

# COMMUNITY CHOICE AGGREGATION

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1. CCA allows local governments to procure energy supply on behalf of their residents, businesses and municipal accounts **from a provider other than the utility's default provider**

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2. A municipality enters into contracts with Energy Service Companies (ESCOs) for power supply options for all residents and businesses within its jurisdiction

- Green product (100% renewable), brown product (non-renewable) or a blend

**Individual customers are given full discretion over which option they choose to purchase**

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**3. CCA enables municipalities to procure electricity from sources that they can choose on behalf of CCA customers**

- The utility continues to deliver power to all customers through the existing grid
- Utility transmission & distribution costs will not increase as a result of a municipality establishing a CCA program

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## **4. The municipality selects a default power supply**

- CCA customers can choose to purchase the default supply or another power supply option provided through the CCA
- CCA has the potential to provide power at a lower cost than the utility, and rate stabilization through extended contracts

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## 5. CCA is an **opt-out program**

- Customers are auto-enrolled but can **opt-out at any time with no penalty**
- Customers will receive an opt-out letter detailing the CCA program, the options available to them through the CCA (including rates), and instructions for the opt-out process.

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6. Municipalities may hire a CCA Administrator to oversee and manage their program

- **The Administrator is responsible for program organization, administration, procurement, and communications**
- CCA administrator's fees are built into the energy pricing offered by the ESCOs

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7. 61 municipalities in New York State receive energy supply through CCA programs

- **38 of which offer a 100% renewable power product as their default supply**
- CCAs that include a green power option help to **increase supply of renewable energy** and can drive the development of distributed energy resources



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8. CCA can also offer programs that can provide **discounts and incentives** on products and services exclusively to its participants

- electric vehicles, solar panels, energy efficient heating/cooling equipment, and more

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9. Municipalities first hold a **public hearing** and adopt **authorizing legislation**

- Municipalities may discontinue the process of establishing a CCA at any time prior to entering into supply contracts with ESCOs at no cost or penalty

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- In 2016 the New York State Public Service Commission (PSC) issued an Order authorizing CCA programs in New York and establishing the framework that all CCA's must follow
  - PSC Order applied to investor owned utility service territories only
  - CCA programs are not permitted to be established on Long Island without LIPA approval
  - **LIPA is considering allowing CCA programs on Long Island**

# PATHWAY TO CCA

1. Adopt Authorizing Legislation
2. Select CCA Administrator
3. Implementation Plan
4. Outreach And Education
5. Request Data
6. Issue Competitive Bid For Energy Supplier
7. Contracts