PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF CLEVELAND ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM PLAN OF OPERATION AND GOVERNANCE

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 4928.20(C) of the Ohio Revised Code, Cleveland City Council will hold two (2) separate Public Hearings on the Electric Aggregation Program Plan of Operation and Governance for the City of Cleveland.

The hearings will be on **Wednesday, May 31, 2023, at 5:00 pm**; and on **Thursday, June 1, 2023, at 4:00 pm**.

Both hearings will be held in-person at **Cleveland City Hall, 601 Lakeside Avenue**, in **Room 514**; both will be live-streamed to the Sustainable Cleveland YouTube channel.

The City of Cleveland is considering becoming a member of the Sustainable Ohio Public Energy Council (SOPEC), a regional council of governments under Chapter 167 of the Ohio Rev. Code. SOPEC provides energy services to member communities, political subdivisions, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, and public agencies. In preparation for taking this action, the City of Cleveland will be holding the two (2) Public Hearings referenced above to permit comments and questions regarding the SOPEC Electric Aggregation Program Plan of Operation and Governance. The SOPEC Electric Aggregation Program Plan of Operation and Governance describes the policies and procedures by which the government aggregation program will be carried out for electricity for eligible Cleveland residents and small commercial customers, including those policies and procedures related to rates and customer service. The SOPEC Electric Aggregation Program Plan of Operation and Governance addresses the following topics regarding the Electric Aggregation Program: (I) Introduction; (II) Description and Objectives of the Aggregation Program: Endorsement Program; (III) Goals of the Aggregation Program; (IV) Rates; (V) Steps for Communities during the Aggregation Program; (VI) Participation in the Aggregation Program: Endorsement Program; (VII) Notification of Opt-Out Aggregation Program Customers; (VIII) The City of Athens, Ohio Carbon Fee; (IX) Customer Service; (X) Customer Protections; (XI) Customer Complaints; (XII) Termination of Participation in the Opt-Out Aggregation Program; (XIII) Termination of Participation in the Opt-In Aggregation Program; (XIV) Organizational Structure and Organizational Structure Chart; (XV) Certification; (XVI) Aggregation Program Funding; and (XVII) Modification of the SOPEC's Plan. Copies of the Electric Aggregation Program Plan of Operation and Governance may be obtained at Cleveland City Hall, 1st floor, outside the Cleveland Public Library's Public Administration Library branch, as well as at the Circulation Desk (Vital Statistics), between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, as well as on the following website: https://www.sustainablecleveland.org/communitychoiceaggregation.