



# CVEC | Electric Cooperative

an intergovernmental partner for energy-related projects

	Annual kWh (millions)
CVEC 7 (7 projects)	0.85
R1 (8 projects, landfills)	19.80
R2 (7 projects)	13.60
R3 (7 projects BTM)	1.00
R4 (13 projects)	10.40
R5 (13 projects)	8.00
R6 (13 projects)	2.00
Total 74 Projects	5.65 MW
BESS (1 Project)	250 KW

# C V E C:

- Operates under MGL c. 164, § 136 and § 137, and offers MA government entities a more comprehensive way to procure and manage renewable energy projects.
- Provides project development, from procurement to COD, and then management over the life of the project.
- Offers municipal procurement and project expertise and the ability to bundle multiple projects for multiple towns/participants resulting in economies of scale.
  - The more projects, the lower the procurement costs because they are shared.
  - The number and quality of developer responses generally increases, especially when projects are relatively small.
- Is available to any MA government entity which can enter into an intergovernmental agreement or an energyrelated contract, generally.
  - Any municipality or county or political subdivision thereof, or body politic that meets the requirements IRS Code § 115 is eligible to apply for membership.

Cape & Vineyard Electrrc Cooperative, Inc.

**25 Members:** Aquinnah, Barnstable, Barnstable County, Bourne, Brewster, Cape Light Compact, Chatham, Chilmark, Dennis, Dukes County, Eastham, Edgartown, Falmouth, Harwich, Oak Bluffs, Orleans, Marion, Mashpee, Nantucket, Provincetown, Sandwich, Tisbury, Truro, West Tisbury, and Yarmouth.

**10 Governmental Participants** (to date): Cape Cod Gateway (former Barnstable) Airport, Barnstable Fire District, D-Y Regional School District, Harwich Water District, Monomoy Regional School District, Martha's Vineyard Airport, Nauset Regional School District, Cotuit-Osterville-Marston Mills Fire District, Sandwich Water District, and Upper Cape Regional Water District.

### Pronounced See-vec

Municipal Procurement Options for Solar and Storage

#### SMART + Net Metering or AOBC purchase for offtakers

G.L. c. 25A (regulated procurement by DOER w/ DCAMM Bidder Certification)

- IGA between CVEC and member/participant for Lease/construction rights
- EMS Agreement between CVEC and Developer for Sublease/construction rights and purchase of energy or credits
- IGA between CVEC and member/other governmental participant for resale of energy or credits

G.L. c. 30B, §16 (Requires local determinations, exemption for PPA §1(b)(33), OIG Oversight)

- IGA between CVEC and member/participant for Lease/construction rights
- Development Agreement between CVEC and Developer for Sublease/construction rights and purchase of energy or credits
- IGA between CVEC and member/other governmental participant for resale of energy or credits

#### SMART & Lease Payment Only

G.L. c. 25A (EMS)

- IGA between CVEC and member/ participant for Lease/construction rights, flow down of Lease payment from Developer
- EMS Agreement between CVEC and Developer for Sublease/construction rights, and Sublease payment
- G.L. c. 30B, §16 (Competitive process under Uniform Procurement Act and Town Meeting if lease 30+ years)
  - IGA between CVEC and member/participant for Lease/construction rights, flow down of Lease payment from Developer
  - Development Agreement between CVEC and Developer for Sublease/construction rights and Sublease payment

#### Intermunicipal Agreement

G.L. c. 40, § 4A

Another municipality with expertise must still follow a procurement process.

#### Net Metering Credits Only-No System

- G.L c. 30B, §1(b)(33) (requires reporting to DPU, DOE,& IG)
- Energy contracts for energy or energy-related services
- A procurement process is still required.

### SMART + Net Metering or AOBC purchase for offtakers

CVEC In lieu of G.L. c. 30B or G.L. c 25A G.L. c. 164, §137 (CVEC)

Option 1

- IGA between CVEC and member/ participant for for CVEC to resell the energy
- Lease between the member/participant host and Developer
- PPA between CVEC and the Developer
- [offtakers] IGA between CVEC and member/participant for resale of energy or credits

#### Option 2

- IGA between CVEC and member/ participant for resale of energy and lease rights/site access.
- Development Agreement between CVEC and Developer for sublease/construction rights and Purchase of energy or credits
- [offtakers] IGA between CVEC and member participant for resale of energy or credits

Option 3

- IGA for net metering credits from other CVEC systems
- IGA or energy-related services agreement to purchase NMC's from third-party projects between CVEC and a developer



Cape Cod Gateway Airport

Participation Fee ( non-refundable installments) A Project Participant may withdraw before a Phase begins for any reason

#### Phase 1 Project Evaluation

 CVEC conducts site visit, a makes a preliminary "go-no go" assessment: feasibility and financial analysis\*, interconnection evaluations, general building condition, other. (\* ownership analysis when warranted)

#### Phase 2 Request for Proposals

- CVEC prepares, issues and manages all aspects of the RFP
- A team of experienced staff, legal counsel and expert consultants ensure that procurements are well-planned and comprehensive.

#### Phase 3 Proposal/Developer Selection

• CVEC reviews the proposals, conducts an analysis, confers with the Host and makes a selection one or more developers.

#### Phase 4 Contract Execution

• CVEC negotiates and facilitates execution of Participant and Developer contracts which CVEC's attorneys have prepared.

CVEC's current procurement model

MGL c. 164, s. 137

A Participant shares RFP preparation, issuance, selection and contract preparation and negotiation costs with other Round participants.

No capital (or staff) outlay.

CVEC is delighted to be working the Massachusetts Wholesale Electric Corporation on Round 6 and other projects.

CVEC   Cape & Vineya	rd Electric	: Coopera	tive, Inc	1				FISCAL F	Y 23 ANN	UAL SYS	TEMS REP	ORT			Dated	9.5.23
								12-MON	ITH REPOR	RT with a	dditional	reports fo	or project	s with off	akers	
	Commercial Operation Date		Kwh /							Additional	System Net	Revenue	Net Benefit	Net Benefit	System Cost IF no solar	Metric Tons of
NET BENEFITS BY SYSTEM	or Status as of 8.30.23	Serivce Period	Service Period	NMC Value	PPA Rate	Average NMC value	PPA Cost	Last CVEC Admin Rate	Admin Costs	Project Costs, if nny	Revenue (Cost)	Share to Host, if any	for FTM Projects	for BTM Projects	(Est \$.19/kWh)	CO2 Equivalent
0///0.7										RECS to		RECS paid by		Est. \$0.28		
Repetable High School Poof	8 23 10	7 1 31-6 30 23	171.004		¢ (0.13450)		¢ (23.012)			\$ (4.570)	¢ (20.592)	¢ 4.570		¢ 24.894	\$ (32.508)	73.0
Bourne Middle School	4 30 10	7.1.31-6.30.23	185,669		\$ (0.13450)		\$ (24,972) \$ (24,972)			\$ (6,975)	\$ (27,302) \$ (31,947)	\$ 6,570		\$ 27,074	\$ (35,277	80.2
Brewster Eddy Elementary	7 16 10	7.1.31-6.30.23	122 466		\$ (0.13450)		\$ (16.472)			\$ (4 995)	\$ (21,467)	\$ 4,995		\$ 17.819	\$ (23,269)	52.9
Brewster Stoney Brook Elementary	7.16.10	7.1.31-6.30.23	132,442		\$ (0.13450)		\$ (17,813)			\$ (5,085)	\$ (22,898)	\$ 5.085		\$ 19,270	\$ (25,164)	57.2
Eastham DPW	2.25.10	7.1.31-6.30.23	97,352		\$ (0.13450)		\$ (13,094)			\$ (3,690)	\$ (16,784)	\$ 3,690		\$ 14,165	\$ (18,497)	42.1
Eastham Elementary	2.27.10	7.1.31-6.30.23	108,239		\$ (0.13450)		\$ (14,558)			\$ (4,635)	\$ (19,193)	\$ 4,635		\$ 15,749	\$ (20,565)	46.8
MRSD Harwich Elementary	7.22.10	7.1.31-6.30.23	138,098		\$ (0.13450)		\$ (18,574)			\$ (5,175)	\$ (23,749)	\$ 5,175		\$ 20,093	\$ (26,239)	59.7
ROUND 1										RE/PP Tax to Dev						
Barnstable Landfills 1&2	9.15.14	5.19.22-6.18.22	5,431,320	\$ 1,563,693	\$ (0.07290)	\$ 0.28770	\$ (395,943)			\$ (10,416)	\$ 1,157,334		\$ 1,157,334		\$ (1,031,951)	2,346.3
Brewster Landfill	9.29.14	6.7.22-7.6.23	1,605,900	\$ 454,111	\$ (0.07100)	\$ 0.28323	\$ (136,502)			\$ (16,528)	\$ 301,081		\$ 301,081		\$ (305,121'	693.7
Chatham Landfill	4.23.14	6.6.22-6.5.23	2,257,920	\$ 611,743	\$ (0.07170)	\$ 0.28698	\$ (156,782)			\$ (15,525)	\$ 439,436		\$ 439,436		\$ (429,005)	975.4
Eastham Landfill	6.6.14	6.2.22-6.1.23	752,580	\$ 210,055	\$ (0.07070)	\$ 0.28052	\$ (53,207)			\$ (8,602)	\$ 148,245	\$ 9,075	\$ 157,320		\$ (142,990)	325.1
Edgarrtown Katama Farms	6.6.14	6.28.22-7.27.23	1,495,260	\$ 441,732	\$ (0.09040)	\$ 0.29084	\$ (135,171)			\$ (6,441)	\$ 300,120		\$ 300,120		\$ (284,099)	646.0
Edgartown Nunnepog Landfill	8.1.14	6.21.22-6.20.23	1,438,380	\$ 461,692	\$ (0.09860)	\$ 0.28897	\$ (155,455)			\$ (4,527)	\$ 301,710	\$ 83,970	\$ 385,680		\$ (273,292)	621.4
Harwich Capped Landfill	7.29.14	6.8.22-6.7.23	5,963,400	\$ 1,691,870	\$ (0.07100)	\$ 0.28410	\$ (423,401)			\$ (59,299)	\$ 1,209,170	\$ 242,468	\$ 1,451,637		\$ (1,133,046)	2,576.2
Tisbury Capped Landfill	4.3.15	6.7.22-6.6.23	1,538,460	\$ 435,400	\$ (0.09130)	\$ 0.28318	\$ (140,461)			\$ (13,718)	\$ 281,221	\$ 18,050	\$ 299,272		\$ (292,307)	664.6

Over the life of the project, a Participant can rely on CVEC to administer the project; e.g., billing, contract/developer oversight. CVEC charges an administrative "adder" per kWh generated for monitoring the project contract terms (under a penny per kWh)



## The economics of a PPA or Lease?

# Or ownership?

Does a municipality need Net Metering Credits or Cash?

- Projects over 1MW are likely to receive the cash value of NMC from Eversource.
- The value of NMC varies monthly.
- A lease payment is fixed.
- Electricity usage varies annually.
- NMCs need to be monitored at least semi-annually.
- The developer lease offer is likely to drop when interest rates and/or the cost of equipment cost of equipment goes up (tax credits)
- The developer lease agreement is likely to include conditions for price changes before COD.

Does the municipality have land to Host a large-scale project and have offtakers?

Is the municipality committed to renewable energy regardless of cost?

- What are the incentives for solar?
- What are the incentives for storage?
  - Revenue streams include ISO-NE On-Peak Hours Resources, Connected Solutions, and Clean Peak. The facility is also eligible for Capacity Tag Savings.

Additional factors that can affect PPA and lease prices.

- Interconnection Costs
- Supply-chain availability and costs
- Location of system
- The impact of federal and state incentives

When a system is over 1 MW and the distribution company pays out the cash-value of NMCs, the PPA with the developer can be more valuable than a lease when the value of NMCs rise.

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23 H2 Whites Path, Suite 2, South Yarmouth, N	AA 02664 Tel 508	3.619.7691			FY 23				
System		Category		Service From		Service To		Report Date	
Harwich Landfill		Cash-Out w Ot	S	6.8.22		6.8.23		6.29.23	
System Totals									
kWh Service Period	Avg NMC R <mark>at</mark> e	Total NMC	Developer Rate/kWh	FY Developer Cost	Last CVEC Admin Rate	FY Admin Cost	(	Piscal Yr Benefit before Taxes	
5,963,400	\$ 0.28	\$ 1,691,869.66	(0.07100)	\$ (423,401.40)	\$-	\$-		\$ 1,268,468.26	
Host Benefits and Costs per Service	e Period								
	Percent	kWh	NMC Rate	NMC	Develop er Rate	Developer Cost	Revenue Share to Host	Net to (from) Host	
Host Benefits and Costs per Service Period	61.77%	3,683,592.18	1,045,067.89	\$ (261,535.04)	\$ -	\$(261,535.04)	\$ 242,467.71	\$ 1,026,000.55	
Offtaker Benefits and Costs (if app	licable)								
Fill in Ots if any. If none leave blank	Percent	kWh	NMC	Developer Cost	CVEC* Admin Cost	Revenue Share to Host	Total Costs	Net to (from) Participant	
Barnstable County	8.38%	499,732.92	\$141,778.68	\$ (35,481.04)	\$ -	\$ (53,148.82)	\$ (88,629.86)	\$ 53,148.82	
Brewster	5.15%	307,115.10	\$ 87,131.29	\$ (21,805.17)	\$ -	\$ (32,663.06)	\$ (54,468.23)	\$ 32,663.06	
Chatham	2.22%	132,387.48	\$ 37,559.51	\$ (9,399.51)	\$ -	\$ (14,080.00)	\$ (23,479.51)	\$ 14,080.00	
Chilmark	0.40%	23,853.60	\$ 6,767.48	\$ (1,693.61)	\$ -	\$ (2,536.94)	\$ (4,230.54)	\$ 2,536.94	
Dukes County	0.68%	40,551.12	\$ 11,504.71	\$ (2,879.13)	\$ -	\$ (4,312.79)	\$ (7,191.92)	\$ 4,312.79	
Oak Bluffs	2.56%	152,663.04	\$ 43,311.86	\$ (10,839.08)	\$ -	\$ (16,236.39)	\$ (27,075.47)	\$ 16,236.39	
Provincetown	6.65%	396,566.10	\$112,509.33	\$ (28,156.19)	\$ -	\$ (42,176.57)	\$ (70,332.76)	\$ 42,176.57	
Yarmouth	12.19%	726,938.46	\$206,238.91	\$ (51,612.63)	\$ -	\$ (77,313.14)	\$ (128,925.77)	\$ 77,313.14	
Total	38.23%	2,279,807.82	\$646,801.77	\$ (161,866.36)	\$ -	\$(242,467.71)	\$ (404,334.06)	\$ 242,467.71	
System Total	100.00%								

When a project issues the credit (not cash), CVEC assists by amending Schedule Z.

#### **EVERS©URCE**

Customer Name:	CVEC INC. ID 2189						
Account Number:	2927-722-0017						
Co/Rate:	70 / 6033 (G1 General)						
Credit A	llocation						
Amount Allocated to Others	\$32,660.54	100.00%					
Amount Host Keeps	\$0.00	0.00%					
Total	\$32,660.54	100.00%					
Allocatee Account # 1 1381-146-0016 2 1405-951-0017 3 1428-503-0012 4 1487-366-0014 5 1528-480-0016 6 1529-092-0014 7 1529-788-0013 8 1530-086-0010 9 1532-936-0018 10 1656-990-0018 11 2725-826-0010 1 2 3846 466 0010	Credit Amount \$757.72 \$251.48 \$581.35 \$1,384.80 \$669.13 \$13,733.84 \$45.72 \$5,780.91 \$290.67 \$4,033.57 \$78.38 \$73.84 \$578.24	Percentage 2.32% 0.77% 1.78% 4.24% 4.24% 0.14% 17.70% 0.89% 12.35% 0.24% 7.20%					
13 2880-967-0020	\$950.42	2.91%					
14 2909-081-0010	\$1,273.76	3.90%					
15 2949-748-0011	\$424.58	1.30%					

**Ownership?** 

### Does the municipality have the financing, collaborations, risk tolerance, and/or interest to own its own solar PV and/or storage? Is the PPA net energy price the driver, or is Net Zero goals?

The Inflation Reduction Act Until the Inflation Reduction Act introduced these new credit delivery mechanisms, governments, many types of taxexempt organizations, and even many businesses could not fully benefit from tax credits like those that incentivize clean energy construction. Baseline 30% DIRECT PAY earned by new solar electricity projects for solar and/or storage (stand-alone) and placed in service before 2033.

- Additional "bonus" credits
- Additional 10% "stackable" credits

#### **Economic Analysis**

- Value of Direct pay, offset by:
  - Insurance Costs
  - O&M Costs
  - Financing costs
  - Municipal capital planning and operations
  - Supply chain issues

Expert tax/financing/operations advice required

- MassDevelopment
- MMWEC
- Banks
- Other consultants

#### **Operational Analysis**

• Internal staff capacity and expertise in renewable projects

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- Value of collaborations, partnerships or contractors
- Availability and reliability of O&M staff
- Supply chain issues
- Project timing, phase-down results in reduced credits
- Evaluation of existing solar and storage and capacity
- Evaluation of capital priorities
- Infrastructure and Interconnections

# Challenges, and changes with the IRA

### Challenges:

- Fluctuating value of NMCs
- Availability and cost of repair parts
- Trained labor shortages
- Age of buildings
- Integration with plans (HVAC) for upgrades
- Availability of land/properties
- Access to property
- Utility Infrastructure Upgrades
- Interconnection Costs
- Insurance costs
- Availability and interest of financing partners
- Treasury's slow release of regulations

### Changes with the IRA:

The direct pay option requires CVEC and municipalities to make an economic analysis and an operational analysis regarding ownership.



Oak Bluffs Elementary School Roof & BESS



Nauset Regional Middle School Canopy & BESS

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