.

The electricity supply offering provides access to renewable electricity at lower prices with reduced volatility through a fixed rate contract. Community choice solar provides guaranteed electricity bill savings for participants in exchange for their support of new renewable generation without requiring them to install solar panels or sign a contract. Both offerings provide consumer protections, require no action by those eligible to participate, and benefits appear directly on monthly National Grid bills. The groundbreaking community choice solar program will be an important pillar in the NY State's Climate Action Plan.

While all eligible residents and small businesses are automatically enrolled, you can choose not to participate in one or both program offerings. National Grid continues to be responsible for electricity delivery, billing, and repair services for all utility account holders, regardless of their program participation.

### Benefits of community choice programs

- Consumer protection—fully-vetted and negotiated contracts
- No contract for individuals to sign; contracts are held at the municipal level
- No hassle—all eligible participants are automatically enrolled; no credit checks or signup process
- Consolidated billing—supply charges and solar discounts directly applied to monthly utility

#### Benefits of community choice electricity supply

- Lower rates due to competitive bids from electricity suppliers
- Price stability/no monthly price fluctuations due to fixed rate contracts
- Choice—the local authority designates the electricity supplier and chooses the mix of renewable versus standard supply

### Benefits of our community choice solar program

- Guaranteed annual savings on electricity
- Solar credits made possible by NY State incentives for renewable generation
- Reduced carbon emissions for NY State
- No rooftop panels required (available to homeowners, renters, small businesses)
- No maintenance costs
- No sign-up or cancellation fees
- Support the development of local renewable energy generation
- Raise money for local sustainability projects (\$50 per participant)

# **Questions?**

Please contact us with any questions about the program or any mailings you receive at 585-866-2500 or info@joulecommunitypower.com.