



## Howell Energy Aggregation

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### ***December 2017 Program Update***

Howell Township launched the Howell Energy Aggregation (HEA) program several years ago for the purpose of creating a purchasing advantage and providing an opportunity for residents of the Township to save money on their electric bills.

The current contract with TriEagle Energy under the HEA program is ending this month (December 2017). With the approaching expiration of the contract through TriEagle Energy, the Township requested bids for a new contract. Those bids were recently accepted and compared to the JCP&L supply pricing. Based on that review, we have determined that there was no real savings for the Township residents and as a result, no contract was awarded.

Given that the current contract ends in December 2017, participating residents will be transitioned back to JCP&L effective with their December meter read. HEA-participating customers should have received letters notifying them that TriEagle is dropping their accounts effective with the December meter read. Those residents will now pay the same JCP&L tariff price that all other residents that don't have third-party supply pay, which is the same tariff price they would be paying had they never participated in the program. On your January bill from JCP&L, you will notice that TriEagle power supply charges will be replaced with a line item for JCP&L 'Basic Generation Service' power supply. *There is no action that a resident has to take and you will be seamlessly transitioned back to JCP&L power supply.*

The Township, in consultation with its energy consultant, will monitor the energy market over the winter and also monitor the results of JCP&L's annual wholesale power auction in early February to determine the future direction of the JCP&L tariff price for power supply. The Township will make a decision in February whether market conditions warrant taking new bids. If the results are better in a re-bid next Spring and a contract is awarded, all residents will be notified via direct mail. If you do not want to participate, you must opt-out of the program at that time.

We will post updates about the program if things change. Also please pay attention to the Council meeting agendas throughout the year for more information.

Thank you and have a great holiday season.