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## **COLERAIN TOWNSHIP, DUKE ENERGY RETAIL OPEN ENROLLMENT IN ELECTRIC AGGREGATION PROGRAM**

CINCINNATI – Colerain Township and Duke Energy Retail announced today that they have agreed to offer a new enrollment opportunity under the current electric aggregation program for township residents and businesses through May 2014.

All eligible residents and businesses not currently enrolled as part of the electric aggregation and not served by another retail electric supplier now have a chance to enter at the same very favorable price and terms as were offered in early 2012 when Colerain Township and Duke Energy Retail first agreed on the aggregation program.

In recent weeks, a number of Colerain Township electric aggregation customers have been contacted by other retail suppliers to switch to them at a higher rate than Township officials and Duke Energy Retail provide.

“We are very pleased to continue to offer our constituents electric service at a price lower than any rate currently available from other suppliers and well below the current Duke Energy Ohio standard rate,” said Dennis Deters, Colerain Township Trustee President. “Residents should not be talked into switching away from the Township aggregation program. Calls and door-to-door visits are from other suppliers with higher rates, not Duke Energy Retail.”

Trustees Melinda Rinehart and Jeff Ritter joined Deters in negotiating the extension of the program.

Eligible Colerain customers will not have to take any action to participate in the program as they will be enrolled automatically. If they do not wish to enroll, they have been given instructions by letter from Colerain Township and Duke Energy Retail on how to opt out of participation.

“Approximately 17,000 Colerain residents and businesses took advantage of the original aggregation program, and we encourage others not to miss out on the tremendous value of this opportunity to save on their electric bills,” said Matt Walz, vice president, marketing, for Duke Energy Retail.

The aggregation program provides several benefits to electric customers:

- **Fixed Electricity Price** of 4.92¢/kWh through your May 2014 meter reading
- Provides **security** against electricity price fluctuations
- **One energy bill** from Duke Energy Ohio, your local utility
- **Electricity price will never change** for the term of this offer
- **Duke Energy Ohio** will continue to maintain the electric lines and respond to emergencies
- No termination fees.

#### ABOUT COLERAIN TOWNSHIP

Colerain Township is the second largest township in the state of Ohio encompassing 42.9 square miles while serving 58,499 residents. Colerain Township is located north of Cincinnati and is conveniently located off of two major interstates providing easy access to our residential and business communities. Learn more at [www.colerain.org](http://www.colerain.org).

#### ABOUT DUKE ENERGY RETAIL

Duke Energy Retail provides lower-cost, market-priced electricity and natural gas to residents, businesses and non-profit organizations throughout Ohio. Duke Energy Retail Sales, LLC is a Certified Retail Supplier of electricity and natural gas and is an affiliate of Duke Energy, Ohio, Inc., both of which are located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Learn more at [www.DukeEnergyRetail.com](http://www.DukeEnergyRetail.com).

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