



December 2, 2020

Dear Environment Committee, Energy Subcommittee, and GRC Communities,

Our next Environment Committee meeting is less than two weeks away.

Topic: Community Solar Clearinghouse Solutions (CS²) Program for Residents

Date: December 15, 2020

Time: 10:00 – 11:30 AM

Join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85423278440?pwd=ME5ObmdsL3ZEYktrd2N0OEcvVjBIZz09>

(There is no need to register. Please use the above link to join the meeting on Dec. 15.)




The Caucus has expanded its CS² program to allow municipalities to extend community solar subscription opportunities to their residents. Join us to learn about the Municipally Sponsored CS² Program for Residential Accounts piloted by the Village of Oak Park and the 6 communities of the North Shore Electricity Aggregation Consortium (NSEAC) and **consider being a part of the expansion of this program.**

Municipalities have earned residents' trust as credible advisors in electricity purchasing decisions through municipal aggregation programs that achieved savings for residential and small business customers. Municipalities can also have a unique leadership role in supporting the development of community solar in Illinois.

Leveraging the research and procurement efforts invested in the CS² program that created subscription opportunities for municipal electricity accounts, the Caucus, the Power Bureau, NSEAC, and MC Squared Energy Services have partnered to create a municipally sponsored community solar subscription program that offers residential customers fair and transparent terms and guaranteed cost savings. NSEAC members conducted outreach to their residents about CS² (see examples from Deerfield and Lake Bluff) and in just a few weeks, 700 residents signed up for community solar subscriptions facilitated by the Power Bureau and MC Squared. Additional communities are now invited to participate in the CS² Program for Residents.

Speakers from the Power Bureau, the City of Highland Park, the Village of Oak Park, and MC Squared will describe the CS² Program for Residents. An agenda will be provided prior to the meeting.

Thank you, and we hope to see you there!



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Related GRC Goal:

Advance renewable energy. Advanced strategy E+17: Collaborate to provide access to community solar.

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