



Dear Village of Glen Carbon Resident:

On December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022, the Village of Glen Carbon's contract with Homefield Energy expired and a new contract was secured with a rate of 0.1210 cents per kilowatt with **Constellation NewEnergy beginning in February 2023**. Ameren Illinois is the provider in the interim, offering a rate of 0.12236 cents per kilowatt, and you have the option of staying with Ameren or transitioning to Constellation NewEnergy in February. *Please note: The Constellation NewEnergy bid was the lowest one available.*

Customers in Illinois are able to select a company other than the regulated utility to be their electric or gas supplier, and because of this, alternative energy companies are soliciting many of our local neighborhoods via door-to-door, phone calls, and public places like movie theaters and grocery stores. More information about solicitation permits and names of current door-to-door permit-holders can be found at <https://www.glencarbonil.gov/878/Solicitors>. Permits must be displayed at all times and must be presented upon request.

**PLEASE BE CAUTIOUS** when making a decision to switch or before signing a contract with a new energy supplier. Often, companies will promise reduced bills and perks to switch, but their prices can become inflated after a promotional rate expires or within their contract's hidden fees. Regulated utility companies will *never call you, ask for your account number or other personal information over the phone*. More information can be found on the Citizens Utility Board website at: <https://www.citizensutilityboard.org/blog/2017/10/17/beware-electricgas-scams/>.

If you feel the offer could be valid and you need more time to consider your options, legitimate companies will not pressure you into committing and won't mind if you need to call them back. Please contact Jamie Bowden, Village Administrator, at (618) 288-2614 if you have further questions. If you believe you may have been contacted by an energy supplier company without a permit, please contact the Village of Glen Carbon Police Department's non-emergency number at (618) 288-7226.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James F. Bowden".

James F. Bowden  
Village Administrator  
Village of Glen Carbon