



NOPEC SIGNS ELECTRIC CONTRACT
Electric program to be reinstated as early as August 1.

Dear NOPEC Member Committee:

The members of Board of Directors of NOPEC are pleased to announce that NOPEC and GEXA Energy signed an agreement today to provide electricity to our member communities. The NOPEC program is expected to be reinstated as early as August 1.

GEXA Energy is part of FPL Group, Inc. (Florida Power and Light) and the agreement is the finalization of the letter of intent that was signed on September 1.

NOPEC has included all of its electric members' eligible customers in our contract with GEXA Energy.

The agreement calls for the specific NOPEC savings to be determined after the First Energy auction that will take place in May for the regular First Energy customers. It is currently projected that the savings will meet or exceed the 5% savings that NOPEC residential customers received from 2006-2008.

According to NOPEC Chairman Joseph Migliorini, "We are very pleased to have signed an agreement on behalf of all of the NOPEC communities in our nine county area, which will reinstate the savings we have enjoyed on electric generation in the past."

NOPEC, by statute, will have to provide opt-out notice to the customers in each community, to give customers an opportunity to opt-out of the program at no charge if they so desire. It is anticipated that the vast majority of the residents in Northeast Ohio will choose to remain in NOPEC for their electricity needs, as they have done in the past, as this program provides an opportunity for savings that residential customers could not otherwise receive.

According to Executive Director Leigh Herington, "We can thank the leadership of our NOPEC member communities for the efforts they put forward in helping the Governor, members of the Legislature, and the PUCO to understand the value of Governmental Aggregation and the need for its continuation in Ohio. That continuation is about to become a reality."

If you have any question about this new contract for electric supply in your community, please contact Leigh Herington at 440.248.1992.