Dear City of Girard Business,

The City of Girard is providing you the opportunity to join with other businesses to save money on the electricity you use. Savings are possible through a concept called governmental aggregation, where City officials bring together citizens to gain group buying power for the purchase of electricity from a retail electric generation provider certified by the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio. Girard voters approved this program in May 2009.

There is no cost for enrollment and you will not be charged a switching fee. You do not need to do anything to participate. The City researched options for competitive electricity pricing for you. We have again chosen FirstEnergy Solutions Corp., a subsidiary of FirstEnergy Corp., to provide you with electric generation – or the competitive portion of your electric bill – through March 2012.

As a member of this aggregation, you are guaranteed to save 7 percent off your Price to Compare in 2009, 3 percent off in years 2010 and 2011 and 2 percent off January through March 2012. Your Price to Compare consists of bypassable generation and transmission related components, which are the charges associated with the costs for purchased power and to deliver the power through the transmission system.

To estimate what your savings per kilowatt-hour (KWH) will be through this program, locate your Price to Compare on your electric bill. Divide your Price to Compare by 100, then multiply by the percentage discounts listed above by year to determine your savings per KWH. Multiply that number by your total monthly usage. The final number is how much you can expect to save each month you use the same amount of electricity.

You will see your electric savings from FirstEnergy Solutions after your enrollment has been completed and your switch has been finalized – approximately 30 - 45 days depending upon your meter read date. Of course, you are not obligated to participate in the City of Girard's electric governmental aggregation program. If you wish to be excluded from the City's electric governmental aggregation program and remain a full-service customer of your local electric utility – Ohio Edison – you have until August 12, 2009 to return the attached "opt-out" form. If you do not opt out at this time, you will receive a notice at least every three years asking if you wish to remain in the program. If you leave the program at any other time, you could be subject to a \$50 cancellation fee from FirstEnergy Solutions.

After you become a participant in this governmental aggregation program, Ohio Edison will send you a letter confirming your selection of FirstEnergy Solutions as your electric generation provider. As required by law, this letter will inform you of your option to cancel your contract with FirstEnergy Solutions within seven days of its postmark. To remain in the City's governmental aggregation program, you don't need to take any action when this letter arrives.

In Ohio's electric environment, Ohio Edison will continue to maintain the system that transmits and delivers power to your business – no new poles or wires will be built by FirstEnergy Solutions. You will continue to receive a single, easy-to-read bill from your local electric utility with your FirstEnergy Solutions charges included. The only thing you'll notice is savings.

If you have any questions, please call FirstEnergy Solutions toll-free at 1-866-636-3749, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please do not call the City of Girard with aggregation program questions.

Sincerely,

City of Girard

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P.S. Return the opt-out form only if you <u>do not want</u> to participate in the City's electric governmental aggregation program.	
OPT-OUT FORM – CITY OF GIRARD BUSINESS ELECTRIC GOVERNMENTAL AGGREGATION	ON PROGRAM BUSINESS
By returning this signed form, you will be excluded from the businesses in the City of Girard's Electric Governmenta	
I wish to opt out of the City of Girard Electric Governmental Aggregation Program.	(Check box to opt out)
Service address (City, state and zip):	
Phone number:	
Account holder's signature:	_Date:

Mail by August 12, 2009 to: City of Girard Electric Governmental Aggregation Program, 341 White Pond Drive, Bldg. B-3, Akron, Ohio 44320