## RESOLUTION NO. 2018-125

## RESOLUTION OF COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

## RESOLUTION REJECTING PRICE PROPOSALS RECEIVED SEPTEMBER 5, 2018 FROM THIRD PARTY POWER SUPPLIERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE COLTS NECK COMMUNITY ENERGY AGGREGATION (CNCEA)-ROUND III PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Government Energy Aggregation Act of 2003 (PL. 2003, C24) governs the establishment of an government energy aggregation program, which is a government-operated purchasing cooperative through which multiple energy consumers join together for the purchase of electric utility services by a government aggregator; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities has promulgated rules (N.J.A.C. 14:4-6) for the implementation of government energy aggregation programs; and

WHEREAS, the Colts Neck Township Committee passed an ordinance dated October 30, 2013 (Ordinance No. 2013-16) authorizing the formation of a Government Energy Aggregation in the Township of Colts Neck New Jersey, named the Colts Neck Community Energy Aggregation ("CNCEA") Program, passed an Ordinance dated August 10, 2016 (Ordinance No. 2016-14) authorizing the continuation of the CNCEA program, and passed an Ordinance dated July 19, 2018 (Ordinance No. 2018-14) authorizing the continuation of the CNCEA program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Colts Neck Township Committee is acting as the Lead Agency of the Colts Neck Community Energy Aggregation; and

WHEREAS, the residents of Colts Neck Township are included in the CNCEA on an "opt-out" basis, as set forth in applicable rules (N.J.A.C. 14:4-6); and

WHEREAS, by virtue of Ordinance Nos. 2013-16, 2016-14 and 2018-14 and in accordance with New Jersey Board of Public Utilities rules (N.J.A.C. 14:4-6) and applicable law (PL. 2003, C24), Colts Neck Township is authorized to award a contract for electric generation service and government energy aggregation services on behalf of participating residential customers; and

WHEREAS, the Colts Neck Township Committee, in its capacity as Lead Agency, publicly noticed and issued on August 10, 2018 a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Provision of Electric Generation Service and Government Energy Aggregation Services for the third round of the Colts Neck Community Energy Aggregation (CNCEA-Round III) Program and has solicited proposals from qualified suppliers in New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the RFP provided for a two-stage process that included: Stage 1 for the submission of supplier questions and comments and the submission of qualification documents by interested, New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) -licensed electric power suppliers; and Stage 2 for the submission of price proposals; and

WHEREAS, the RFP provides for the submission of separate pricing for electric generation service for one bid group, 1) Participating Residential Accounts; for several different potential contract start dates, contract durations and contract provisions, and the RFP provides for the award of a contract at the discretion of Colts Neck Township and in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP; and

WHEREAS, during Stage 1 non-binding Notices of Intent and other qualification documents were received from two (2) NJBPU-licensed electric power suppliers; and

WHEREAS, a number of supplier questions and comments were received and, as a result, on August 23, 2018 an Addendum No.1 to the RFP was issued and distributed to all suppliers that had submitted a Notice of Intent to Bid; and

WHEREAS, Stage 2 price proposals and an accompanying Transmittal Letter were submitted by one NJBPU-licensed electric power suppliers by the 1:00 p.m. September 5, 2018 deadline set forth in the RFP; and

WHEREAS, the Colts Neck Township Committee, in consultation with its energy agent, has conducted extensive and in-depth evaluation of qualifications and analysis of price proposals, in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth in the RFP; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the evaluation of qualifications and proposals and analysis of price proposals submitted on September 5, 2018, the Colts Neck Township Committee has determined that no contract award shall be made at this time.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Colts Neck Township Committee hereby rejects all price proposals received on September 5, 2018 in connection with the CNCEA-Round III Program; and

**FURTHER RESOLVED** that the RFP shall be held open for a period of up to 120 days from the date of this resolution, and the Township may accept refreshed prices from pre-qualified suppliers at an appropriate time as determined by the Township and announced via an addendum to the RFP.

I, Beth Kara, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true and accurate copy of a Resolution passed by the Township Committee of the Township of Colts Neck during a regular meeting held on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018.

Beth Kara, Municipal Clerk

| RECORD OF VOTE                            |                             |     |    |    |    |
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| Committeeman                              | M S                         | Yes | No | NV | Ab |
| Mayor Bartolomeo                          |                             | X   |    |    |    |
| Deputy Mayor Orgo                         | M                           | X   |    |    |    |
| Rizzuto                                   | S                           | X   |    |    |    |
| Viola                                     |                             | X   |    |    |    |
| Macnow                                    |                             |     |    |    | X  |
| M - Moved S - Seconded X - indicates vote | NV - Not Voting Ab - Absent |     |    |    |    |