



# Village of Green Oaks

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

In recent months, you may have heard about communities combining small businesses and households into buying groups to select alternative electric suppliers. The recent activity is the result of a legislative change that authorizes municipalities to aggregate residential and small business electric load, then negotiate an electricity supply rate as a community.

The Village Board of Green Oaks have thoroughly investigated various alternatives to reduce the cost of electricity, including municipal aggregation of residential electricity accounts. We have determined that the Clean Air Counts Energy Saving Program, with Integrys Energy Services as the supplier, can save our residents on the energy supply portion of their electric bill as compared to the ComEd rate.\*

Key provisions of the Program are:

- You will continue to receive one bill from ComEd and ComEd will continue to be your service provider, responding to maintenance, service and emergency issues.
- By enrolling in the program, residents can take advantage of a fixed rate offering running through your June 2013 billing cycle. As of the date of this letter, the fixed rate offered for this Program is \$0.061 per kWh, versus the current ComEd residential single family non-heating Price to Compare of \$0.07733 per kWh. Compared to ComEd's Price to Compare, that results in a savings of over 19%!\*
- Savings can begin as early as your next meter reading. (Rather than waiting until August 2012 to start saving with a municipal aggregation plan.)
- Clean Air Counts' mission is to improve air quality in the Chicago region. In the ESP, every resident who signs up receives four energy-saving CFLs, which will reduce need for fossil fuel-burning electrical generation plants. The less these plants are used, the fewer pollutants will be emitted into the air we all breathe. (Note: the Village of Green Oaks is an active member of Clean Air Counts).
- The effective price (for the average ComEd residential customer), taking into consideration the use of the CFLs, is **lower than any provider offering electricity today – 5.67¢/kWh.**
- The price you pay is guaranteed to never be greater than ComEd's price over the contract period. ESP is the only program to offer this guarantee. Please see Integrys Energy Services website at <http://www.integrysenergy.com/ESP> for full details of the offering.

You should be receiving your ComEd electric bill in the next few days, which will give you a chance to see where you can save with the Program. This Program offering should be compared to the sum of the Electricity Supply Charge and the Transmission Service Charge (currently equal to 7.733¢ per kWh) on your bill. If after reviewing the program terms, you choose to enroll, you have two straightforward options for signing up: go to <http://www.integrysenergy.com/ESP> and follow the prompts, or phone Integrys Energy Services toll-free at 1-888-688-1236 and ask about the current fixed rate for the Clean Air Counts Program. For both options, you will need your ComEd account number to sign up (located at the top of the ComEd bill). Participation in this Program is completely voluntary.

Sincerely,

*Bernard Wysocki*

Mayor of Green Oaks

\*ComEd's rates will change each June and October. A contract through your June 2013 meter read is required and there are fees for early termination. Savings result from a comparison of Integrys' current Price Match Fixed Rate for identified delivery classes for a term through the June 2013 meter read, as compared to ComEd's October 2011 to May 2012 Price to Compare. Integrys' fixed rate is subject to change at any time prior to contracting.