

## **Town of Shutesbury Municipal Aggregation Approval Timeline – "Where We've Been"**

- Town Meeting (June 3, 2023)
  - Approved Article 3 by which the Town declared its intent to become an aggregator of electricity
- Consultant Agreement (June 25, 2024)
  - Signed a consultant agreement with CPG
- DOER Consultation (October 11, 2024)
  - Conducted meeting with the Town, CPG and the DOER to review the processes, consequences and outcomes of municipal aggregation
  - Discussed DOER Recommended Best Practices for Advancing Clean Energy in Municipal Aggregation Plans
- Public Review & Comment Period (February 3 March 7, 2025)
  - o Posted the Aggregation Plan for public review and comment
- Aggregation Plan Approved (April 8, 2025)
  - Select Board voted to approve the Aggregation Plan
- DPU Submission & Order
  - Filed the Town's Petition with the DPU seeking approval of its Aggregation Plan (May 28, 2025)
  - Conducted required public hearing (July 16, 2025)
  - DPU approved the Aggregation Plan, which allows the Town to go out in the competitive marketplace and solicit pricing for its residents (August 25, 2025)

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## Town of Shutesbury Municipal Aggregation <u>Procurement & Outreach – "Where We're Going"</u>

- Supply Bidding
  - o RFP developed and distributed by CPG (August 25, 2025)
  - CPG provides Town with indicative/executable pricing for program launch (*December 2025 meter read start*)
  - o Bids received and reviewed with Town (September 9-22, 2025)
  - o Town chooses supplier, or rejects bids (September 22, 2025)
- Public Information/Customer Notification
  - Statutory customer notification letters sent by supplier to all Basic Service accounts (mid-October; 30 day opt-out period)
  - Informational postcard mailed to accounts on third-party supply
  - o CPG provided press release issued upon Town approval
  - Informational meetings
  - o Local cable programs, if any
  - Social media content, if applicable, provided by CPG
- Implementation
  - CPG manages opt-out process and all public requests for information and questions
- Ongoing Service
  - CPG manages future opt-outs and opt-ins
  - o CPG files required reports
  - o CPG manages ongoing requests for information
  - o CPG conducts regular meetings with Town as required/requested

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