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An Order to authorize the City's municipal electricity aggregation consultant Colonial Power Group Inc. to advance the *City of Amesbury Community Choice Power Supply Aggregation Plan*, henceforth referred to as the Aggregation Plan, to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) for the DPU's required consideration and approval.

Summary: This order authorizes the City's aggregation implementation consultant Colonial Power Group, Inc., with whom the City has contracted consultancy on the Aggregation Plan and its implementation, to work on behalf of the City to advance the Aggregation Plan to the DPU for required consideration and approval.

Whereas, the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) must approve a municipality's Aggregation Plan before the Aggregation Plan can be implemented. The Aggregation Plan contains the needed information on the structure, operations, services, funding, and policies as required by the DPU. Colonial Power Group, Inc. has created similar Aggregation Plans, and advanced them through the DPU approval process, for dozens of Massachusetts communities, including Newburyport, Salisbury, and Haverhill.

Whereas, the City of Amesbury has developed the Aggregation Plan in coordination with the City's aggregation implementation consultant Colonial Power Group, Inc. (<https://colonialpowergroup.com>) and the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources (DOER) in compliance with Massachusetts law [M.G.L c. 164, section 134](#) regarding public aggregation of electricity consumers for municipalities in the Commonwealth.

Whereas, the City, in advancing the Aggregation Plan, seeks to take greater control of its energy options, including the ability to pursue price stability, consumer savings opportunities, consumer protections against competitive supplier claims, and the amount of renewable energy procured for its residents and businesses, noting that while cost savings to plan participants can reasonably be anticipated, they are not guaranteed.

Whereas, this order strengthens an earlier authorization made by the City to initiate a program to aggregate the electricity load of the residents and businesses in the City of Amesbury passed with bill 2016-049 on June 14, 2016.

Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Amesbury assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows: The Amesbury City Council authorizes the City's municipal electricity aggregation consultant Colonial Power Group Inc. to advance the *City of Amesbury Community Choice Power Supply Aggregation Plan*, referred to as the Aggregation Plan, to the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) for the DPU's consideration and approval.