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ORDER

Resolution Authorizing the City of Methuen Participation in Municipal Power Supply Aggregation and Adoption of the City's Updated Community Choice Program Aggregation Plan.

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts through the Massachusetts Electric Utility Act of 1997 provides cities and towns the option of pursuing public aggregation of power supply in advancing consumer interest in a competitive energy market and long-term more affordable rates for residents; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Methuen have a substantial economic and social interest in greater customer choice and long-term cost saving opportunities available through municipal power aggregation, particularly in a period of supply and price volatility in energy markets; and

WHEREAS, analysis indicates reactivation of Methuen's suspended Community Choice Power Supply Program could promote price stability and generate significant savings for Methuen residential and commercial/industrial ratepayers by providing a competitive alternative to the Basic Rate offered by the regional utility; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council that the City of Methuen hereby declares its intent to become an aggregator of electric power on behalf of its residential and business electricity customers pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 164, Section 134, and to reestablish the Methuen Community Choice Program through adoption of the City's Aggregation Plan and application to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities for all approvals and licenses required in plan implementation; and

FURTHER, Authorizes the Mayor to negotiate and enter into such contracts for power supply pursuant to the plan or services for such plan, with the understanding that if an aggregation power supply contract is executed, individual consumers would retain the option not to participate in the aggregation plan and, instead may opt to purchase any electricity supply alternatives available.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED that certified copies of this order be forwarded to both the Director of Economic and Community Development and the Chief Administrative and Financial Officer upon adoption.