

## OFFICE OF THE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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## **Steve Summers, County Executive**

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

Date: May 31, 2023

Re: Champaign County's Municipal Electric Aggregation Program

From: County Executive Steve Summers

Residents in unincorporated Champaign County who are eligible to participate in the County's Municipal Electric Aggregation (MEA) program will receive letters from the County's supplier, Energy Harbor, at the end of May. Eligible residents will be enrolled in the program automatically unless they "opt-out" or choose a different supplier. If you want to opt out, directions will be provided in the letter. The opt-out deadline is June 16, 2023. If you want to participate in the County's program, no action is necessary.

The aggregation program does not guarantee savings but allows local governments to create a buying group of residential and small commercial retail electric accounts in order to seek bids to secure consistent pricing, and locks in rates for a period of time, typically up to 24 months. Residents can make informed decisions about their electric supply choices, including the current utility Price-to-Compare by visiting <a href="https://www.pluginillinois.org">www.ameren.com</a>.

Questions about the municipal aggregation program can be addressed by contacting Energy Harbor at (817)793-8921 or the County Executive's office at 217-384-3776 x2127. To view the County's rates and find out more about the program visit our aggregation page at <a href="https://www.co.champaign.il.us/HeaderMenu/pdfs/Municipal Electric Aggregation.pdf">https://www.co.champaign.il.us/HeaderMenu/pdfs/Municipal Electric Aggregation.pdf</a>.

No one affiliated with the aggregation program will come to your door to discuss, seek, or confirm enrollment.