

WHAT IS THE GREEN CHOICE IDEA?

BMLD has urbanized a new program, **GREEN CHOICE**, which offers residents with a convenient and suitable way to maintain renewable energy as a power source electricity generation.

In our region, traditional power plants rely greatly on fossil fuels such as natural gas, oil and coal. These fuels generate considerable environmental pollutants, which is an addition to being subject to unstable costs and supply issues.

The **GREEN CHOICE** Program financially permits you to support power plants fueled by renewable sources of energy such as solar, wind, geothermal, biogas and biomass.



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BEING GREEN IS MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER! NOW YOU CAN MAKE THE **GREEN CHOICE** WITH BMLD.



It begins with a choice - make it a GREEN one

You now have the option to make a choice that would benefit the environment by being a participant in BMLD's **GREEN CHOICE Program**.

This program is a simple and affordable way to support and sustain electricity production from renewable energy sources such as wind, solar, hydro, geothermal, biogas and biomass.

The GREEN CHOICE Idea All customers that receive service under BMLD rates are available to make the **GREEN CHOICE**. The participation for this program is completely voluntary.

Those who choose to make the **GREEN CHOICE** pay as little as \$6 each month to sustain and support the production of



100 kilowatt-hours from renewable energy sources in New England. Each block of 100-kilowatt-hours costs \$6, and you may buy as many blocks as you wish.

The **GREEN CHOICE** cost is an additional charge on your monthly bill. By giving a 30 days' notice, you may end your participation at any time.

Does this make my power become green? You will be guaranteed that renewable energy is added to the New England's power grid, when you make the **GREEN CHOICE**. However, it is physically impossible to differentiate and transport energy to *specific* businesses and homes.

The **GREEN CHOICE** rate will be used to purchase Renewable Energy Certificates, aka REC's. One REC represents 1 MWh of energy produced from renewable resources. The Massachusetts REC's, that BMLD will be purchasing, do not recognize hydro as a renewable resource. By selling REC's, the electricity market has provided a mechanism for pricing renewable energy generation above the market energy value of conventional sources.

How do I Sign up for GREEN CHOICE? Please complete the attached form and **mail directly to BMLD at 40 Prince Street** or contact a BMLD Customer Specialists for the complete **GREEN CHOICE** filed rate and all Terms & Conditions for service.

Sign up for BMLD's GREEN CHOICE Program

Electric account number

Print Your Name As It Appears On The Bill

Street Address

Signature

Daytime Phone

Please select the number of **GREEN CHOICE** kilowatt hours (kWh) you would like to support. The additional charge will appear on your monthly bill.

\$6 for 100 kWh \$18 for 300 kWh \$30 for 500 kWh

\$12 for 200 kWh \$24 for 400 kWh \$36 for 600 kWh

Note: An average residential home uses 600 kWh per month in electricity. Until further written notice, the above signature authorizes its successors and/or assigns to add \$6 per block on my electric bill, as directed above.

Please do NOT include this sign-up form with your bill.