



## SmartEnergy – Maine Terms of Service for Residential and Small Non-Residential Customers

1. **Agreement to Purchase Electricity.** SmartEnergy Holdings, LLC (“SmartEnergy”), [www.smartenergy.com](http://www.smartenergy.com), is a **Competitive Electricity Provider (CEP)**, registered with the **Maine Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”)** to offer and supply electric generation services to residential and small non-residential customers in the State of Maine. **SmartEnergy’s electric service license number is 00178.** Subject to acceptance by SmartEnergy and your transmission and distribution utility (“Utility”), you agree to purchase, and SmartEnergy agrees to supply, all of your electricity, as delivered to you by your Utility under the terms and conditions set forth in this document (the “Terms of Service”). SmartEnergy will be supplying the generation portion of your electricity, and your Utility will continue to provide the distribution services. As used herein, the words “we”, “us” and “our” refer to SmartEnergy, and the words “you” and “your” refer to the Customer. Your termination of standard offer service may require the payment of a fee, as required by Chapter 301 of the Commission’s rules. This is a regulatory fee, and it is not imposed by competitive electricity providers. You are encouraged to review the applicability of Chapter 301 in advance of accepting service from a competitive electricity provider.

2. **Agreement and Term.** The Terms of Service, Enrollment Form, Internet Enrollment Form, Telephone Verification Recording, Customer Disclosure Statement and Welcome Letter shall be referred to collectively as the “Agreement”. The Customer Disclosure Statement specifies the product type (fixed rate, variable rate) and the term that applies to your Agreement with SmartEnergy. Only applicable sections that describe your specific product type will apply to your Agreement. The term of your Agreement begins with the next available meter reading after processing of your enrollment by your Utility and SmartEnergy, and continues for the term as set forth at the time of enrollment and confirmed in the Welcome Letter and Customer Disclosure Statement, unless earlier terminated by you or SmartEnergy in accordance with

the terms of this Agreement.

a. If you enrolled in a residential fixed-rate plan, SmartEnergy will send you two (2) renewal notices between thirty (30) and sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the fixed price period with an offer to renew for another term or will notify you that service with SmartEnergy will terminate at the end of term. The renewal notices will inform you of any renewal terms, including a summary (Customer Disclosure Statement) of any new or altered terms, and of the option not to accept the renewal offer. The pricing for SmartEnergy’s offer to renew will not be greater than twenty percent (20%) or above the rate in the expiring plan or be greater than the fixed rate being offered by SmartEnergy to customers enrolling for an initial contract of a similar term and product offering, at the time of contract renewal. The term of the offer to renew will have the same term length. Unless you select another SmartEnergy product, terminate or transfer service within 10 days of such notice, the renewal offer will be deemed accepted by you and your electricity supply with SmartEnergy will continue under the rates described in the 30-day Renewal Notice, as determined by SmartEnergy.

b. If you enrolled in a non-residential fixed-rate plan, your Agreement will automatically continue on a month-to-month basis, and at the expiration of the fixed rate period will automatically continue on month-to-month basis, unless earlier terminated by you or SmartEnergy in accordance with the terms of this Agreement except that the price each month will be SmartEnergy’s then-current Non-indexed variable rate. SmartEnergy will send you two (2) renewal notices between thirty (30) and sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of the fixed price period. The renewal notices will inform you of the renewal terms, including a summary (Customer Disclosure Statement) of any new or altered terms, and of the option not to accept the renewal offer.

c. If you enrolled in a variable-rate plan, your Agreement will continue on a month-to-month basis, unless terminated by you or SmartEnergy in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.

3. **Right to Cancel.** If you enrolled with SmartEnergy online, you will have 5 days to reverse

or "rescind" your decision. If you enrolled via any other channel, and the Terms of Service are delivered to you via U.S. Mail, you can reverse or "rescind" your decision within eight (8) days from the date of the Terms of Service being mailed. You can rescind orally by calling SmartEnergy at 1-800-443-4440 (toll-free) Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. E.T., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. E.T.; by email at [customer.care@smartenergy.com](mailto:customer.care@smartenergy.com); or in writing to SmartEnergy Holdings, LLC, 74 W Broad Street, Suite 530, Bethlehem, PA 18018. An Agreement for electric generation services shall not be legally binding until the rescission period has expired, and you have not, directly or indirectly, rescinded your selection of SmartEnergy. SmartEnergy will not submit your enrollment request to the Utility until this rescission period has expired.

4. **Relocation.** You are required to provide notice to SmartEnergy if you relocate. If you relocate, a final reading will be made at your old address, and your account with both the Utility and SmartEnergy will be terminated. You will be obligated to pay for the electricity supply service provided through the date the termination due to relocation becomes effective, including without limitation, any applicable Utility fees or charges. If you relocate within your Utility's service territory, you may be able to enter into a new electricity supply agreement with SmartEnergy.

5. **Disconnection of Service.** Only your Utility has the ability to disconnect your service. Failure to make full payment of Utility charges may result in you being disconnected in accordance with your Utility's tariff.

6. **Pricing.** You have enrolled either in a fixed-rate plan or a variable-rate plan as set forth at the time of enrollment and confirmed in the Welcome Letter or the Customer Disclosure Statement. Fixed rates and variable rates, if applicable, will be determined as follows:

a. **Fixed Rate.** If you enrolled in a fixed-rate plan, the fixed rate per kilowatt-hour ("kWh") will be as indicated in the Welcome Letter or the Customer Disclosure Statement. The fixed rate will be multiplied by the amount of electricity you use in the billing cycle

to determine the generation portion of your bill, plus any applicable fees, charges or taxes.

b. **Non-indexed Variable Rate.** If you enrolled in a variable rate plan, the variable rate per kWh for the first month will be as indicated in the Welcome Letter or the Customer Disclosure Statement. Thereafter, or if your Agreement converts to a variable-rate plan, the rate for electricity will be a variable rate that may be higher or lower each month, will be set in SmartEnergy's sole discretion, and are not based on a market or index price. SmartEnergy typically considers some or all of the following factors when setting its variable rates:

- publicly available competitor pricing;
- strategic business objectives;
- customer retention or attrition;
- market volatility or uncertainty;
- anticipated customer usage;
- the cost of procuring power including wholesale prices, any ancillary service costs, capacity auctions, utility fees, and transmission and distribution losses;
- weather, supply congestion and infrastructure issues;
- legal or regulatory issues; and
- profit margin.

This list of factors is not exhaustive, and no single factor will determine the rate. Some factors may be estimated or projected, and the factors SmartEnergy considers may be weighed differently each month. SmartEnergy may spread sudden cost increases over multiple billing cycles so that its customers do not bear the burden of such increases in a single month. In addition, SmartEnergy seeks to acquire the majority of its anticipated electricity supply in advance rather than from the spot market. For all of these reasons, the variable rate may not correlate with changes in wholesale market prices, with the Utility's rate or with other suppliers' rates. The variable rate assigned to any particular individual account may vary from the rate assigned to any other particular individual account, even though such accounts may be in the same utility rate class. YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE A NOTICE OF THE UPCOMING VARIABLE RATE; UNLESS YOU CONTACT SMARTENERGY, YOU WILL NOT KNOW THE RATE UNTIL TIME OF BILLING. To access

current, available future and highest and lowest historical rates over the preceding 12 months, contact one of our customer care representatives at 1-800-443-4440 (toll-free) Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. E.T., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. E.T., or visit our website [www.smartenergy.com](http://www.smartenergy.com). THERE IS NO LIMIT ON HOW MUCH THE RATE MAY CHANGE FROM ONE BILLING CYCLE TO THE NEXT. THE RATE CAN CHANGE EACH BILLING PERIOD.

c. Depending on the product and plan that you select, you may be billed a monthly customer charge, which if applicable, will be indicated in the Welcome Letter or the Customer Disclosure Statement.

d. For both fixed-rate and non-indexed variable-rate plans, **SmartEnergy**'s price does not include, and you will be billed by the **Utility** for, charges related to the delivery of electricity, including but not limited to, the price of transmission and distribution, the system benefits charge, stranded cost recovery charge, and taxes.

e. **SmartEnergy**'s prices may be higher or lower than your **Utility**'s rate in any given month.

f. If you accepted an offer from **SmartEnergy** that included an incentive to enroll, such as a month of free electricity or cash back, your incentive will be described in the Customer Disclosure Statement or Welcome Letter (or both). You must complete the instructions and comply with the terms and conditions on the form included with your Welcome Letter to receive the incentive. You must have an active account with **SmartEnergy** when we process the form in order to be eligible. If you have questions regarding the incentive, you may call **SmartEnergy** at 1-800-443-4440 (toll-free).

g. Historical pricing is not indicative of present or future pricing.

7. **Standard Offer Service.** The standard offer generation service is electric generation service provided to any electric consumer who does not obtain electric generation service from a **Competitive Electricity Provider (CEP)** or who has terminated service from a **CEP**. Maine's electric restructuring laws

allow retail electricity customers to purchase their electricity supply from a **CEP** or through standard-offer service. Electric customers that are not served by a **CEP** will automatically have their electricity supplied by standard-offer service. You may visit the **PUC**'s website at [www.maine.gov/mpuc/regulated-utilities/electricity/standard-offer-rates](http://www.maine.gov/mpuc/regulated-utilities/electricity/standard-offer-rates) to find and compare the rates offered by **SmartEnergy** and other **CEP** to the standard-offer service rate.

8. **Billing.** You will receive one bill from your **Utility** monthly, in which your **SmartEnergy** supply charges will be listed separately from your **Utility**'s delivery charges. Your **Utility** may or may not charge a fee for switching service to **SmartEnergy**. **SmartEnergy** may offer budget billing for the generation portion of the bill if permitted by your **Utility**. **SmartEnergy** does not require a deposit for its service. If at any time during the term of this Agreement your **Utility** does not provide consolidated billing for your account, you will be billed by **SmartEnergy** for any charges owed to **SmartEnergy**. In that case, you will be billed separately by your **Utility** for any taxes, distribution charges or other utility fees and charges. **SmartEnergy** will pass through to you all charges related to the collection of past due charges, including but not limited to, collection agency fees, legal and court fees and account termination fees.

9. **Payment.** Your payment is due by the date specified in your **Utility** bill, and late payments will be subject to interest at 1.5% per month or the highest amount allowable under applicable law, whichever is lower. The **Utility** will set your payment due date and the payment address.

10. **Credit Requirements.** **SmartEnergy** reserves the right to conduct a credit review prior to providing you with electricity supply service, and reserves the right to refuse you electricity supply service if you do not meet **SmartEnergy**'s credit standards. You agree to provide **SmartEnergy** with any information reasonably requested in order to complete the credit review. If, prior to commencing electricity supply service or at any time during the term of this Agreement, **SmartEnergy** has good faith concerns about your creditworthiness, **SmartEnergy** may conduct a credit review.

11. **Information Release Authorization.** By accepting these Terms of Service, you authorize **SmartEnergy** to obtain and review information regarding your credit history from credit reporting agencies and other information from your **Utility**, including but not limited to the following: account name, account number, billing address, service address, telephone number, standard offer service type, historical and future electricity usage, rate classification, public assistance status, meter readings, characteristics of electricity service and, when charges under this Agreement are included on your **Utility** bill, billing and payment information. This information may be used by **SmartEnergy** to determine whether it will commence and/or continue to provide electricity to you. Such information may be disclosed to a third-party if (a) required by law; (b) such disclosure is to a third party service provider under confidentiality obligations not to disclose such information and to use it solely for the purpose of providing services to us; (c) in connection with your electric generation service; and (d) to our affiliates and subcontractors for marketing purposes. Your acceptance of this Agreement is an authorization for the release of this information to **SmartEnergy**. This authorization will remain in effect during the term of this Agreement. You may rescind this authorization at any time by providing Notice thereof to **SmartEnergy** or calling 1-800-443-4440 (toll-free) Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. E.T., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. E.T. **SmartEnergy** reserves the right to cancel this Agreement on thirty (30) calendar days' Notice in the event you rescind such authorization.

12. **Early Termination.** You have the right to terminate this Agreement and change electric suppliers at any time with no advance notice, for any reason, without fees or penalties. To cancel, you may contact **SmartEnergy** by mail, telephone, or electronically at the contact information provided above. If you cancel this Agreement, you agree to pay for the electricity supplied by **SmartEnergy** through the date that another company begins to supply electricity to you. You are responsible for all charges incurred through the date that makes your cancellation effective and for any fees incurred by **SmartEnergy** in collecting any unpaid amounts due. If you switch back to your **Utility** you may or may not be served under the same rates, terms, and conditions that apply to other customers served by

your **Utility**.

13. **Events of Default.** An Event of Default shall mean: (i) failure to make any payment required under this Agreement when due; (ii) the failure to take electric supply when delivered under the terms of this Agreement; (iii) significant downgrading of your credit rating since the effective date of this Agreement, as determined by **SmartEnergy** in its sole discretion; (iv) if you file a petition or otherwise commence, authorize or acquiesce in the commencement of a proceeding or cause of action under any bankruptcy or similar law for the protection of creditors, or have such petition filed against you and such petition is not withdrawn or dismissed for twenty (20) days after such filing; or (v) you are unable to pay your debts as they are due and such inability is not cured within ten (10) days after **SmartEnergy** provides you with written Notice.

a. Remedy for Event of Default. **SmartEnergy** has the right to terminate this Agreement according to Section 14 below if an Event of Default by you occurs.

b. Collection of Past Due Charges. **SmartEnergy** will pass through to you all charges related to the collection of past due charges, including but not limited to, collection agency fees, legal and court fees and account termination fees.

14. **Termination of Service by SmartEnergy.** **SmartEnergy** may terminate electricity supply service to you for an Event of Default (defined in Section 13 above) by you, provided that **SmartEnergy** provides you with at least thirty (30) days' advance written Notice for you to cure the Event of Default before the termination is effective (the "Termination Notice"). If the Event of Default is not cured, the services will be terminated, and you will then receive electricity from your **Utility** or will be given the opportunity to choose a different electricity supplier. You will be responsible to pay for electricity consumed prior to termination. In addition, in the event of a change in applicable law or regulation that prevents or prohibits **SmartEnergy** from performing under the terms of this Agreement, or for any other reason, **SmartEnergy** reserves the right to terminate this Agreement by giving you at least thirty (30) days' advance written Notice. Upon any termination of this Agreement, you will return to receiving standard offer service from your **Utility** unless



you have selected another electricity supplier.

15. **Renewable Energy and Renewable Energy Credits.** If you have selected a renewable energy product from **SmartEnergy**, your rate includes an additional charge for the purchasing of Renewable Energy Certificates and the following provision applies: **SmartEnergy** will, either directly and/or through its affiliate(s), retire, on your behalf, non-certified Renewable Energy Credits ("RECs") resulting from electricity generated from renewable energy sources, which may include solar, wind, geothermal, biomass, biogas, or low-impact hydro, in an amount matching either all of your usage for a calendar year or the renewable content amount specified in your plan description. Each REC represents 1,000 kilowatt hours. You will not have electricity from a specific generation facility delivered directly to your meters; but, through this product, you can support generators of renewable energy that provide electricity to the electricity grid. Renewable energy source availability and generation varies hour-to-hour and from season-to-season, as does all customer electricity usage. **SmartEnergy** relies on regional system power from the grid to serve its customers' minute-by-minute consumption. But, through retirement of RECs by **SmartEnergy**, on behalf of customers, **SmartEnergy** will acquire enough RECs to match either all of your usage or the renewable content amount specified in your plan description. **SmartEnergy** may take up to six (6) months after the end of a calendar year to retire RECs needed to fulfill this product. **SmartEnergy** will not be liable to you or any other party for any advertising assertions related to this product including, without limitation, any claim or liability arising from a representation made as to the "green" or "carbon free" nature of the electricity or this product.

16. **Legal Notice.** All legal notice to be given hereunder ("Notice") will be in writing and delivered as specified in this Agreement to both you and **SmartEnergy**, as applicable, by certified mail or email to you at your service or email address, and to **SmartEnergy** at 74 W Broad Street, Suite 530, Bethlehem, PA 18018, or [customer.care@smartenergy.com](mailto:customer.care@smartenergy.com). Notice will be effective upon either confirmation of receipt by the person to whom it is addressed, or when delivery is confirmed by the carrier, whichever is earlier.

**SmartEnergy** will provide written notice to you between 30 and 60 calendar days in advance of any change in these Terms of Service. If you do not respond to the mailing, **SmartEnergy** may implement the changes described to your account.

17. **Miscellaneous.**

a. **Dispute Resolution.** You agree to contact **SmartEnergy** at 800-443-4440 (toll-free) Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. E.T., and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. E.T., or by mail addressed to **SmartEnergy Holdings, LLC**, 74 W Broad Street, Suite 530, Bethlehem, PA 18018, or by email at [customer.care@smartenergy.com](mailto:customer.care@smartenergy.com) regarding any questions, complaints or dispute related to this Agreement. You should contact your **Utility** in the event that an electric-related emergency, such as a power outage, exists. If your complaint is not resolved after you have called **SmartEnergy** and/or your **Utility**, or for general **Utility** information or information about your rights and responsibilities, residential and business customers may contact the **Commission** at 1-800-452-4699. You may also contact the **Commission** to obtain information on consumer protection rights.

b. **Emergencies and Customer Service.** In the event of an emergency such as a power failure or downed power line, contact your **Utility**: if your **Utility** is **Versant Power**, call 1-855-363-7211; **Central Maine Power**, call 1-800-750-400.

c. **Assignment.** You may not assign your rights or obligations under this Agreement without **SmartEnergy's** express written consent. **SmartEnergy** may sell, transfer, pledge, or assign the accounts, revenues, or proceeds due to it under this Agreement, and may also assign its interest in this Agreement to another electric supplier or other entity as permitted by law, in each case without your consent. **SmartEnergy** will provide you notice of assignment to the extent required by applicable law.

d. **Publicity.** When you provide a testimonial or win a contest, **SmartEnergy** shall be entitled to disclose and publicize your identity as a customer of **SmartEnergy** on its website and in any other marketing material.

e. Entire Agreement. This Agreement is the entire agreement between you and **SmartEnergy** and supersedes any prior written or verbal agreements. This Agreement is binding upon you and **SmartEnergy** and each of its respective successors and permitted legal assigns. This Agreement is not intended to benefit any third party.

f. Representations and Warranties, Limitation of Liability and Arbitration. The electricity supplied by **SmartEnergy** under this Agreement will be purchased from a variety of sources. SMARTENERGY MAKES NO REPRESENTATIONS OR WARRANTIES OTHER THAN THOSE EXPRESSLY SET FORTH IN THIS AGREEMENT, AND EXPRESSLY DISCLAIMS ALL OTHER WARRANTIES, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, INCLUDING ANY WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR USE. SMARTENERGY'S LIABILITY UNDER THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE LIMITED TO DIRECT, ACTUAL DAMAGES ONLY, WHICH WILL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF YOUR SINGLE LARGEST MONTHLY INVOICE DURING THE PRECEDING TWELVE (12) MONTHS. NEITHER SMARTENERGY NOR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR SUBCONTRACTORS SHALL BE LIABLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL, INCIDENTAL, INDIRECT, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE OR OTHER DAMAGES, REGARDLESS OF WHETHER SUCH DAMAGES ARE BASED ON A CLAIM RELATING TO CONTRACT, TORT, WARRANTY, NEGLIGENCE, STRICT LIABILITY, LOST PROFITS, BREACH, NON-PERFORMANCE OR ANY OTHER BASIS. YOU AND SMARTENERGY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO A JURY TRIAL IN CONNECTION WITH ANY DISPUTE ARISING OUT OF OR IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AGREEMENT. BOTH SMARTENERGY AND YOU AGREE NOT TO INITIATE OR BECOME A PARTY TO ANY CLASS ACTION SUIT OR PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

g. Arbitration. If your complaint or dispute is not resolved through contact with our customer service department, you agree to resolve those disputes through binding arbitration or small claims court instead of in courts of general jurisdiction. Any arbitration under this Agreement will take place on an individual basis; class arbitrations and class actions are not permitted.

Please visit [www.smartenergy.com/resolving-disputes](http://www.smartenergy.com/resolving-disputes) for the full terms and conditions that govern your agreement to resolve any disputes arising under this Agreement through binding arbitration or small claims court.

h. Force Majeure. **SmartEnergy** will make Non-Residentially reasonable efforts to provide electricity supply but does not guarantee continuous service. **SmartEnergy** is not responsible for power outages or other events outside its control that may prevent **SmartEnergy** from supplying electricity (collectively, "Force Majeure Events"), including without limitation, acts of God or governmental authority, accidents, labor disputes, required maintenance, your **Utility's** non-performance, including without limitation, an outage, or changes in laws of any governmental authority or any other cause beyond **SmartEnergy's** control. **SmartEnergy** shall not be liable to you for any interruptions caused by a Force Majeure Event.

i. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be construed under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Maine without regard to the application of its conflicts of law principles.

j. Non-Waiver; Severability. The failure by one party to require performance of any provision shall not affect that party's right to require performance at any time thereafter, nor shall a waiver of any subsequent breach or default of this Agreement constitute a waiver of any subsequent breach or default or a waiver of the provision itself. If any provision of this Agreement is held unenforceable, then such provision will be modified to reflect the parties' intention. All remaining provisions of this Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

k. Amendments. **SmartEnergy** may change, modify or amend this Agreement at any time (each a "Change"). Each Change will be made by **SmartEnergy** in the manner required by applicable law. Each Change will be posted on **SmartEnergy's** website ([www.smartenergy.com](http://www.smartenergy.com)), and you will receive individual notice of the Change if required by applicable law. You should review the website periodically for applicable Changes. Your continued use of **SmartEnergy's** products and services following a Change constitutes your acceptance of this Agreement

as so Changed.

18. **Environmental Disclosure.** An Environmental Disclosure Label specifying the approximate generation resource mix and environmental characteristics of the power supply being offered under this Agreement can be found on the **SmartEnergy** website at [www.smartenergy.com](http://www.smartenergy.com). **SmartEnergy** will provide a printed copy of the environmental disclosure information upon request and periodically to the extent required by applicable law.

19. **Electric Emergencies and Power Quality.** The **Utility** will continue to operate the electric transmission lines and to maintain responsibility for power outages and for power quality. You will hold **SmartEnergy** harmless in the event of a loss of power caused by any entity other than **SmartEnergy**. If you have an electrical emergency, power outage or reduction in power quality, you should contact your **Utility** at its telephone number for emergencies.

20. **National Do Not Call Registry.** To register your phone number on the National Do Not Call Registry, call 1-888-382-1222 or visit [www.donotcall.gov](http://www.donotcall.gov).